



Proceedings of the 26th Annual Meeting of the Brazilian Embryo Technology Society (SBTE), August 30th to September 2nd, 2012, Foz do Iguaçu, PR, Brazil.

From the SBTE President

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the Proceedings of the 26th Annual Meeting of the Brazilian Embryo Technology Society (SBTE). The aim of our meeting is to present and discuss the recent developments and ideas in biotechnology of reproduction and to promote cooperation and knowledge exchange among scientists, researchers and practitioners in animal reproduction and related sciences. In the 26th SBTE Meeting our main aspiration is to maintain the scientific quality that we have all become used to, while at the same time adapting to new demands of the society and introducing innovation. In 2012, our proceedings will be published in the international journal *Animal Reproduction*, considered the most relevant Latin America scientific journal in our area. We would like to thank the extraordinary support from the Editors and staff of this Journal and to the CBRA (Colégio Brasileiro de Reprodução Animal) to embrace this collaboration with SBTE. The current SBTE meeting is a joint event with the Brazilian Artificial Insemination Society (ASBIA) and the South American Research Consortium on Cloning and Transgenesis in Ruminants. We have organized two symposia with these Societies, that will be presented at this year's SBTE meeting. We understand that promotion of combined events consists of a great opportunity for intellectual collaboration among scientists, researchers, professionals and students from Brazil and abroad. We upgraded the lecture sessions structure of our event. All plenary sessions will be followed by concurrent scientific and applied presentations related to the same theme of the session. These combined presentations will make it possible for the attendee to follow specific aspects of the theme, according to the professional interest. We would like to thank CAPES, CNPq and FAPESP, as well as to the pharmaceutical and veterinary equipment industry and the farmers to support our event. Without their generosity it would not have been possible to make our meeting come true. We will be pleased to have you at our event. We sincerely hope that all those attending will enjoy the 26th Annual Meeting of SBTE in Foz do Iguaçu, PR, Brazil.

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