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### *Introduction & Overview*

The mission of the Endometriosis Foundation of America (EFA) is to bring endometriosis treatment to the level of state-of-the-art care. Currently, the disease is poorly understood and frequently subject to missed or delayed diagnosis. Indeed, women may go undiagnosed for nearly a decade beyond symptom onset, and routine treatment is often ineffective and controversial. It is reasonable to say that today's standard of care is not well-defined, and leaves many women undiagnosed, misdiagnosed and mistreated. The Foundation's goal is to implement progressive guidelines for early intervention, timely diagnosis and effective treatment. In every stage of disease, complete and meticulous excision remains the element of novel care for superior patient outcome and satisfaction.

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# BOLDLY ENTERING A BRAVE NEW WORLD...

*German Philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche*, who once said "that which does not kill us, makes us stronger", should be sorry when endometriosis is the disease. Thank you for joining our Foundation and Faculty at our Second Annual Scientific Symposium on Endometriosis, as we explore the latest surgical advances, translational research and scientific updates to bring this topic to the forefront of the medical and lay communities. In today's endometriosis surgery, the cul-de-sac remains the least accessible and frequently overlooked part of female pelvic anatomy, yet may represent the most challenging of aspects to patient outcome and satisfaction. Dyspareunia, a prevalent symptom of cul-de-sac endometriosis, continues to remain a rarely discussed and largely ignored issue in female sexual health. We are pleased to tackle this provocative, politically-charged conundrum - a subject never before presented in a dedicated setting - to unveil the taboos behind deeply infiltrating disease.

*Through this multidisciplinary educational activity, EFA strives to bring forth the latest scientific knowledge regarding endometriosis in order to promote state-of-the-art treatment and improve the standard of care for the millions of women and girls affected by this disease.*

## FOUNDERS:



**Tamer Seckin, MD, FACOG** - Dr. Seckin is the Founder & President of the Endometriosis Foundation of America. An internationally renowned laparoscopic surgeon and NOTES patent holder, he is an Associate Attending Physician with the Department of Gynecology at Lenox Hill Hospital & Executive Board Member of the International Society for Gynecologic Endoscopy (ISGE) and a member of the American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopy (AAGL), as well as many other prestigious professional societies.



**Padma Lakshmi** - Ms. Lakshmi is the Co-Founder of the Endometriosis Foundation of America. She is known internationally as an actress, food expert, model, designer of her namesake jewelry line, award-winning author and host of the Emmy-winning Bravo television show, *Top Chef*. She established herself as a food expert early on in her career, having hosted two successful cooking shows and writing two best-selling cookbooks, one of which won her the International Versailles Event for best cookbook by a first time writer. Ms. Lakshmi is also accomplished writer; in addition to her food writing, she has also contributed to such magazines as *American Vogue*, *Gourmet*, and *British and American Harper's Bazaar*. Originally known as the first globally successful Indian supermodel, Ms. Lakshmi started modeling while an exchange student in Spain with Clark University where she received a B.A. with honors in Theater Arts.

## FEATURES OF OUR TWO-DAY SYMPOSIUM INCLUDE:

- The Foundation's traditional interest in the role of **Stem Cells** in the etiopathology of endometriosis
- Taking sex seriously: psychosocial correlates of **dyspareunia**
- Pathological variations of endometriosis of the **Cul-de-Sac**
- The **Cul-de-Sac** and sexual function
- Techniques of **Laparoendoscopic surgical excision** as the gold standard treatment of endometriosis
- **Surgery of the Cul-de-Sac and excision surgery** from simple to complex; radical excision for multiple organ involvement
- Prevention of **surgical complications** and unintended outcome
- **Clinical presentations** of deep disease
- **Interactive patient workshops**

*and much more!*

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## KEYNOTES:



**Caroline Gargett**, BAppSci, MAppSci, PhD+ - Dr Caroline Gargett holds an international reputation as the world authority on endometrial stem cells. She is the Deputy Director (Women's Health) of The Richie Centre and Senior Scientist in the Monash Institute of Medical Research (MIMR). She is also a member of Monash University Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology and holds a prestigious RD Wright Fellowship from Australia's National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC). Dr Gargett is currently Vice President of the Australasian Society for Stem Cell Research and has also served as Secretary for the Society for Reproductive Biology (2005-2007).

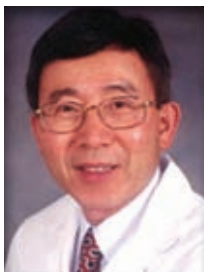


**David Redwine**, MD+ - Active in research and surgical management of endometriosis by complete excision since 1979, Dr. Redwine has experience in over 3,000 surgical cases from around the world, including over 900 cases of intestinal endometriosis. Mülleriosis, his theory of origin of the disease published in 1988, is now receiving increasing support from genetic studies illuminating endometriosis as an embryologically-patterned process governed in part by poly-genic processes, principally HOX genes.

# FACULTY:



**Linda G. Griffith, Ph.D\*** - A Professor of Mechanical & Biological Engineering at MIT, Dr. Griffith is the Director of the MIT Center for Gynepathology Research; Director of the Bioengineering for Toxicology Research Core of the Center for Environmental Health Sciences; and Director of the Biotechnology Process Engineering Center. She conducts research in the field of biomaterials and devices for tissue and organ regeneration. Her research combines molecular design and synthesis of biomaterials as well as design and synthesis of macroscopic 3-D devices for therapeutic and in vitro use, and several of her patents are in commercial development.



**C.Y. Liu, MD** - Dr. Liu is an internationally recognized leader and pioneer in the subspecialty of gynecological endoscopic surgery (laparoscopic and hysteroscopic) surgery. He has developed several gynecological procedures and holds the record for performing the most laparoscopic hysterectomies in the world. He was recognized and awarded by the European Gynecologic Endoscopic Society as one of the most achieved and excellent Gynecologic Endoscopic Surgeons in the world.



**Harry Reich, MD, FACOG, FACS§** - An internationally renowned laparoscopic pioneer, Dr. Reich is the former Director of Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center. He is Past President of the Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons and the International Society for Gynecologic Endoscopy and is on the board of AAGL. Dr. Reich is a recipient of the Excel Award for extraordinary contributions to laparoscopy from the SLS and is the first non-European honorary member of the European Society of Gynecologic Endoscopy.



**Victor Gomel, MD, Professor Emeritus** - Dr. Gomel is a Professor in the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Faculty of Medicine of the University of British Columbia. He served as Chairperson of his Department for 15 years. Dr. Gomel's special research interests lie in the fields of gynecologic surgery and reproductive medicine. He has won many awards and is internationally known for his groundbreaking work in both microsurgery and operative laparoscopy. Professor Gomel is the recipient of the prestigious award of Chevalier of the Légion d'Honneur, given to him by Jacques Chirac, President of France.



**Jhumka Gupta, MPH, ScD** - Dr. Gupta is an Assistant Professor of Epidemiology (Chronic Diseases) and a Member of the Interdisciplinary Research Methods Core for the Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS at the Yale School of Public Health. An extensively-published social epidemiologist, she investigates the mental and reproductive health implications of gender-based violence and develops interventions aimed at reducing gender-based violence against women.



**Lone Hummelshøj** - Ms. Hummelshøj is internationally renowned for her work in the field of endometriosis. Among other accomplishments, she is the Founder & Editor in Chief of Endometriosis.org, co-author of the ESHRE Guideline for the Diagnosis & Treatment of Endometriosis; Secretary General of the World Endometriosis Society; and Chief Executive of the World Endometriosis Research Foundation. She remains active in the ESHRE and ASRM Special Interest Groups (SIGs) on endometriosis.



**Keith Isaacson, MD** - Associate Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Biology, Harvard Medical School; Medical Director, Center for Minimally Invasive Gynecological Surgery at Newton-Wellesley Hospital; and Scientific Co-Director, Center for Gynepathology Research, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Dr. Isaacson is also Vice President of the American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopy and Scientific Program Chair of AAGL's 40th Global Congress of Minimally Invasive Gynecology.



**Pinar H. Kodaman, MD, Ph.D** - Dr. Kodaman is a renowned author and Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences at Yale University Medical Center. She also serves as Co-Director, Hygeia Advocate Physician Network of the Hygeia Foundation. Dr. Kodaman is the recipient of the Meehan-Miller, Irving Friedman, and the American Association of Gynecological Laparoscopists awards. Dr. Kodaman's clinical interests include PCOS, reproductive surgery and infertility. Additionally, she has a particular interest in endometrial ablation.



**Mike Berkley, LAc.** - Mike Berkley, Licensed Acupuncturist and Board Certified Herbalist, is the first acupuncturist in the United States to specialize in the treatment and care of infertility. Mike is a Fellow of the American Board of Oriental Reproductive Medicine and the Founder and Director of the Berkley Center for Reproductive Wellness.



**Michael Y. Divon, MD, FACOG** - Dr. Divon is the Chairman & Program Director of Obstetrics & Gynecology at Lenox Hill Hospital as well as a Clinical Professor in the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology and Women's Health at Albert Einstein College of Medicine. A respected author, Dr. Michael Divon is considered a leading authority on high-risk pregnancy, including multiple gestation.



**Franklin D. Loffer, MD** - Dr. Loffer is an Associate Clinical Professor in the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology at the University of Arizona and has been active in gynecologic endoscopy and minimally invasive outpatient surgery since 1970. He is Past President of the American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopists and currently the Executive Vice President and Medical Director. Dr. Loffer has authored 48 peer review papers and 17 chapters, primarily in the area of gynecologic endoscopy. He is on the editorial board of 2 journals and has been an ad hoc reviewer for 13 medical journals. He has frequently lectured in the United States and throughout the world and has demonstrated endoscopic surgical procedures in 14 foreign countries.



**Marta Meana, PhD** - Dr. Meana is a Professor of Clinical Psychology at the University of Nevada. She has published extensively in the areas of sexual pain, sexual desire, female sexual difficulties, and marital therapy. She is incoming president of the Society for Sex Therapy and Research, as well as Associate Editor of the Archives of Sexual Behavior. She serves on the editorial boards of the Journal of Sexual Medicine and the Journal of Sex Research. Dr. Meana is also an advisor to the Task Force on Female Sexual Dysfunctions for the upcoming 5th edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5).



**Tanmoy Mukherjee, MD, FACOG** - Dr. Mukherjee is a renowned Reproductive Endocrinologist & Gynecologist and Co-Director of Reproductive Medicine Associates of New York. He also serves as Associate Director, Mount Sinai Division of Reproductive Endocrinology, and is the Recipient of the prestigious Society of Reproductive Surgeons Award for Outstanding Research.



**Iris K. Orbuch, MD** - Dr. Iris Orbuch is Director of the Advanced Gynecologic Laparoscopy Center. Her training, under the guidance of Dr. C.Y. Liu and Dr. Harry Reich, allows Dr. Orbuch to be one of a handful of physicians across the country trained to excise endometriosis and treat extensive endometriosis cases.





**Resad Paya Pasic, MD, PhD** - Professor of Obstetrics & Gynecology, the Director of the Section of Operative Gynecologic Endoscopy and Co-Director of the Fellowship in Laparoscopy & Minimally Invasive Surgery at the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology and Women's Health at University of Louisville; Director of the Postgraduate Course on Anatomy, Dissection and Reparatative Pelvic Surgery on Unembalmed Female Cadavers. Dr. Pasic has published several books and scientific papers. He serves on the OBGYN.net editorial board and is an ad-hoc reviewer for several journals. Dr. Pasic has served as a member of the AAGL Board of Trustees as well as past President.



**Elizabeth Poynor, MD, PhD, FACOG** - Dr. Poynor is a renowned gynecologic-oncology surgeon-scientist. As a surgeon-scientist her work involved translating basic science principles into clinically meaningful treatments. She is expert commentator on MSNBC, the Today Show and WCBS and the former Director of Translational Research, Gynecology Services, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.



**Asgerally T. Fazleabas, PhD** - Dr. Fazleabas is considered to be a leading authority in the field of uterine biology, blastocyst implantation and endometriosis and has had continuous funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for his research since 1986. He serves as Professor & Associate Chair of the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Biology and Director of the Center for Women's Health Research at Michigan State University.



**William H. Rodgers, MD, Ph.D** - Dr. Rodgers is the Chairman of Pathology at Lenox Hill Hospital. A highly regarded anatomic pathologist with special interests in cytopathology and gynecologic pathology, Dr. Rodgers is Chairman the Pathology Committee of the Gynecology Oncology Group (GOG), a National Institutes of Health-funded collaborative, and author of numerous peer-reviewed publications, books and chapters and abstracts. He lectures both nationally and internationally.



**Jessica R. Brown, MD** - Dr. Brown is in private practice at Madison Women's Health & Fertility Dr. Brown teaches residents and students both at NYU Langone Medical Center and at Woodhull Medical Center, an NYU affiliate, where she is the founding director of the Infertility/Reproductive Endocrine clinic. Dr. Brown is President of The New York Gynecological Society and serves on the Board of Directors of Independent Doctors of New York and on the Medical Advisory Board of A TIME.



**Adam J. Romoff, MD, FACOG** - Dr. Romoff is a renowned author and award-winning gynecologist. He serves as the Associate Chairman in the Division of Obstetrics & Gynecology Residency at Lenox Hill Hospital.



**Heather Roppolo-Guidone** - Surgical Program Director, Center for Endometriosis Care; Chief Medical Coordinator, Endometriosis Foundation of America; Member, Executive Board of Directors, Endometriosis Research Center; Executive Board Member, American Society of Reproductive Medicine's Women's Council; member, SLS and ASRM endometriosis Special Interest Groups (SIGs).



**Juan Salgado-Morales, MD, FACOG** - Dr. Salgado-Morales is an award-winning, advanced Laparoendoscopic surgeon and the Senior Partner & Medical Director of Maternal Fetal Medicine & Gynecology and Minimally Invasive Surgery & Endometriosis Center. He is also an Assistant Professor at Universidad Central Del Caribe, School of Medicine, in Bayamón, Puerto Rico and the CEO & President of VITA Healthcare.



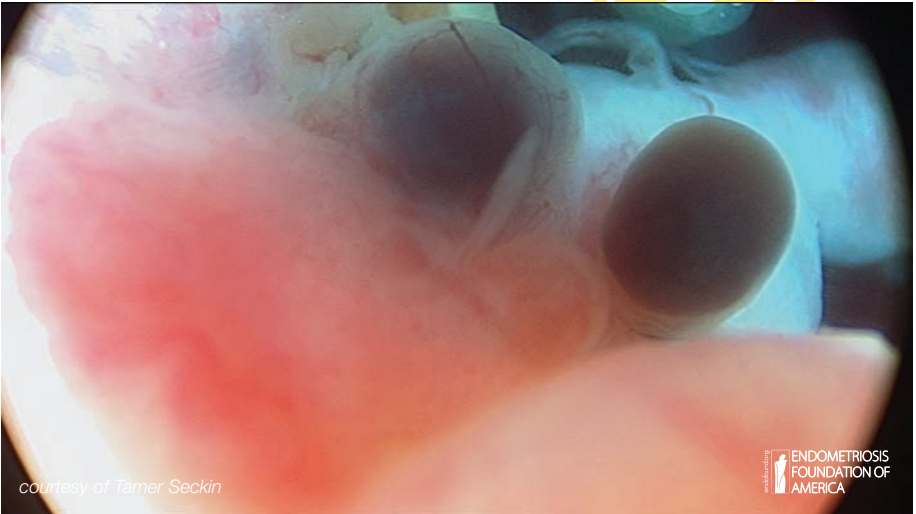
**Neeta Shah, MD** - Dr. Shah is in charge of the coordination and expansion of women's health services for North Shore-LIJ and an adjunct Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, and was clinical instructor in medicine, Cornell University Medical College. She is a fellow of the American College of Physicians (ACP) and a member of the American Medical Association and Association of Program Directors in Internal Medicine (APDIM).



**Wendy K. Winer, RN, BSN, CNOR** - Wendy Winer is an Endoscopic Surgery Specialist and the Director of Research & Emerging Technology at the Center for Endometriosis Care. She specializes in operative laparoscopy and hysteroscopy as an RNFA. She is Chair of the AAGL Nursing & Operating Room Personnel Committee and serves on the AAGL research committee. An extensively published writer and editor, she is also former adjunct faculty of the Emory University School of Nursing. She has served as Chair of the Association of Operating Room Nurses Specialty Assembly for General Surgery/Gynecology and is a member of many advisory boards and task forces.

## FOLLOWING THIS COURSE, THE PARTICIPANT SHOULD:

- Understand stem cell concept as it relates to retrograde theory and Mülleriosis;
- Recognize deep dyspareunia as a sign and symptom of endometriosis;
- Be familiar with the cul-de-sac as it relates to sexual function; and
- Learn techniques of Laparoendoscopic surgical excision for gold standard treatment of endometriosis.



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## *About the Endometriosis Foundation of America*

The Endometriosis Foundation of America (EFA) is a non-profit organization focused on fighting against the devastating effects of a disease that impacts 176 million women and adolescent girls worldwide; 8.5 million in North America alone. Through increased awareness, education, research and legislative advocacy, the EFA is committed to improving individuals' lives by promoting early detection and effective treatment. The Foundation's mission further addresses societal prejudices and misinformation in the medical community, by combining research and education while actively working to find a cure.



# FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2011

## 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

*Time*      *Presentation Title*      *Speaker(s)*

07:30 - 08:00      Continental Breakfast | Sponsor Exhibits | Faculty Meet & Greet

08:00 - 08:10      Welcoming Remarks /  
Update on Endometriosis Foundation of America      Tamer Seckin, MD

### **SESSION I**      **BIOCHEMISTRY & MOLECULAR SCIENCE OF ENDOMETRIOSIS**

**Chairs:** Michael Divon, MD, Franklin D. Loffer, MD & Elizabeth Poynor, MD

08:10 - 08:30      Endometriosis Primate Model Data: an Update      Asgerally T. Fazleabas, PhD

08:30 - 08:40      Endometriosis & Implantation Failure      Pinar Kodaman, MD, PhD

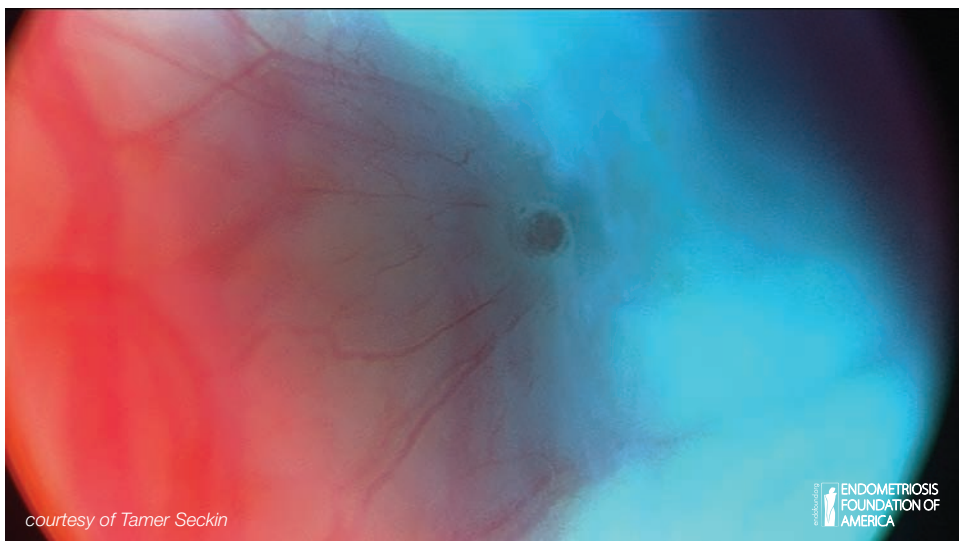
08:40 - 09:00      Systems Biology of the Peritoneal Cavity in Endometriosis      Linda Griffith, PhD &  
Keith Isaacson, MD

09:00 - 09:25      Role of Endometrial Stem Cells in Gynecological Disease      Caroline Gargett, MD, PhD

09:25 - 09:50      Research Role of Endometriosis Tissue Bank  
Pathology of Endometriosis: Unanswered Questions & Challenges      William Rodgers, MD, PhD

09:50 - 10:05      Question & Answer Session

10:05 - 10:20      Refreshment Break & Sponsor Exhibits



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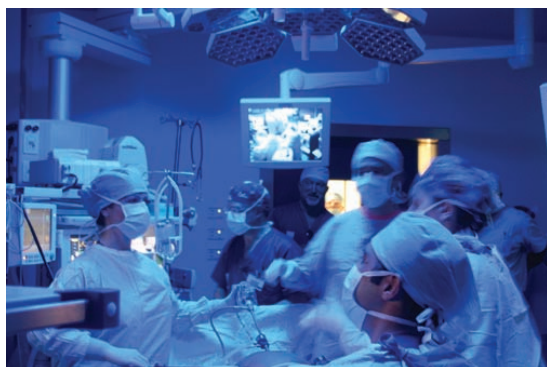
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### SESSION II      LOVE, HAPPINESS, SEX & ENDOMETRIOSIS

**Chairs:** Resad Pasic, MD, PhD, Jessica Brown, MD & Adam Romoff, MD

10:20 - 10:45	Introduction: Love, Happiness, Sex & Endometriosis	Victor Gomel, MD
10:45 - 11:00	Sex in the Morning? Perhaps not for Women with Endometriosis!	Lone Hummelshøj
11:00 - 11:25	Painful Intercourse: Why Surgery is Not Enough Taking Sex Seriously: Psychosocial Correlates of Dyspareunia	Marta Meana, PhD
11:25 - 11:40	What I have Learned - and what Others can Learn from my Experience with Endometriosis	Padma Lakshmi
11:40 - 11:45	Concluding Remarks: Do You Now Understand Better About Love, Happiness, Sex & Endometriosis?	Victor Gomel, MD
11:45 - 12:00	Question & Answer Session	
12:00 - 01:00	Lunch Break & Sponsor Exhibits	





### SESSION III SURGICAL MANAGEMENT OF ENDOMETRIOSIS

**Chairs:** Franklin D. Loffer, MD, Harry Reich, MD & Wendy Winer, RN, BSN, CNOR

01:00 - 01:25	Asteroid Detection, HOX Genes & Endometriosis	David Redwine, MD
01:25 - 02:05	Clinical Presentations Surgical Treatment of Endometriosis of the Upper Vagina & Cul-de-sac, Including Ureter & Bladder	C. Y. Liu, MD
02:05 - 02:25	Panel Discussion	Chairs & Speakers
02:25 - 02:40	Refreshment Break & Sponsor Exhibits	
02:40 - 03:00	Radical Excision of Endometriosis with Hysterectomy & Bowel Resection	Harry Reich, MD
03:15 - 03:30	The Obliterated Cul-de-sac: Surgical Approaches & Access	Resad Pasic, MD
03:00 - 03:15	Complications of Excision Surgery of the Cul-de-Sac: How can we Prevent Them?	Tamer Seckin, MD
03:30 - 03:40	Diagnostic Value of Vaginal & Rectal Sonographic Mapping Comparing Virtual Colonoscopy & MRI	Juan Salgado-Morales, MD
03:40 - 03:50	The Future of Endometriosis Surgery & the Surgeon of Tomorrow/Adjournment	Tamer Seckin, MD Harry Reich, MD Elizabeth Poynor, MD C.Y. Liu, MD
03:50 - 04:00	Question & Answers	Chairs & Speakers

*Faculty & agenda subject to change*

# SATURDAY MARCH 19, 2011

## 9:30AM – 2:30PM

**CONFERENCE DIRECTOR:** Tamer Seckin, MD, EFA Co-Founder & President

**CO-CHAIRS:** Lone Hummelshøj | Heather Roppolo-Guidone

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<i>Time</i>	<i>Room A</i>	<i>Room B</i>
09:30 - 10:00	Continental Breakfast   Sponsor Exhibits   Faculty Meet & Greet	
10:00 - 10:10	Welcome Tamer Seckin – Opening Remarks Heather Guidone – Unmet Needs in Endometriosis	
10:10 - 10:25	Keynote: the Paradigm Shift in Women's Health Neeta Shah	
10:25 - 10:30	"NO END IN SIGHT": Poem by Jennifer Meanor	
10:35 - 11:25	<p>Everything you ever wanted to know about Surgery ...but were Afraid to Ask! <b>Moderator:</b> Heather Guidone</p> <p>We will talk about what happens when you have surgery for endometriosis: how do you choose a surgeon? What is a "bowel preparation", how do you prepare for surgery – and how do you recuperate?</p> <p><b>Overview:</b> Wendy Winer</p> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A with panel:</b> Workshop participants Tamer Seckin / Iris Orbuch / A. Douglas Heymann / Wendy Winer</p>	<p>Painful Sex <b>Moderator:</b> Lone Hummelshøj</p> <p>We will talk with women and their partners about why sex can be so painful when you have endometriosis and ways in which it may be possible to overcome this, including techniques to avoid painful intercourse.</p> <p><b>Overview:</b> Marta Meana</p> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A with panel:</b> Workshop participants Marta Meana / Victor Gomel / Kelly Jacob-Burns</p>
11:25 - 11:35	Comfort Break   Refreshments	
11:35 - 12:25	<p>Teenagers &amp; Young Women with Painful Endometriosis <b>Moderator:</b> Lone Hummelshøj</p> <p>We will talk with adolescents (and their parents) about how to deal with endometriosis pain at a young age, including how to cope, go to school, look after yourself – and get on with having a good time!</p> <p><b>Overview:</b> Victor Gomel</p> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A with panel:</b> Workshop participants / Jhumka Gupta</p>	<p>Fertility &amp; Assisted Reproduction <b>Moderator:</b> Heather Guidone</p> <p>We will talk about how endometriosis may affect fertility and what can be done in terms of assisted reproductive technologies and surgery to improve the chances of pregnancy.</p> <p><b>Overview:</b> Tanmoy Mukherjee</p> <p><b>Discussion/Q&amp;A:</b> Workshop participants Jessica Brown / Kelly Jacob-Burns</p>



*Time**Room A**Room B*

12:30 - 01:00 Comfort Break | Refreshments

01:00 - 01:55

Complementary Therapies in Endometriosis / Fertility  
**Moderator:** Heather Guidone

We will talk about how complementary therapies such nutrition, acupuncture, herbs, and exercise may help sustain health in women with persistent painful endometriosis to help improve their daily lives.

**Overview:** Mike Berkley

**Discussion/Q&A with panel:**

Workshop participants  
Mike Berkley / Jessica Brown / Iris Orbuch / Kelly Jacob-Burns

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**Overview:** Marta Meana

**Discussion/Q&A with panel:**

Workshop participants  
Marta Meana / Victor Gomel

02:00 - 02:25

What have we talked about today?  
Lone Hummelshøj

Pain & Teenagers ( Victor Gomel )

Sex ( Marta Meana )

Fertility ( Tanmoy Mukherjee )

Surgery ( Wendy Winer )

Complementary therapies ( Mike Berkley )

Summary ( Lone Hummelshøj )

02:25 - 02:30

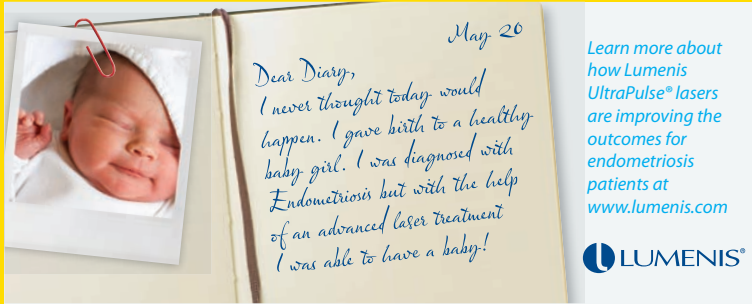
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We facilitate collaboration and information sharing between women with endometriosis, physicians, scientists, and others interested in the disease.

This international cooperation and exchange of experience enables us to deliver up to date, evidence based, information and news about endometriosis.

Our goal is to empower women with endometriosis to participate fully in making informed decisions about their treatment options.

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