

Ageing, Reproduction and Infertility

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Ageing and its impact on reproduction and fertility has become a major concern in Western Societies. The medical and social implications include declining fertility and:

- Decreasing implantation rates in ART
- Increasing miscarriage rates
- Increasing caesarean section rates
- Increasing obstetric disease
- Increasing congenital abnormalities
- Possible increased schizophrenia with older fathers

This symposium was designed to focus on the management of physiological problems of gametes and embryos relating to age and whether strategies for prevention might work.

OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of the program, the participant was able to:

- Identify the physiological basis of the effects of ageing in the ovary and the testes
- Determine the impact of aging on the incidence of infertility and the outcome of pregnancy
- Determine the management of infertility in the older female in light of basic science
- Analyze the social aspects of age related infertility and determine the possible strategies for prevention of this increasing health concern

ACCREDITATION

This symposium was approved by:

- The Royal Australian College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (RANZCOG) as a category A meeting and will earn 8 cognate points for attendance by college fellows
- The Royal Australian College of Physicians (RACP) as an Accredited Meeting. Registrants may claim 0.5 credit point per hour and presenters may claim 3 points for each of their presentations

