



President's Letter March 18, 2008

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Dear NAFA member,

As a new elected President of NAFA it is my ambition to try to invoke a renaissance of the organization. Besides the Annual meeting I have the vision of regular e-mails with information about upcoming conferences and courses with topics related to andrology. For example, these events are taking place this spring and summer:

1. **The NAFA Annual Meeting** takes place in Naantali (Åbo) in Finland May 2-6 in collaboration with the European Testis Workshop: <http://etw15.utu.fi/> (web site won't open with MS Internet Explorer, you need Firefox (Netscape): <http://en-us.www.mozilla.com/en-US/>)
2. **Basic Semen Analysis Course** – Karolinska University Hospital, May 19-23
<http://www.eshre.com/emc.asp?pagelid=1047>
3. **Advance Laboratory Andrology: Human Sperm Morphology** – Karolinska University Hospital, June 16-18
<http://www.eshre.com/emc.asp?pagelid=1052>
4. **ESHRE Andrology Group – Pre Congress Course**, Barcelona July 6
<http://www.eshre.com/emc.asp?pagelid=664>

Paternal inheritance – sperm and epigenetics

Course co-ordinators: J. Antonio Castilla (E) & L. Björndahl (S)

Course description: From an overview of basic concepts of epigenetic control of the inheritance to prospects of clinical applications.

Target audience: Clinicians, paramedicals and laboratory staff with an interest to widen the knowledge about basic and clinical andrology

DNA methylation in sperm: patterns, regulation and inheritance - M. Benchaib (F)

Chromatin packaging and RNA dynamics in sperm - D. Miller (UK)

Sperm proteomic and epigenetics - R. Oliva (E)

Imprinting in sperm of men with abnormal semen parameters - M Sousa (P)

Environmental endocrine disruptors and epigenetics - M.K. Skinner (USA)

Transmission of an epigenetic trait by the spermatozoon - M. Rassoulzadegan (F)

Sperm-Mediated "Reverse" Gene Transfer - C. Spadafora (E)

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With the best regards, hoping to see You soon!