

# CORRESPONDENCE- POINTS OF VIEW

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### Regarding the article: “Recessive mutations and sperm banks of geniuses”

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*The point of view of Professor Doctor Bogdan Marinescu, the first obstetrician who managed the in vitro fertilization of a 67-year-old woman, after applying hormonal treatment in order to remove menopause; nowadays, the little girl’s age, born due fertilization procedure, is 15 years, her mother is 82 years old, both being in perfect health status.*

*“The subject proposed by Academician Professor Doctor Andy Petroianu from Brazil is fascinating, but on my opinion, the matter has to be approached by several personalities from outside the medical sphere such as sociologists, psychologists, church representatives etc.*

*The scientific and medical evolution regarding the professional field of Assisted Human Reproduction, creates the theoretic possibility to eliminate the genetic imperfections of mankind.*

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**Assisted human reproduction** is based on a series of procedures, starting with intrauterine insemination, continuing with the adoption of embryos from a couple considered healthy, respectively the manipulation of gametes at the chromosomal level, including fertilization of oocytes without the participation of the male partner, respectively with sperm collected from men with a high IQ, considered "super intelligent" or gifted.

As in humans there is no parthenogenesis, the product of conception being the result of the fusion of the genetic material of the two gametes, female and male, the anecdote mentioned by Academician Professor Petroianu with the answer of George Bernard Show is eloquent regarding the possibility of geniuses apparition.

In conclusion, it can be stated that genius is not necessarily passed on to descendants, because the laws of genetics and heredity never apply mathematically.

Obviously, other methods of assisted human reproduction are under development, but they are still unaccredited.

**As a doctor, however, I have considered, throughout my whole career, that nature should be helped and replaced only if it is impossible to "manage" on its own** (for example, in the case of a female patient with bilateral salpingectomy, who benefits only from the IVF-ET procedure in order to procreate).

From this point of view, the idea of **helping should not be confused with the one of directing**. Obviously, other opinions are needed on this issue.

I congratulate Prof. Andy Petroianu for the idea of bringing this scientific aspect to the attention of the public medical opinion and not only".

Regards,

Acad. Prof. Bogdan Marinescu MD, PhD.