

Supplementary Table 1. Descriptive statistics of clinical and standard semen parameters

Standard semen parameter	Fertile men	Professional drivers	Infertile men with varicocele	Infertile men not exposed to genital heat stress
Age (years)	33.00 (23.00–41.00) 32.93 ± 5,50 n=29	33.00 (23,00–41.00) 32.57 ± 4.55 n=54	31.00 (20.00–41.00) 30.78 ± 4.64 n=78	33.00 (25.00–41.00) 32.89 ± 4.11 n=37
BMI (kg/m ²)	25.79 (20.78–31.92) 26.15 ± 3.25 n=28	26.30 (21,31–31.00) 26.30 ± 2.90 n=44	24.73 (19.57–32.42) 24.85 ± 2.88 n=70	25.92 (20.57–32.32) 26.28 ± 3.29 n=24
Semen volume (mL)	2.95 (0.80–6.80) 3.15 ± 1.39 n=29	3.00 (1.00–7.50) 3.37 ± 1.44 n=54	3.00 (0.90–8.40) 3.3 ± 1.66 n=78	3.30 (0.80–6.30) 3.49 ± 1.36 n=37
Semen pH	8.00 (7.50–9.00) 8.18 ± 0,39 n=27	8.00 (7.50–8.50) 8.20 ± 0.30 n=44	8.00 (7.50–9.00) 8.22 ± 0.28 n=69	8.00 (7.50–8.50) 8.17 ± 0.30 n=32
Sperm concentration (×10 ⁶ /mL)	79.45 (15.50–283.00) 102.54 ± 66.32 n=29	22.54 (0,22–178.00) 33.88 ± 31.86 n=54	22.00 (0.20–173.50) 33.28 ± 33.66 n=78	15.00 (0.03–227.00) 29.23 ± 44.34 n=37
Total sperm number (×10 ⁶ /ejaculate)	252.90 (64.80–608.00) 286.89 ± 157.46 n=29	57.47 (1.01–712.00) 98.69 ± 118.17 n=54	62.80 (0.44–537.80) 97.69 ± 103.81 n=78	41.40 (0.08–454.00) 84.66 ± 109.29 n=37
Progressive motility (%)	51.00 (23.00–70.00) 50.43 ± 11.90 n=29	40.00 (9.00–72.00) 39.30 ± 17.24 n=54	39.00 (0.00–73.00) 37.63 ± 15.80 n=78	33.00 (0.00–63.00) 29.94 ± 17.32 n=37
Total sperm motility (%)	61.00 (32.00–78.00) 59.07 ± 11.5 n=29	48.50 (12.00–77.00) 46.94 ± 16.92 n=54	48.00 (0.00–79.00) 46.40 ± 16.26 n=78	44.00 (0.00–72.00) 38.86 ± 19.88 n=37
Viability – eosin test (%)	75.50 (50.00–93.00) 74.50 ± 11.63 n=29	68.00 (44.00–91.00) 69.15 ± 12.21 n=54	75.00 (22.00–96.00) 71.73 ± 13.20 n=77	68.00 (15.00–86.00) 63.08 ± 19.18 n=35
Normal morphology (%)	4.00 (1.00–15.00) 4.39 ± 2,98 n=29	2.00 (0.00–10.00) 2.05 ± 1.98 n=54	2.00 (0.00–7.00) 2.00 ± 1.69 n=78	2.00 (0.00–11.00) 2.00 ± 2.12 n=35

Peroxidase-positive leukocytes ($\times 10^6/\text{mL}$)	0.13 (0.00–1.90) 0.33 \pm 0,51 n=27	0.12 (0.00–1.76) 0.32 \pm 0.4 n=53	0.09 (0.00–6.80) 0.54 \pm 1.17 n=77	0.05 (0.00–6.56) 0.64 \pm 1.41 n=37
Round cells ($\times 10^6/\text{mL}$)	0.80 (0.26–5.32) 1.53 \pm 1,32 n=27	0.75 (0.00–12.00) 1.59 \pm 2.51 n=53	0.82 (0.00–8.50) 1.46 \pm 1.65 n=77	0.70 (0.00–6.90) 1.31 \pm 1.54 n=37
Viability – HOS test (%)	74.50 (57.00–93.00) 74.58 \pm 8,57 n=24	66.50 (19.00–91.00) 63.31 \pm 16.2 n=48	65.00 (29.00–94.00) 63.83 \pm 15.68 n=72	63.50 (25.00–88.00) 60.62 \pm 16.71 n=25

Value are median (Min–Max) and mean \pm SD

HOS test – hypo-osmotic swelling test; n=number of participants for each variable