

Supplementary Table 2. Semen parameters in healthy fertile men and infertile patients with varicocele

| Semen parameters | Fertile healthy men (n=10) | Varicocele patients (n=50) | p-value |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| Sperm concentration (10 ⁶ /mL) | 69.90±37.65 | 29.49±33.22 | < 0.002 |
| Sperm motility (%) | 57.1±16.0 | 41.3±18.4 | < 0.023 |
| Normal sperm morphology (%) | 8.4±3.7 | 2.4±1.9 | < 0.001 |
| ROS levels (RLU/s/10 ⁶ sperm) | 142.7 (36.2, 337.7) | 896.1 (165.6, 2,990.5) | <0.008 |
| Sperm DNA fragmentation (%) | 8.5 to 18.2 | 3.3 to 48.3 | < 0.009 |

Data adapted from the study Agarwal et al (Asian J Androl 2016;18:282-91) [6]. Sperm concentration, motility and morphology values are presented as mean±standard deviation. ROS levels are mentioned as median (25th, 75th percentile), whereas sperm DNA fragmentation are represented as lower and upper limit. For all values, p<0.05 indicate a significant difference based on the Mann–Whitney test. ROS: reactive oxygen species, RLU: relative light units.