IETS Innovation Workshop I: Bringing the In Vitro Produced Embryo to the Commercial Cattle Producer

October 15–16, 2012, Casa Monica Hotel, St. Augustine, Florida

PROGRAM

Each session will consist of two 30-minute lectures followed by a discussion where audience members can each bring up to two slides.

MONDAY, October 15, 2012

Session 1 (8:00 AM–10:00 AM) Commercial Uses of IVF
Sponsored by Pfizer Animal Health
Moderator: Matt Wheeler (University of Illinois)

Jeremy Block, Ovatech LLC (USA) – Improving Fertility

Fernando Di Croce, Pfizer Animal Genetics (USA) – Genetic Improvement

BREAK (10:00 AM–10:30 AM)

Session 2 (10:30 AM–12:30 PM) Improving Cryopreservation
Sponsored by PETS
Moderator: Patrick Blondin (L’Alliance Boviteq)

Kei Imai, National Livestock Breeding Center, Fukushima (Japan)

Mateus Sudano, UNESP, Botucatu (Brazil)

LUNCH (12:30 PM–2:00 PM, on your own)

Session 3 (2:00 PM–4:00 PM) Enhancing IVF Performance
Moderator: Moises Barceló-Fimbres (Minitube)

Patrick Blondin, L’Alliance Boviteq (Canada)

Marcelo Marcondes Seneda, Universidade Estadual de Londrina (Brazil)

Reception with Exhibitors (4:00 PM – 5:00 PM)

Group Photograph (5:00 PM)

Optional Reception on Matanzas Bay on board the Victory III (7:00 PM)
Sponsored by Pfizer Animal Health
TUESDAY, October 16, 2012

Session 4 (8:00 AM–10:00 AM) Managing the Oocyte Donor to Improve the Yield and Quality of Embryos from OPU  
Sponsored by Minitube  
Moderator: Pete Hansen (University of Florida)

Jim Ireland, Michigan State University (USA)  
Marc-Andre Sirard, Laval University (Canada)  

BREAK (10:00 AM–10:30 AM)

Session 5 (10:30 AM—12:30 PM) Think Tank: Setting Up an IVF-Based Embryo Program  
Moderator, Gabriel Bo (Instituto de Reproducción Animal Córdoba)

José Henrique Fortes Pontes, In Vitro Brasil (Brazil)  
Hong Wei, Transova (USA)  
Sybrand Merton, CRV (the Netherlands)

WEDNESDAY, October 17, 2012

Optional Tour of North Florida Holsteins (8:30 AM, return at ~6:00 PM)