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Dear Professor Zhang:

On behalf of the Study for the Society of Reproduction (SSR), we invite you to attend our annual conference, "*Pathways to Discovery: Signals for Reproduction, Development and Longevity*" being held this year in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA from July 10 – 13, with an Ovarian Workshop on July 9, 2018.

SSR was founded in 1967 to promote the study of reproduction by fostering interdisciplinary communication among scientists, holding conferences, and publishing meritorious studies. Today, our members come from 50 countries around the world. Its mission is to advance scientific knowledge by promoting outstanding research and training in reproductive sciences and to protect and preserve human and animal reproductive health.

Our keynote speaker this year is I. Glenn Cohen, Professor of Law, Faculty Director, Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology & Bioethics, Harvard Law School. His address will focus on Ethics and the Future of Reproduction.

The meeting begins on the 10th of July with the Biology of Reproduction Editor's Award for best paper, the New Investigator Lecture, the Keynote address and the opening reception. On the 11-13th concurrent focus sessions will follow morning poster sessions. Activities are being planned for our trainees, including the traditional Trainee-Mentor Luncheon, Trainee Forum ("Treading Thoughtfully through the Career Transitional Path: Navigating Successfully from Grad to Postdoc to Academia or Industry"), Heritage Luncheon, and short talks.

We do hope you are able to accept our invitation to attend SSR's Annual Meeting, and look forward to seeing you in New Orleans!

Sincerely,

Moira O'Bryan and Bo R. Rueda
Program Organizing Committee Co-Chairs

