



**PREBIC Annual Workshop 2017**  
**Venue – ‘OPEN GATES’, 2419 Sealy St, Galveston, TX**  
**May 8 -10, 2017**

**Day # 1 – Monday, May 8, 2017**

<b>7.30 – 8.30</b>	<b><u>Continental breakfast @ Open Gates</u></b>	
<b><u>8.30 – 10.30</u></b>	<b><u>Chairpersons – Bo Jacobson, MD, PhD &amp; Tracy Manuck, MD</u></b>	
8.30 – 8.35	Welcome address	Ramkumar Menon, PhD
8.35 – 9.00	Presidential address	Hanns Helmer, MD
9.00 -9.15	PREBIC accomplishments	Calvin J Hobel, MD
9.15- 9.30	Future of PREBIC	Nanbert Zhong, MD, PhD
9.30 – 9.45	PREBIC organization (registration, by-law)	Elizabeth Bonney, MD
9.45 – 10.00	PREBIC scientific agenda	Cynthia Gyamfi-Bannerman, MD, MS
10.00 – 10.25	“The year in preterm birth—Clinical”	Alfred Brann, MD
10:25 – 10:30	Q & A	
<b>10.30-10.45</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
10.45 -11.10	“The year in preterm birth —Basic Science”	Leslie Myatt, PhD
11:10 – 11:15	Q & A	
11.15 – 11.40	PREBIC Working groups assignments and rationale	Scott M Williams, PhD
11.40 – 12.00	Assignments, effective functioning and expectations from working groups	Sam Mesiano, PhD
12.00 – 12.15	DISCUSSION	
<b>12.15 – 1.30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
1.30 – 3.30	WORKING GROUPS MEET	
3.30 - 4.00	COFFEE	
4.00 - 5.15	WORKING GROUP MEET	
5.15 – 6.00	Wine & Cheese Reception	
6.00 & 6.15	Shuttles to Hotel Galvez	



**DAY # 2, Tuesday, May 9, 2017**

<b>7.30 – 8.30</b>	<b><u>Continental breakfast @ Open Gates</u></b>	
<b>8.30 – 11.00</b>	<b><u>Chairpersons</u> –Stephen J Fortunato, MD, Jarek Kalinka, MD, PhD</b>	
8.30 – 8.55	Preterm birth prevention:	George Saade, MD
	A clinical perspective and prematurity	
8.55 – 9.15	Evolutionary implications of gestational variation	Derek Wildman, PhD
9.15 - 9:25	Preterm birth research in India	Pallavi Kshetrapal, PhD
9.25 -9.35	Preterm birth research in Africa	Samuel Obed, MD
9.35 – 9.45	Preterm birth research in Korea	Kim Young Ju, MD, PhD
9.45 – 9.55	Preterm birth research in China	Ciaxia Liu, MD & Dr. Duanjin Chen, MD
<b>10.00-10.30</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
10.30 – 10.40	Development of young investigator	Bo Jacobsson/Indira Mysorekar
10.40 – 10.50	Journal of Preterm Birth	Scott M Williams, PhD
10.50 – 11.00	PREBIC Book	Ronnie Lamont, MD
11.00 – 12.30	WORKING GROUPS MEET	
<b>12.30 – 1.30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
1.30 – 3.30	WORKING GROUPS MEET	
<b>3.30-3.45</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
3.45- 5.30	<b><u>Summary of working group activities</u> (15 minutes each including discussion)</b>	
<b>3.45 - 5.30</b>	<b><u>Chairpersons</u> Thomas McElrath, MD &amp; Mala Mahendroo, PhD</b>	
3.45 - 4.00	Group 1	
4.00 – 4.15	Group 2	
4.15 – 4.30	Group 3	
4.30 – 4.45	Group 4	
4.45 – 5.00	Group 5	
5.00 - 5-15	Group 6	
5.15 – 5.45	Review and Summary	
5.45 & 6.00	Shuttles to Hotel Galvez	



**7.00 – 10.00**                      **PREBIC DINNER @ Shearns Moody Gardens** <http://www.moodygardenshotel.com/shearns>

**Day # 3, Wednesday, May 10, 2017**

**Continental breakfast @ Hotel Galvez meeting room**

<b>Venue</b>	<b><u>Galvez Hotel Conference Room</u></b>	
<b>8.00 – 9.30</b>	<b><u>Chairpersons</u></b>	<b>Jerome Lapointe, PhD &amp; Sarah England, PhD</b>
8.00 – 8.15	Ethics in Preterm Birth Research	Bo Jacobson, MD, PhD
<b>Young investigator forum</b> (10-minute presentation and 5-minute discussion)		
8.15 – 8.30	Placental infections and preterm birth	Bin Cao, PhD
8.30 – 8.45	Preterm births and their outcomes in a tertiary hospital in Ghana	Kwame Adu-Bonsaffoh, MD
8.45 – 9.00	Advances in Malaria therapeutics and its implications in pregnancy	Avish Arora, MD
9.00 -9.15	Genetic predisposition to spontaneous preterm birth: A study of potential susceptibility genes using whole exome sequencing	Johanna Huusko, PhD
9.15 – 9.30	Fetal cell exosomes: Signalers of parturition?	Samantha Sheller, BS
9.30 – 10.00	Working groups review and discussion	(continued from Day # 2)
10.00 – 10.15	Summary from working groups and action plans	Sam Mesiano
10.15 - 10.30	Introduction of new Board of Directors and office bearers	Calvin J Hobel, MD
10.30 – 10.45	Future PREBIC meetings	Nanbert Zhong, MD Cynthia Bannerman, MD, MS
10.45 – 11.00	Q & A	
	Concluding Remarks	Hanns Helmer, MD
<b>11.00</b>	<b>Conference Adjourn</b>	

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**WORKING GROUP FACILITATORS**

**Group # 1**      **Room # 201**

**Facilitators**

Mark Johnson, MD  
Siobhan Dolan, MD

**Group # 2**      **Room # 203**

**Facilitators**

Cynthia Gyamfi-Bannerman, MD, MS  
Indira Mysorekar, PhD

**Group # 3**      **Room # 204**

**Facilitators**

Elizabeth A. Bonney, MD, MPH  
Leslie Myatt, PhD

**Group # 4**      **Room # 206**

**Facilitators**

Sam Mesiano, PhD  
Amy Murtha, MD

**Group # 5**      **Room - Solarium**

**Facilitators**

Scott M Williams, PhD  
Ronald F Lamont, MD

**Group # 6**      **Room - Gold room**

**Facilitators**

Nanbert Zhong, MD, PhD  
Hanns Helmer, MD