

**Public forum: Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis (PGD) and Screening (PGS). Open to: students enrolled in BMS101, “introduction to the Human Body” the public and University community.**

**Thursday May 16, 2013**

**15:30–18:00**

**Economics Commerce and Law Lecture Theatre 1, Murdoch University  
South St. Campus**

**Chair and preamble**

**15:30–1535 Dr Anne M. Jequier, Andrologist and Fertility Specialist**

**Speakers:**

**1535–1605 Itziar Rebollar-Lazaro, Hollywood IVF**

**“Overview of how PGD fits within a fertility clinic: techniques available for PGD/PGS; possibilities and ethical limitations.”**

Laboratory Manager, Senior Embryology Scientist and PGD Scientist  
Hollywood Fertility Centre.

Biologist from University of Navarre, Spain, Grad Dip Reproductive  
Science,

MSc Clinical Embryology from Monash University (VIC)

Itziar has worked in Mexico, as a senior embryologist and setting up an  
IVF lab, then in Perth for 5 years at HFC doing Management, Training,  
Supervision, hands-on on every technique available in the clinic, and  
responsible for the PGD lab.

**16:05–1635 Sarah O’Sullivan, Genetic Counsellor at Genetic Services  
of Western Australia**

**“Genetic counselling and preimplantation genetic testing in WA.”**

Duties include: provide information about genetic conditions and their  
implications to patients and healthcare providers; provide support to  
those affected by genetic conditions; facilitate genetic testing of  
patients.

BSc (Hons) from UWA, Grad Dip Genetic Counselling from University  
of Newcastle (NSW). I have worked in various areas of clinical genetics  
including prenatal, paediatrics, adult-onset and familial cancer. Sarah  
has also worked in genetic research. Sarah has worked in NSW, WA,  
the UK and USA.

**1635–1705 Dr Kathy Sanders, UWA and Chair Reproductive Technology Council PGD Committee**

**“Why and how preimplantation genetic testing is regulated in Western Australia.”**

**Biography:** Dr Kathy Sanders has a BSc (Hons) and PhD from The University of Western Australia (UWA) and is currently an Assistant Professor in the School of Anatomy, Physiology & Human Biology at UWA. Dr Sanders’ research examines lifestyle and psychosocial factors influencing human fertility and the outcome of assisted reproductive technology. She is a member of the Reproductive Technology Council of Western Australia, and was recently appointed Chair of its Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis Committee.

**1705–1735 Damien, Briony and Charlotte**

**“Living with PGD”**

**1735–end. Panel discussion and open questions.**