

The FIGO Conference -

It was our proud privilege to deliver the “**FIRST IMPART WORKSHOP**” as the Pre-congress Workshop during the recent FIGO Conference held between October 14th - 19th, 2018 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Profs. Susan Davis, Mary Lumsden and I conducted the 6-hour Workshop which was extremely successful.

Unfortunately, Prof. Steven Goldstein could not participate due to health issues, but had sent his entire lecture electronically which was beautifully delivered! We were very fortunate to have Rosella Nappi and Eddie Morris who filled in for Steven during the interactive session.

The Program was as follows: -

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- Update on the physiology of the menopause transition
- Peri and Post-Menopausal Bleeding: What is Normal and What is Not?
- Case presentations
- Menopause and its Consequences
- Menopausal Hormone therapy – review of regimens and new treatment options
- Risks and benefits of treatments for menopausal problem
- Case presentation
- Incidentally discovered finding on ultrasound in Menopausal patients: What do they mean
- Case presentation

The entire auditorium was full, there was a lot of interaction, truly happy moments for all of us!

On the 16th of October we had the IMS Symposium on “**Meeting the Challenges in the Management of Menopausal Symptoms**” which included the following program.

- Vaginal Atrophy – **Camilo Rueda**
- Caring for women with metabolic dysfunction – is hormone therapy safe? **MaryAnn Lumsden**
- Sexual wellbeing after menopause- **Susan Davis**
- Audience Interaction.

Prof. Camilo Rueda stepped in for Steven and gave a lecture in Portuguese with English slides. All the lectures were very well appreciated, again with a lot of interaction.

Lee managed the IMS stall demonstrating to delegates how to get into the IMPART program on her iPad. She gave away hundreds of Koala Bears, promoting our Melbourne World Congress in 2020!

Overall it was a delightful experience at FIGO!

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