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Samir Hamamah is Professor of Reproductive Medicine at the medical school and University Hospital of Montpellier, France. He is also Chair of the Reproductive Biology Department and Chair of the assisted reproductive technology/pre-implantation genetic diagnosis (ART/ PGD) division at Arnaud de Villeneuve Hospital, Montpellier.

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