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- The registration fee is 100 Euro. You can either pay by transfer into our account RO98RNCB0091005021600016, opened at Banca Comercială Română, Agenția OTOPENI, or you can pay cash on the opening day of the Symposium (invoices and receipts will be provided).

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Please make sure that the tables and pictures/charts will fit to a maximum printed page width of 12.5 cm. Resizing them during re-formatting might cause distortions and errors.

All contributions must be written in English. Please make sure that the English of your paper is reviewed by a native English speaker.

**Line spacing:** 1 line throughout the document, no page numbers.

**The title** should be as brief as possible, but it should include, nevertheless, sufficient information on the subject of the paper and on the species involved when applicable.

**Authors' names** [given name, last (family) name]. If there is more than one author, the affiliations will be footnoted using figures, 1; 2; 3 etc, written in superscript and be placed below the author names. The corresponding author should be indicated with an asterisk and followed by an e-mail address. Do not give authors' titles, positions, or degrees.

**The abstract:** no more than 2,500 keystrokes (characters plus spaces) in one paragraph.. The abstract should summarize pertinent results in a brief but understandable form, should start with a clear statement of the objective and must conclude with one or two sentences that highlight important conclusions. References are never cited in the abstract.

### **Keywords**

After the abstract list up to 5 key words.

### **Headings**

**Headings** are: “**Introduction**”, “**Materials and methods**”, “**Results and discussion**”, “**Conclusions**”, “**Acknowledgments**” (optional) and “**References**”.

### **Introduction**

The introduction must not exceed 2,500 keystrokes (characters plus spaces). It briefly justifies the research (argues the opportunity of the research) and specifies the hypotheses to be tested. Extensive discussion of relevant literature should be included in the discussion of results, not in the introduction. To limit the length of the introduction and to avoid repeating, generally no more than three references should be cited to support a specific concept.

### **Materials and Methods**

A clear description or specific original reference is required for all biological, analytical, and statistical procedures. All modifications of the original procedures must be explained. Diets, animals (breed, sex, age, body weight), data recording conditions, surgical techniques, measurements, and statistical models should be described clearly and fully.

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Results (which may be presented separately or combined in one section with the Discussion) should be presented in tabular form when feasible. If data are discussed in the text but are not included in tables or figures, specify “(data not shown)” in the text. The

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The discussion (which may be presented separately or combined with Results) should interpret the results in terms of biological mechanisms and should integrate literature results with the research findings. Avoid presenting results and references to tables and figures already described in the Results section. The possible differences from other authors or data inconsistencies must be mentioned and explained.

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