

PROGRAMME
SPRING MEETING
FRIDAY, 13TH MARCH 2026



TEXTIELMUSEUM TILBURG
Goirkestraat 96, 5046 GN Tilburg,
The Netherlands

Reproductive Rhythms:
Hormones in Action across Species

09u30 Registration; coffee and pastries

09u45 VFS housekeeping meeting

Morning session

Chair : TBA

10u00 Caput selectum (dual presentation):

Hormonal Harmony: Understanding Endocrine Function in Women and Men

Ellen Anckaert

VUB, Brussel, Belgium

Kathleen D'Hauwers

Radboudumc, Nijmegen, The Netherlands

11u00 Coffee break

11u30 Oral presentations: 1-4

12u30 Lunch

Afternoon session

Chair : TBA

13u30 Oral presentations: 1-4

Meet the Research team : Where Clinic and Research Meet

14u30 **The Hormonal Blueprint of the Dog and the Bitch**

Jeffrey de Gier

Universiteit Utrecht, The Netherlands

15u00 **Modeling the Endometrium in a Dish: Organoids for studying PCOS, Implantation, and Beyond**

Joris Vriens

KU Leuven, Leuven, Belgium

15u30 Coffee or tea break

16u00 Key-note lecture

Ethics and Human Rights in Reproduction

Petra De Sutter

Rector Ugent

UGent, Gent, Belgium

17u00 Award ceremony - Bernard Roelen

17u15 Drinks and farewell