## Corrigendum to "ART in Latin America: The Latin American Registry, 2020" [JBRA Assist Reprod. 2023;27(3):514-538]

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The authors regret that in Supplementary Table 7 (Effect of peritoneal endometriosis in ART outcome) several cases were wrongly allocated as peritoneal endometriosis. After correcting the data to include all cases where the primary or secondary diagnosis was endometriosis, as diagnosed by direct observation (laparoscopy), re-analysis revealed that the differences in delivery rate were not significant. Correct supplementary table and revised results and discussions have been provided below in order to reflect the new analysis:

## **REVISED RESULTS TEXT**

Endometriosis, as diagnosed by direct observation (laparoscopy), was present, either as a primary or secondary diagnosis, in 753 out of 39,418 initiated fresh cycles (1.9%). Laparoscopic observation included 67% of peritoneal fulguration, 22% of surgery for ovarian cysts, deep infiltration, or a combination of both, and 11% cases where no specific description was registered. A comparison was made between the outcome of cases where endometriosis was diagnosed, and a 'control group' (n=2839) of tubal and endocrine factors excluding premature ovarian insufficiency (Supplementary Table 7). In this 'control group', cases with a secondary diagnosis of endometriosis were also ruled out. Supplementary Table 7 provides information on the numbers and the mean number of oocytes collected, as well as the delivery rates in these two groups of women, stratified by age categories. Although the mean number of oocytes collected at all ages was significantly lower in the presence of endometriosis (<35: 9.51 [5.57] versus 10.50 [6.86]: p<0.0001 (95% CI 0.6661 to 1.3139); 35-39: 6.87 [5.49] *versus* 10.28 [6.87]: *p*<0.0001 (95% CI 3.1253 to 3.6947); >39: 5.59 [5.11] versus 6.12 [5.44]: p=0.0053 (95% CI 0.1578 to 0.9022), the delivery rate per embryo transfer was not significantly different between the endometriosis and control

groups (<35: 37.3% versus 35.2%: p=0.6370 (95% CI -6.3307% to 11.0585%); 35-39: 29.3% versus 24.0%: p=0.1027 (95% CI -1.0005% to 12.1257%); >39: 15.2% versus 12.6%: p=0.5579 (95% CI -4.9503% to 13.5113%).

## **REVISED DISCUSSION TEXT**

In 2020, for the first time, collaborating institutions were asked to describe the type of endometriosis when this was part of a primary or secondary diagnosis. This included how the diagnosis was reached, and when reached surgically (mostly laparoscopic), centers were asked to describe the type of surgery performed, classified into five categories: peritoneal fulguration, cystectomy, or drainage of endometrioma, deep infiltration, partial oophorectomy and a combination of the above. Endometriosis was diagnosed by direct visualization in 753 out of 39,418 initiated cycles (1.9%). The number of oocytes collected as well as the delivery rate, stratified by age, were compared in women having endometriosis either as a primary or secondary diagnosis, excluding freeze-all cycles, and women having tubal and/or endocrine factors, excluding ovarian insufficiency. As seen in Supplementary Table 7, in spite of the fact that the number of eggs recovered in cases with endometriosis was significantly lower at all ages the delivery rates appeared to be higher in women with endometriosis compared with women with tubal or endocrine factors, although the difference was not statistically significant. These findings follow a similar direction of a study by Opøien et al. (2011) who showed better ART outcomes in minimal or mild endometriosis after surgical removal of endometriotic tissue; and a review by Senapati et al. (2016), using the SART database, showing, that in the absence of comorbidity, endometriosis yields fewer oocytes but higher pregnancy and delivery rates.

The authors would like to apologize for any inconvenience caused.

| Supplementary Table 7. Effect of peritoneal endometriosis in ART outcome, 2020. |                                   |      |                      |             |            |           |                                  |
|---|-----------------------------------|------|----------------------|-------------|------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| Age<br>(years)  | Diagnosis                         | N    | Oocytes<br>retrieved | Mean number | Deliveries | Transfers | Delivery<br>rate per<br>transfer |
| <35   | Endometriosis                     | 200  | 1875                 | 9.51±5.57   | 53         | 142       | 37.3%                            |
|   | Tubal and other endocrine factors | 851  | 8935                 | 10.50±6.86* | 222        | 630       | 35.2%                            |
| 35 - 39   | Endometriosis                     | 381  | 2618                 | 6.87±5.49   | 66         | 225       | 29.3%                            |
|   | Tubal and other endocrine factors | 1181 | 9813                 | 10.28±6.87* | 207        | 861       | 24.0%                            |
| >39   | Endometriosis                     | 172  | 962                  | 5.59±5.11   | 10         | 66        | 15.2%                            |
|   | Tubal and other endocrine factors | 807  | 4946                 | 6.12±5.44*  | 55         | 437       | 12.6%                            |

n: number of oocyte retrievals with a history of endometriosis and tubal and endocrine factors, excluding freeze all cases. Tubal and endocrine factors exclude endometriosis as second diagnosis. (\*) Significantly different.

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