



Semen analysis by different technics



IMV Technologies

*Instruments de **Medicine Veterinaire** (veterinary medical instrument)
World leadership in artificial insemination technologies and products, Biobanking solutions*

Our mission:

Facilitate access to food needs of a growing population (7 billion) highlighting technologies for Animal Artificial Insemination



WORLDWIDE PRESENCE



275 employees.

IMV subsidiaries: Italy, Netherlands, USA, China, India.

Wide network of 120 agents distributors.



AREAS OF EXPERTISE

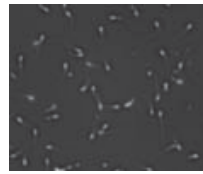
- ✓ 49 years of expertise in animal artificial insemination and embryo transfer technologies
- ✓ Plastic extrusion / Biochemistry / Media / Instrumentation
- ✓ Cryopreservation, biological sample freezing
- ✓ Reproductive physiology / Semen analysis / Sperm physiology
- ✓ R/D project development management

- ✓ I am Ludivine Chevrier. I have joined IMV since January 2011.
- ✓ Manager of R&D laboratory and project leader for semen analysis by flow cytometry.



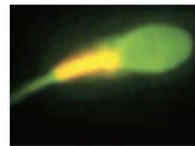
Introduction

Only external parameters
(motility, concentration)

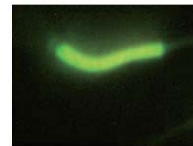


Microscope/CASA
observation

Internal physiological parameters



High potential



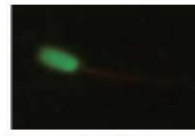
Low potential



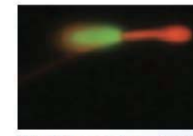
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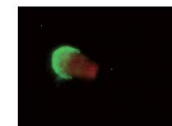
Dead



Normal organization



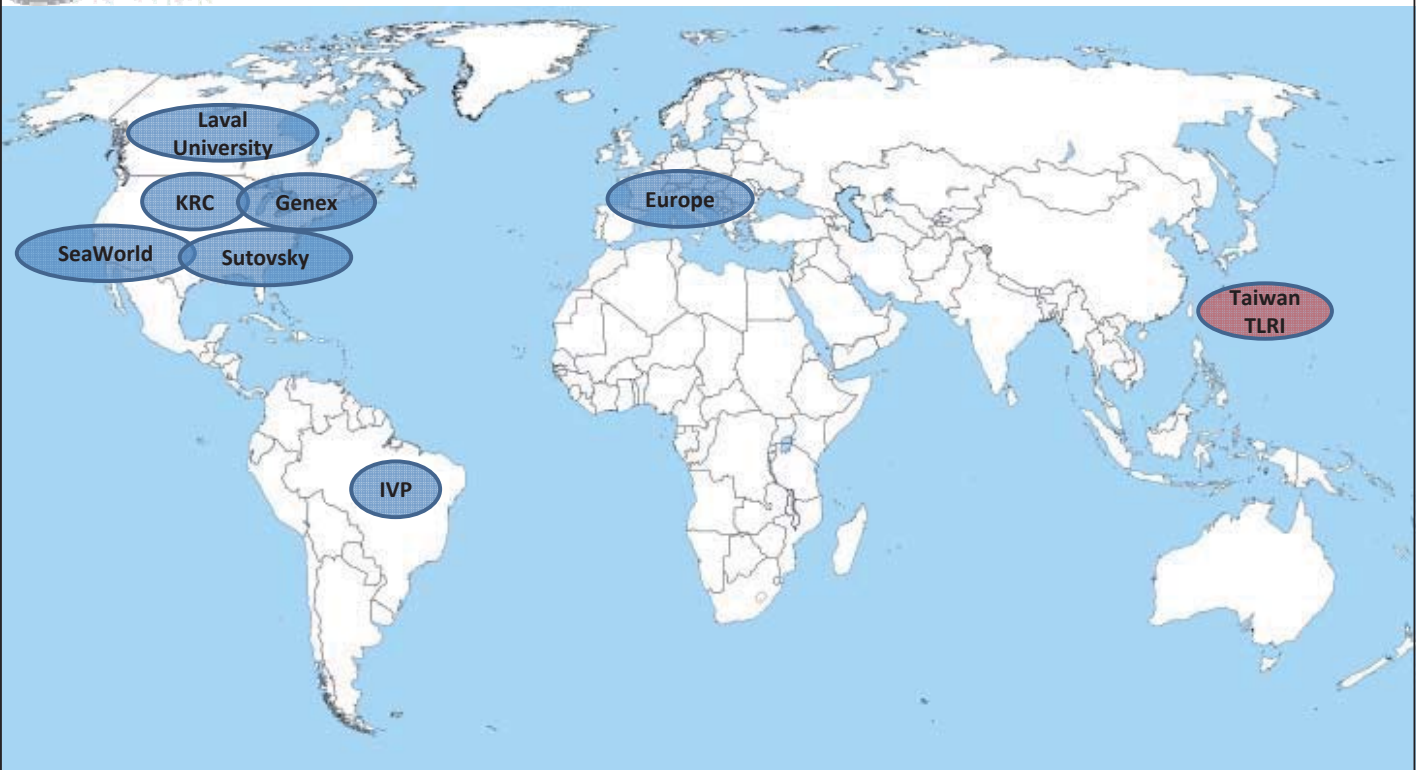
Membrane phospholipid
disorder

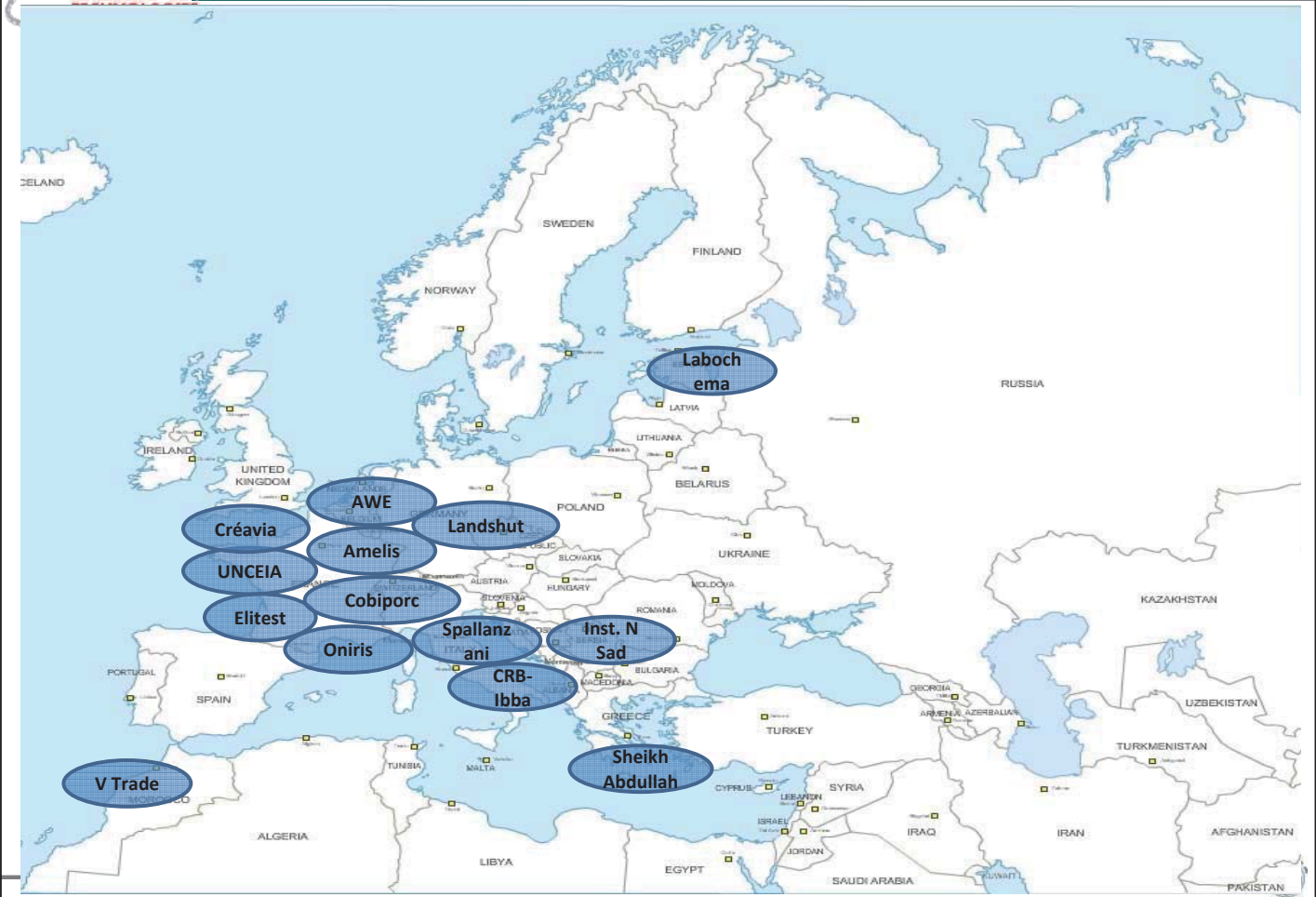


Disrupted acrosome

Helps a lot to
take a decision
on quality semen

Easycyte Sales Worldwide





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 - a. Microscopes
 - b. Photometers
 - c. CASA systems
 - d. Utrecht University / Topigs results

2. Analysis of different physiological parameters
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Microscopes

Binocular microscope



UB 203 i
Ref. 023939

Basic; for small
centers (swine, equine,
bovine)



Nikon E 100 – Led
Ref. 016744

CIA all species
Nikon optical quality

Trinocular microscope



Nikon Eclipse Ci Series
Ref. 024374

Universities, Research centers
Nikon optical quality

→ Very good but limited to objective motility, morphology and concentration



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Photometers

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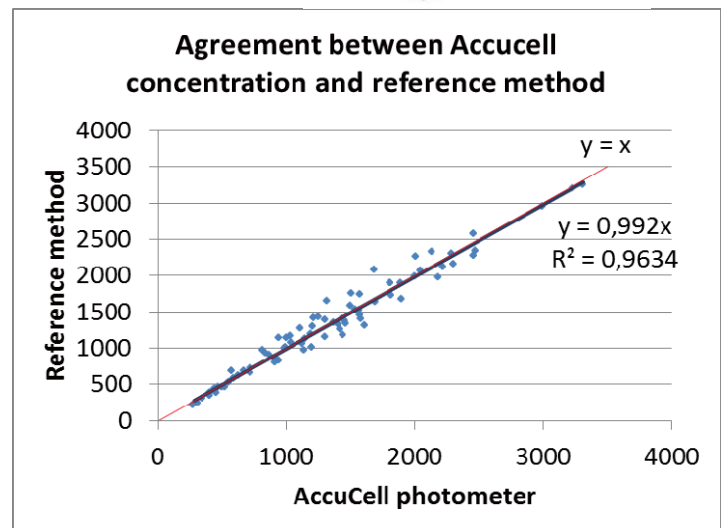


ACCUCELL



➤ Accuread and Accucell are

- **Reliable**
CV% between measure on Accuread and Accucell < NucleoCounter, Ultimate and Hemacytometer
- **Accurate**
Good correlation with all other method including reference method
- **Rapid**
Less than 15" of sample preparation and analyze
- **Cost effective**



Customer assay on Zebu semen



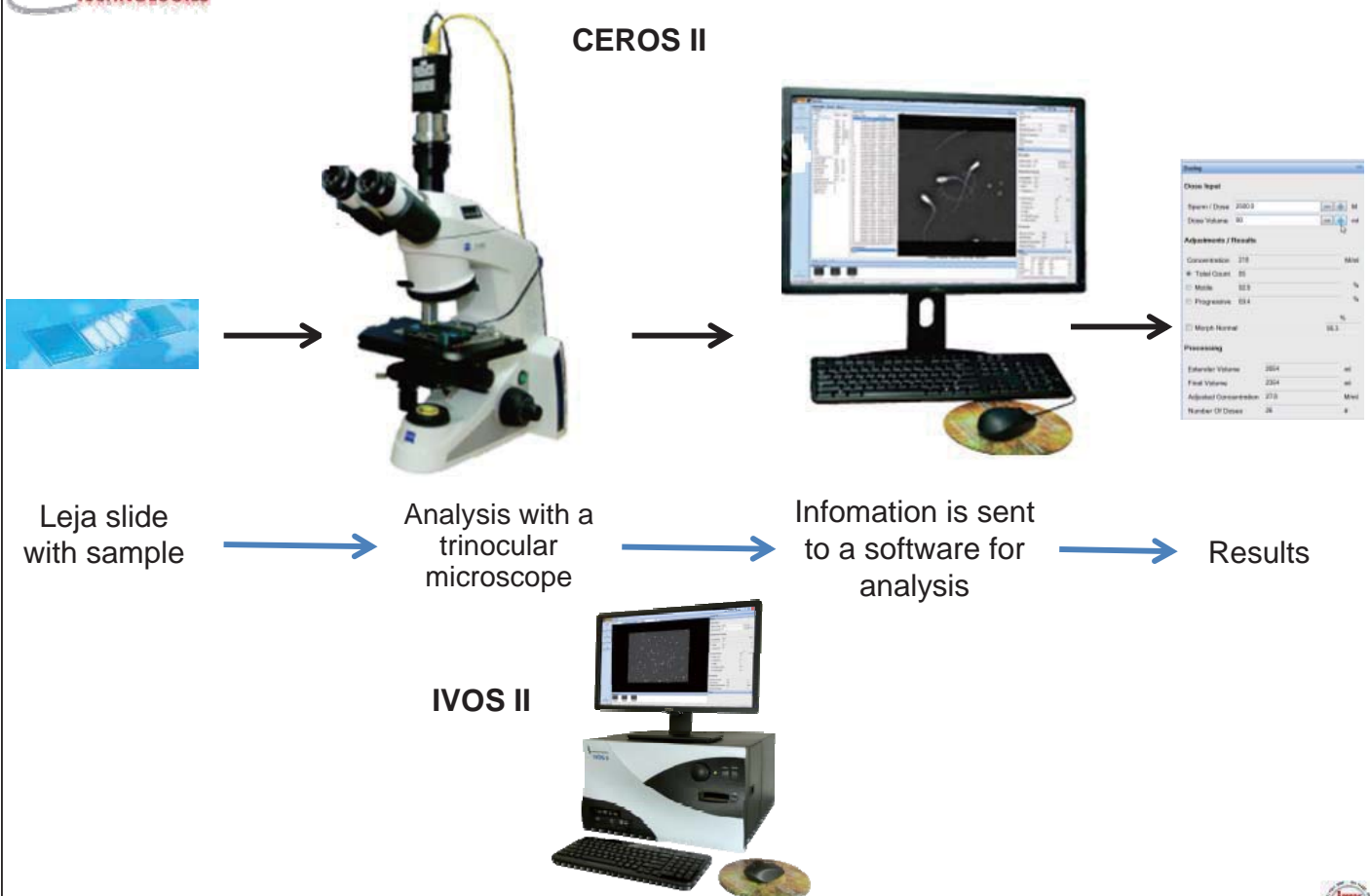
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New generation of machine



Intuitive software

Available in English, Russian, Chinese, Spanish (more coming soon)

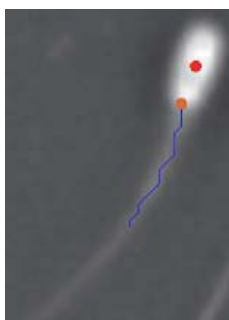
1. Control for initiating analysis
2. Quick selection of analysis setup
3. Results
4. Image
5. Thumbnail gallery of captured video images



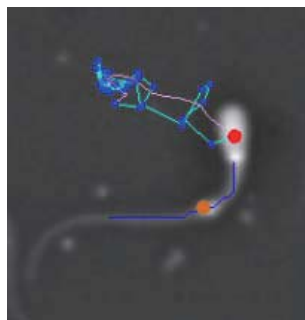
Automated morphologic abnormalities analysis

On life or dead semen

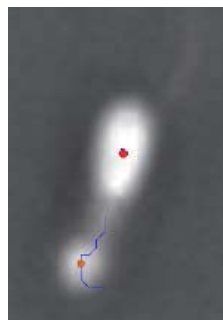
Species: swine, equine, bovine (clear media)



Proximal droplet



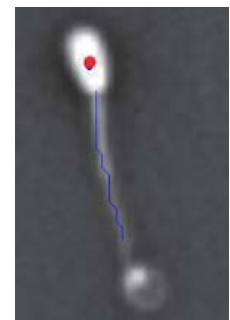
Distal droplet



Distal Midpiece
reflex

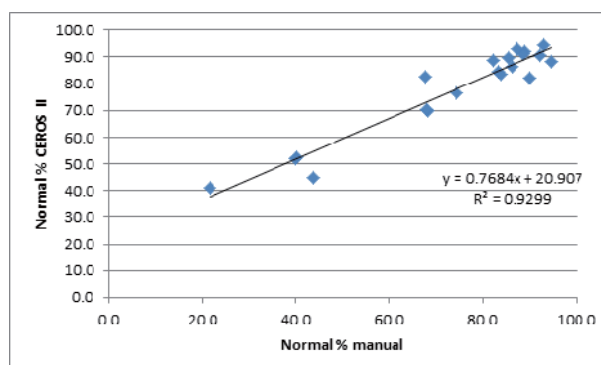
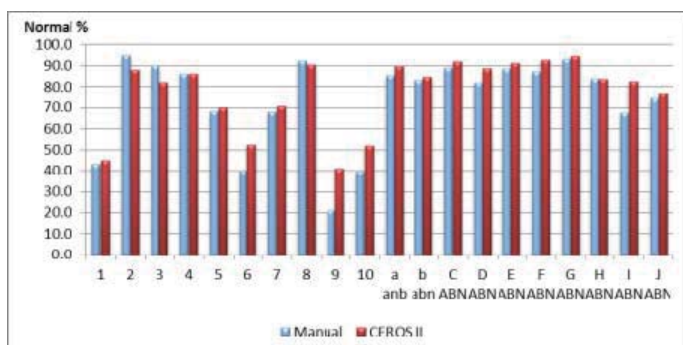


Bent tail



Coiled tail

Proven results on automated morphological abnormalities detection



	P Normal %	Average difference %
CEROS 2 / Manual	0.319	9.8%

Good correlation between automated detection and manual counting.

Report viewer and designer

✓ Creation of entirely new form

Board ID:

bowl2

Genetic Line:

brightness head 230

Analysis Date:

7/12/2012

Print Date:

11/7/2012

Collection Tech:

proximal droplet 6.5 distal 0

Lab Tech:

Mr Gates

Hamilton Thorne

100 Cummings Center, Suite 461E

Beverly, MA 01832

	Count	Sample M	Concentration M/ml	Percent Of Total
Total	201	231965	515.48	100
Static	200	230811	512.91	99.5
Progressive	0	0	0.00	0.00
Motile	0	0	0.00	0.00
Slow	0	0	0.00	0.00

	Count	Sample M	Concentration M/ml	Percent Of Total
Best Tail	0	0	0.00	0.00
Coiled Tail	0	0	0.00	0.00
DMR	0	0	0.00	0.00
Distal Droplet	0	0	0.00	0.00
Proximal Droplet	40	46162	102.58	19.9

Ejaculate Volume:

450

Diluent:

10

Sperm Per Dose:

3000

Dose Volume:

70

Extender Volume:

5390

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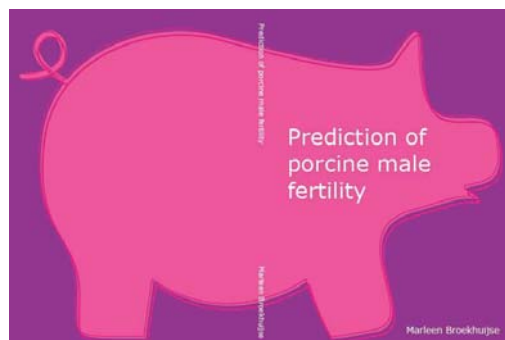
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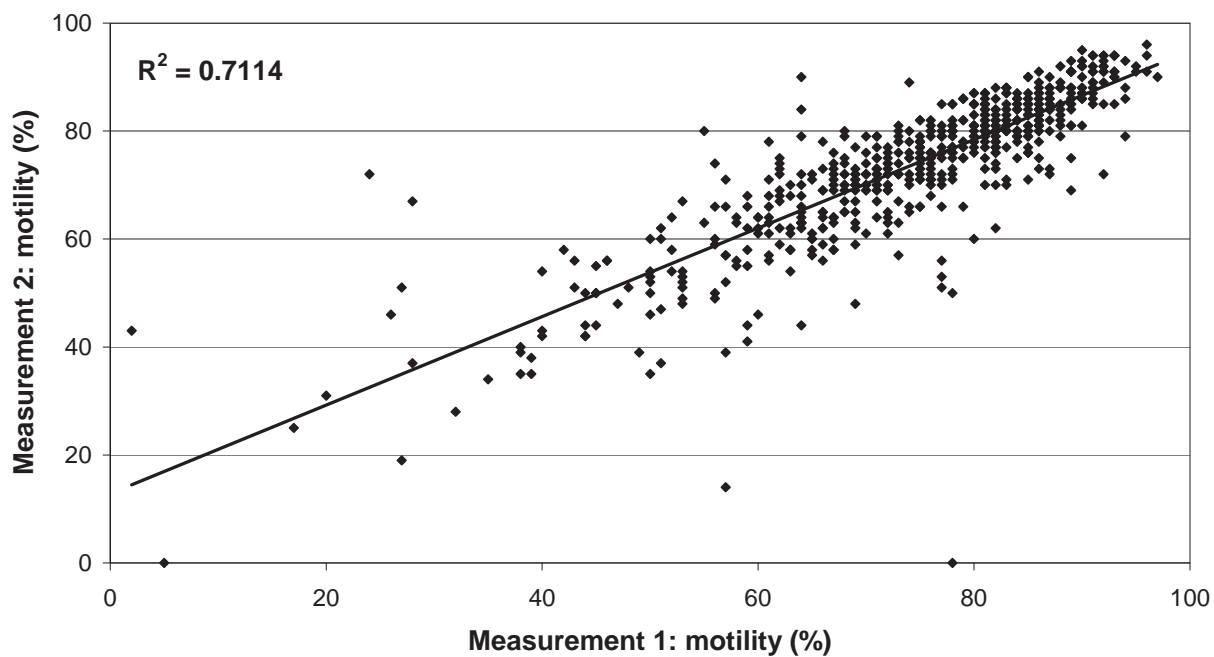


Utrecht University results

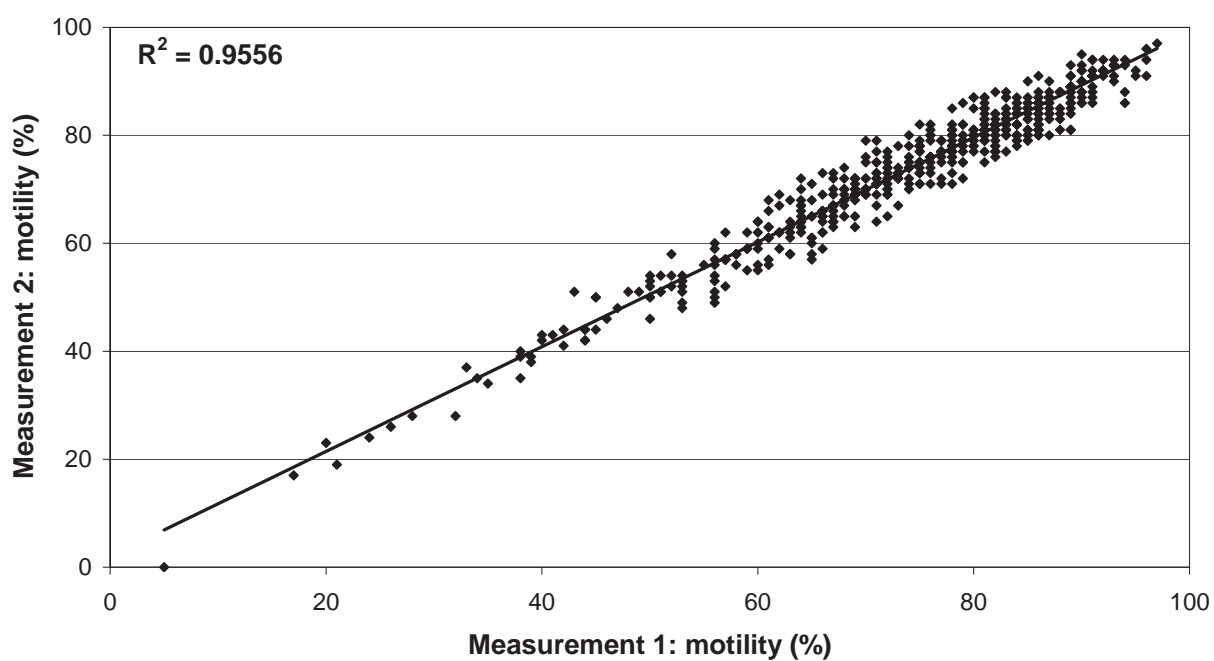
- Work done by Marleen Broekhuijse
- PhD: Prediction of porcine male fertility, 2012
Utrecht University in cooperation with Pig AI Netherlands
- Current job: combining pigs and cattle
 - TOPIGS Research Center IPG
 - CRV



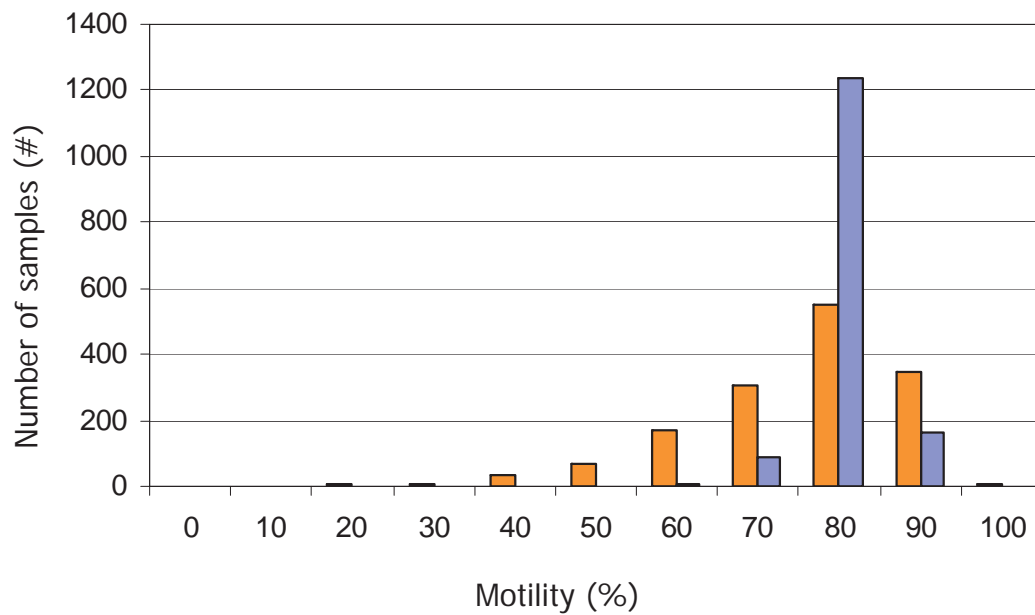
Repeatability before training



Repeatability current situation



1,500 ejaculates, microscope vs. CASA

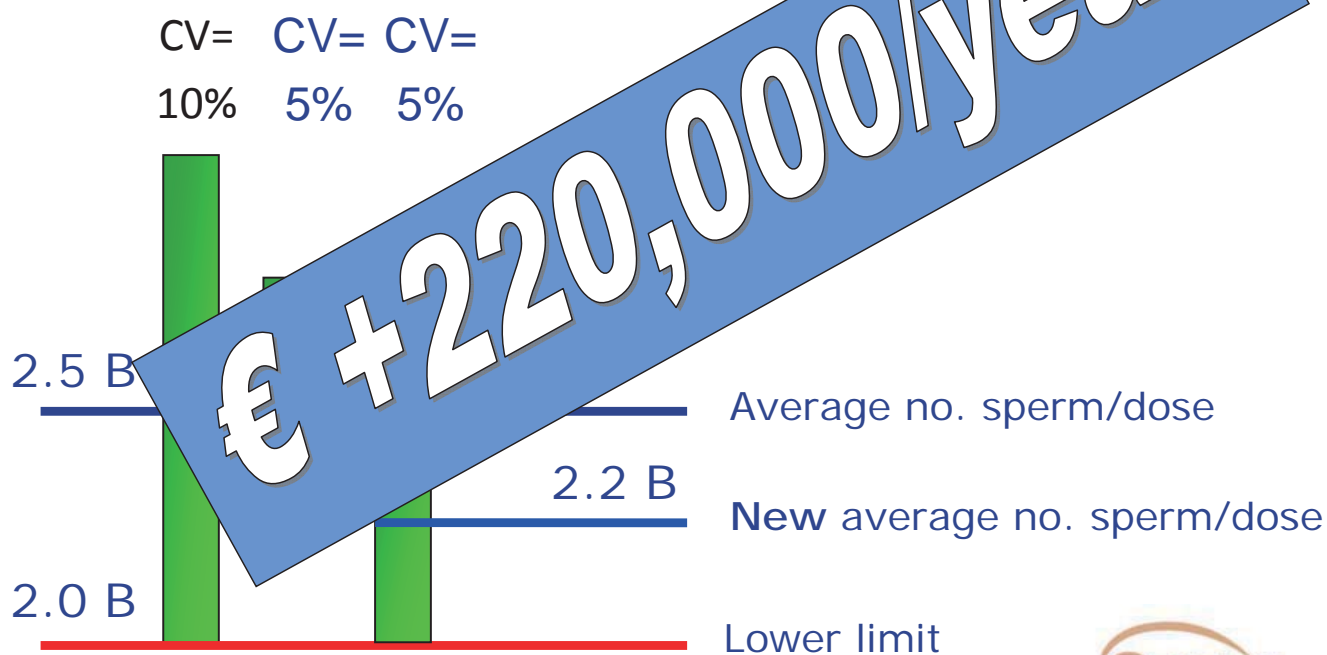


Potential benefits

- ↓ Cells / dose
- ↑ Doses produced per ejac.
- ↓ Costs per year
- ↓ Collection costs per year



- Production doses/year: 3.5 million
- No. boars present: 1,560
- No. labs: 7
- No. systems required: 7 ph / 14 CASA
- CV photometer: 10%
- CV CASA (assumed) 5%
- No. sperm per dose: 2.5 billion
- No. doses per ejaculate: ± 32



Why to use a photometer ?

- First step in semen analysis (concentration)
- Cost effective
- Rapid solution
- Reliable




Why to use a CASA system ?

- Standardization (if several lab technicians)
- More parameters analyzed AND automatically
- Data storage : traceability and help for decision
- Easier for training

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Light microscopy	SpectroPhotometry	CASA
Makes Invisible visible Basic, cheap	Estimates concentration (number of spermatozoa per ml) Quick, cheap	Objective interpretation of images/external aspect of spermatozoa Objective measures

➤ Very good but limited

➤ Optical methods = limited to motility, morphology and concentration → crucial physiological parameters for fertilisation are not encountered

CYTOMETRY



Cell

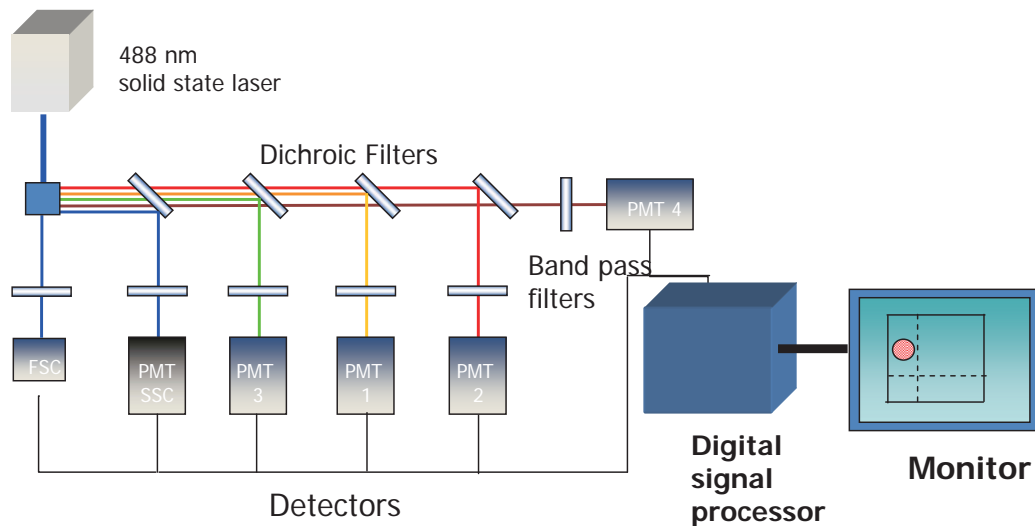
Measurement

➤ Flow cytometry:

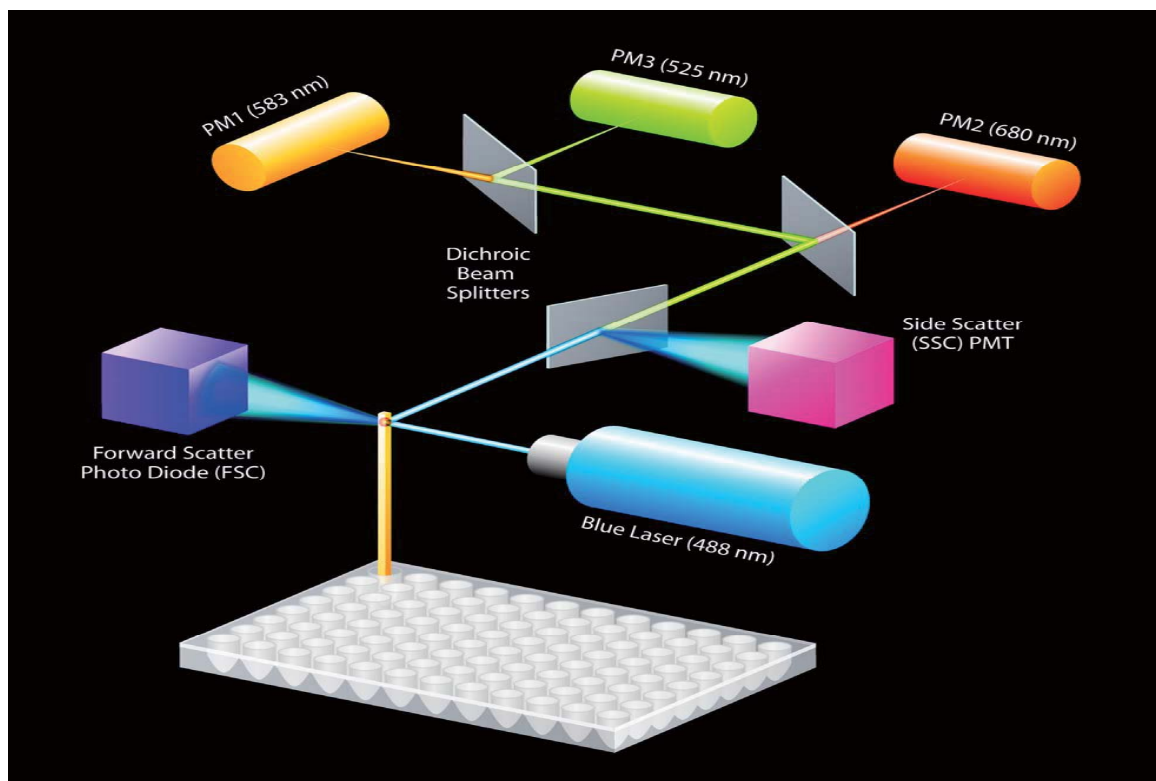
Flow cytometry is a powerful technique for the analysis of multiple parameters of individual cells within heterogeneous populations.

A typical flow cytometer layout

- A flow cytometer is made up of five main systems
 - **Fluidic system:** presents samples in front of the laser and takes away the waste
 - **The laser:** light source for scatter and fluorescence
 - **Filter:** to route specified wavelengths of light to detectors
 - **Detectors:** photodiodes and photomultiplier tubes (PMT) to receive the light
 - **Electronics and peripheral computer system:** convert the signals from the detectors into digital data and perform the necessary analyses.



A typical flow cytometer layout



IMV proposes a complete solution for semen analysis by flow cytometry :

- A range of flow cytometers
- Validated protocols for bull and boar semen
- Adapted softwares to analyze and store the data
- Technical support
- Ready to use kit
- Washing solution especially developed for semen

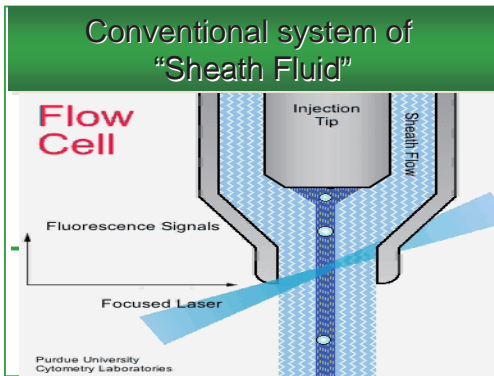


IMV flow cytometer Easy Cyte

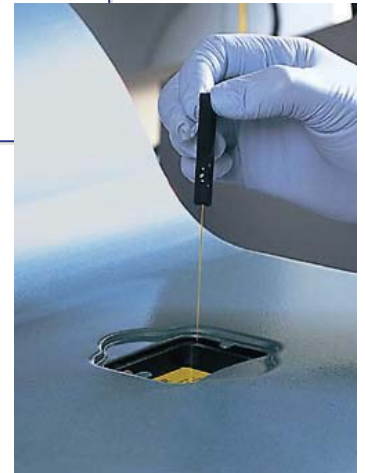
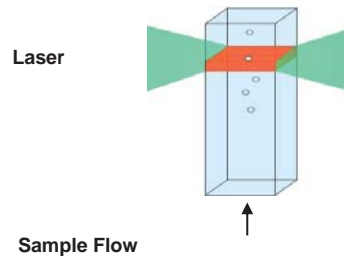
- One **machine** (the flow cytometer)
- One **computer** (laptop with the machine)
- One **software** for data analysis and interpretation
- Installation, training, After sale service, technical support

→ **Easycyte 5HT: semen analyser, compact and user friendly**





System patented by GUAVA



Advantages:

1. Absolut count
2. Less sample
3. Less reagents
4. Less disposable liquid
5. Less training sessions
6. Less maintenance

Why use a flow cytometer?

ASSAY	Microscope	CASA	Easy Cyte [®]
Motility	++	+++	-
Concentration	+	+++	+++
Viability	+	+++	+++
Acrosome	+	+	+++
merocyanine	-	-	+++
oxydation	-	-	+++
mitopotential	-	-	+++
Other physiological tests	-	-	+++

→ new parameters for higher prediction of semen fertility

A range of flow cytometers



	easyCyte 8HT	easyCyte 6HT/2L	easyCyte 5HT
Cat #	0500-4008	0500-4007	0500-4005
Laser	Blue/Red	Blue/Red	Blue
Forward Scatter	X	X	X
Side Scatter	X	X	X
Green	X	X	X
Yellow	X	X	X
Red1	X	X	X
NIR1	X		
Red2	X	X	
NIR2	X		
96-well plate	X	X	X

Different machines to answer to different customers needs:

- EasyCyte 5HT more for production centers, AI centers for quality control
- EasyCyte 8HT et 6HT2L more for research laboratories



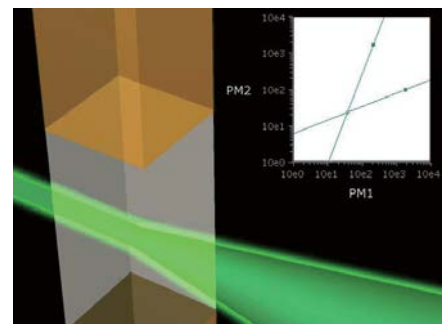
Easy Cyte: How does it work?

1/ PREPARE (validated protocols)

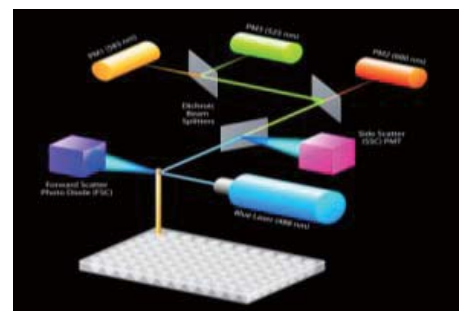
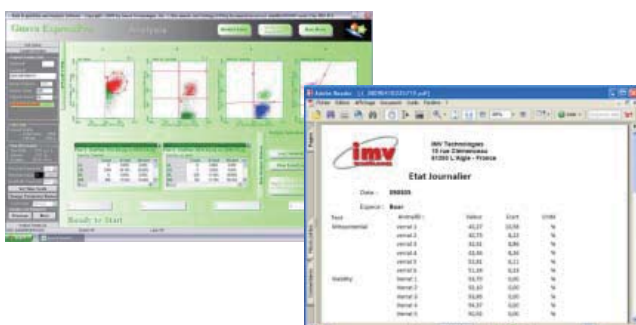
1. Incubate the semen sample with the reagent
2. The reagents are going to attach the cell structure (membrane, nucleus) or react with the cell enzymes
3. Introduce the 96 wells plate or tube in the flow cytometer
4. PMT (photomultipliers) will measure the fluorescent light emitted by these reagents



2/ ACQUISITION (pre-arranged settings)



3/ READ (cytosoft) & STORE RESULTS (easysoft)



Each protocol develop by IMV is validated according to this validation plan:

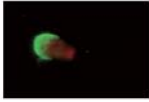
- Each assay should be validated on at least two species: boar and bull
- For each assay a positive control need to be done
- Define the optimum concentration of fluorochrome for a given number of spermatozoa.
- Compare the results from easycyte with epifluorescence microscope.
- Validate the test on a range : bad/good samples
- Test the repeatability between wells
- Assess the stability of the signal in the time (read the plate each 10minutes).
- Test the reproducibility of the assay

Material



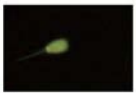
Viability & Acrosome integrity assay

- % of dead sperm (PI red): membrane status
- % of reacted acrosome (PNA-FITC Green) : acrosome status



Viability

- Indicator of sperm membrane integrity
- Difference between live sperm (green)SYBR14/dead (red)PI



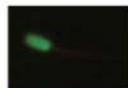
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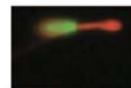
Dead

Membrane Fluidity test

- Phospholipid disorders (Merocyanine red)



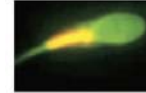
Normal organization



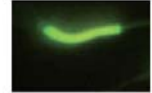
Membrane phospholipid disorder

Mitochondrial activity assay

- Polarized Mitochondria (JC1 orange); depolarized Mitochondria (JC 1 green)



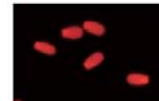
High potential



Low potential

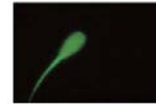
Sperm count

total number of sperm cells



Oxidation level test

- Detection of free radicals in spermatozoa
- H2DCFDA (green)



Strongly oxidized

IMV flow cytometer : easyCyte

➤ AIM: This test indicates the % of viable spermatozoa: cells with intact plasma membrane over the sperm head.

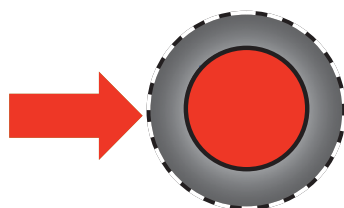
Intact plasma membrane is crucial for every cellular process, since spermatozoa lack the capacity of membrane damage repair.

➤ Protocol:

-X μ L PI +Y μ L SYbr14 + 0,5 μ L bull semen + 196 μ L easybuffer

-Incubate 10 minutes at 37°C

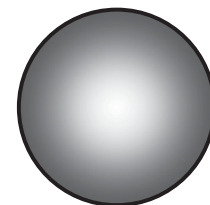
-Acquire 5000 events



Non-Viable Cell



Viable Cell



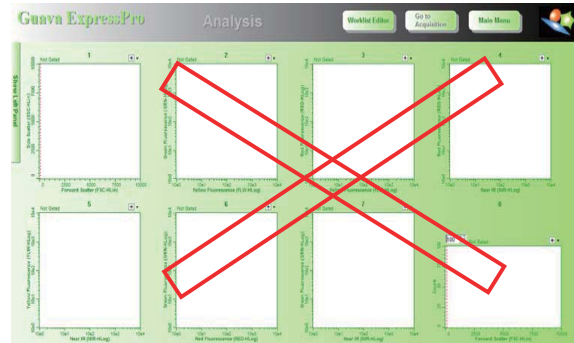
Not a Cell

- Cytosoft: to acquire and analyze the samples.

IMV's software: pre-arranged settings

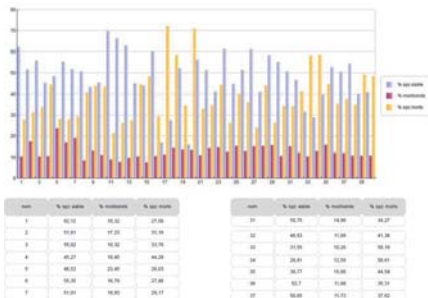


conventional's software: no pre-arranged settings



- Easysoft: to store the data and make reports

pdf



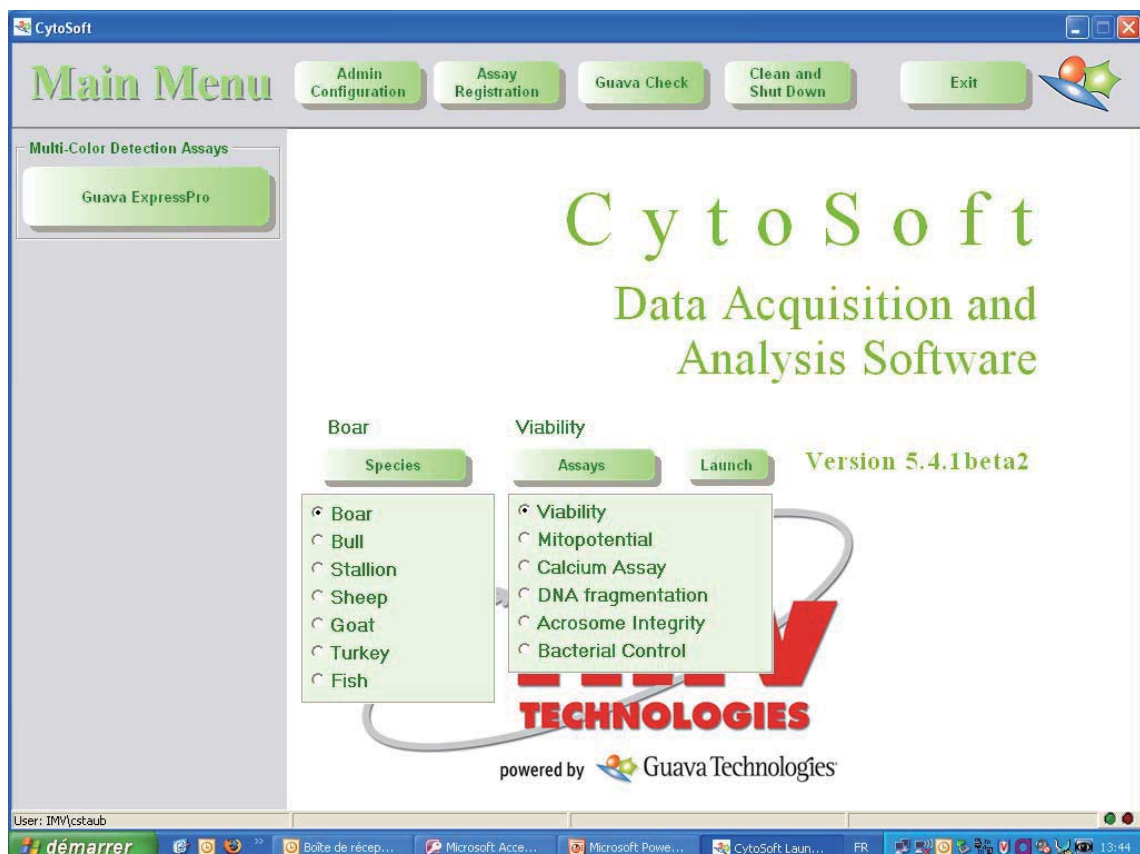
excel

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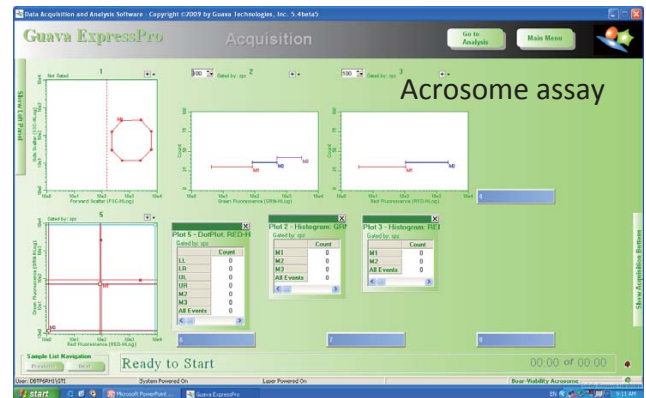


CytoSoft: pre-arranged settings prepared

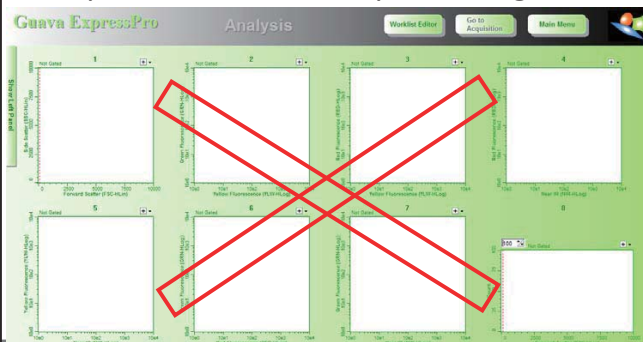




IMV's software: 1 protocol = 1 specific setting



Millipore's software: no pre-arranged settings



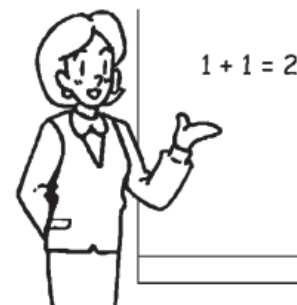
BEFORE THE EASYSOFT



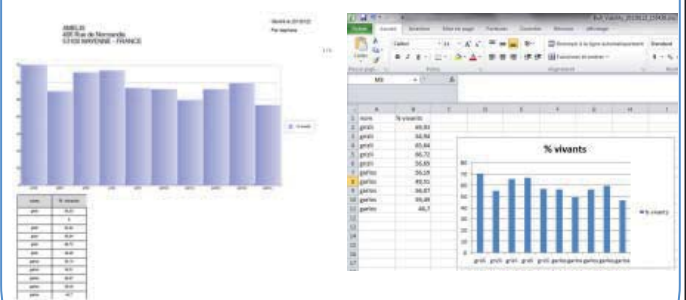
Which value am I interested in?

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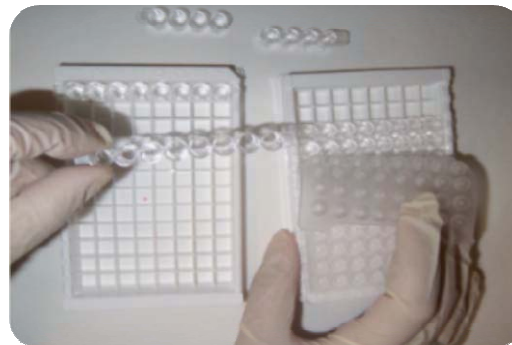
Really Easy: here is the report you want



-Export in pdf or excel file
- bar chart already done

A real innovation : ready-to-use kits

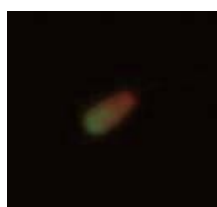
- Breakable wells
- Lyophilized fluorochromes
- Validated for bovine and porcine
- Safety : reduces handling of fluorochromes
- EasyKit contains :
 - 5 plates of 96 wells with lyophilized fluorochromes
 - 1 working base
 - 1 black lid
- Available in:
 - **EasyKit 1 : viability or concentration**
 - **EasyKit 2 : Mitochondrial activity**
 - **Easykit 3 and 4 : oxydation; coming soon**



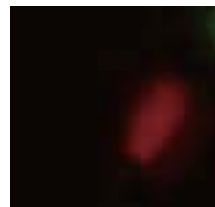
Viable spz



Dying spz

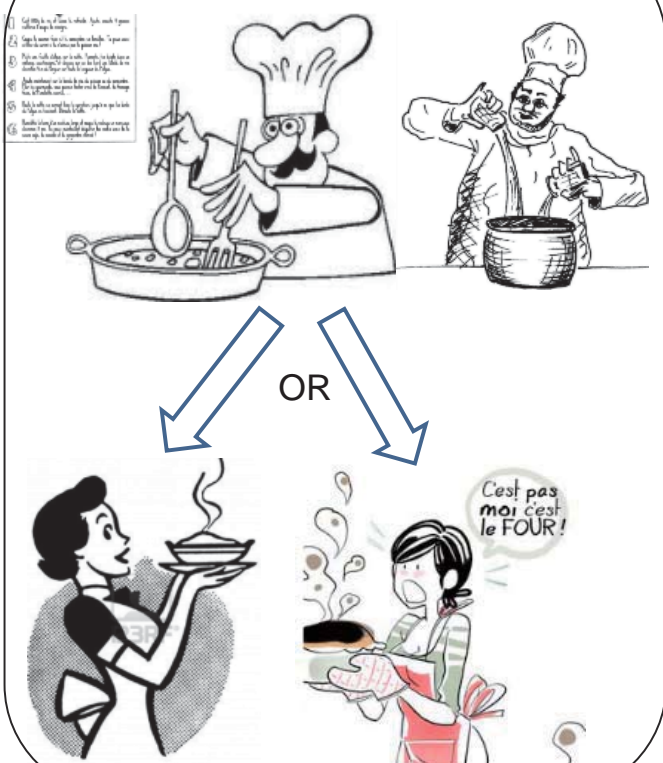


Dead spz



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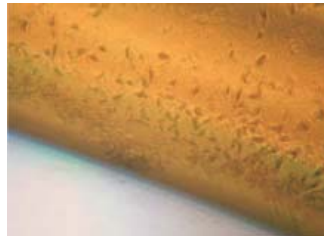


**EASYKIT makes your life easier
and no risk of protocol error.**

BEFORE THE EASYCLEAN



Millipore's product

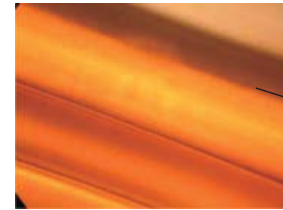


dirty capillary

NOW WITH EASYCLEAN



IMV's product



clean capillary



- ✓ Washing solution especially developed for semen application.
- ✓ The number of clogg decrease
- ✓ The shelf life of the capillary increase



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- ✓ Done by Dr Andrea Galli; Spallanzani Institute, Italy.
- ✓ Aim of the study: COMPARISON between NucleoCounter and EasyCyte for Concentration and Membrane Integrity measures using Bland Altman method
- ✓ 64 batches
 - Extender → Transparent , Opaque
 - 4 straws per batch (thawed for 1' at 37°C and pooled)



Instruments - Description

NUCLEO COUNTER

The NucleoCounter SP-100 (ChemoMetec A/S, Allerød, Denmark) is an instrument with a fluorescence microscope and an integrated digital video camera. It uses "cassette" with PI and fixed volume.

Membrane Integrity is evaluated comparing the concentration of spermatozoa after disrupting and without disrupting plasma membranes.



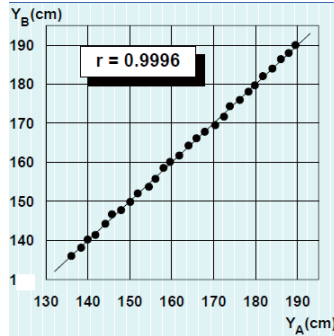
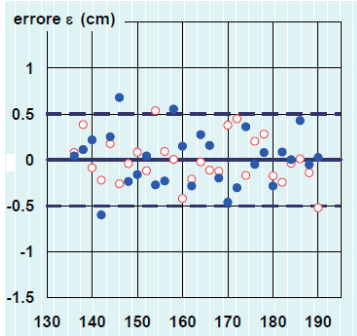
EASY CYTE

The EasyCyte™ Plus (IMV Technologies, L'Aigle, France) is a flow cytometer dedicated for semen analysis with microcapillary technology.

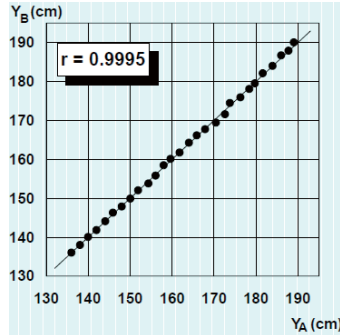
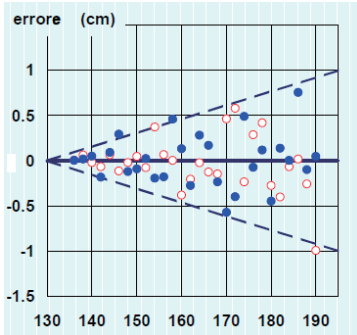
The fluid system is simpler than traditional instruments and utilizes smaller sample volumes.

IMV has developed kits for several semen analysis.





Good Agreement
High correlation



Poor Agreement
High correlation

CORRELATION COEFFICIENT

It does not measure the **degree of agreement** between two methods but only their **linear association**



Bland-Altman method

Alternative method, based on **graphical techniques** and **simple calculations**

Created in 1983 by Bland J M & Altman D G (*);

Used to assess **agreement** between two methods of clinical measurement.

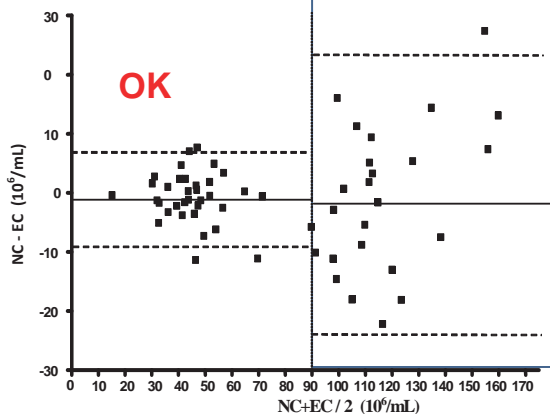
I answer to the question:

By how much the new instrument is likely to differ from the old one?

(*) **Bland J M & Altman D G.** Statistical methods for assessing agreement between two methods of clinical measurement. *Lancet* 1:307-10, 1986.



CONCENTRATION - Bland-Altman Plot



Concentration $\geq 90 \times 10^6 / \text{mL}$

NOT GOOD AGREEMENT

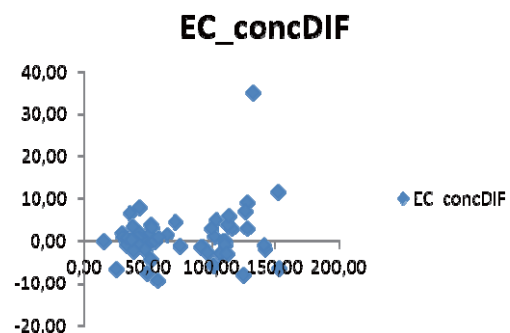
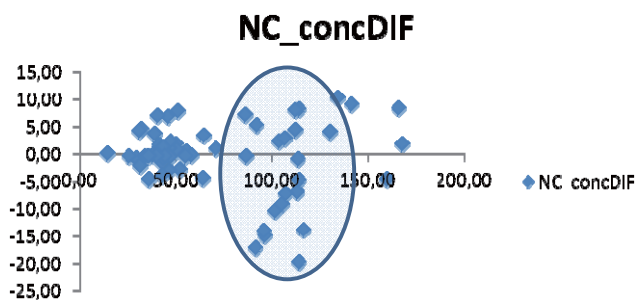
Concentration $< 90 \times 10^6 / \text{mL}$

GOOD AGREEMENT

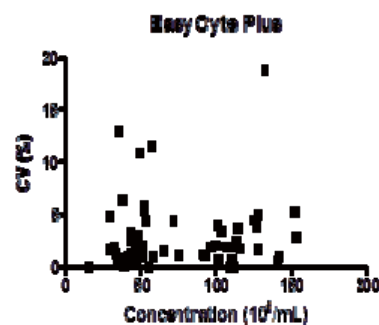
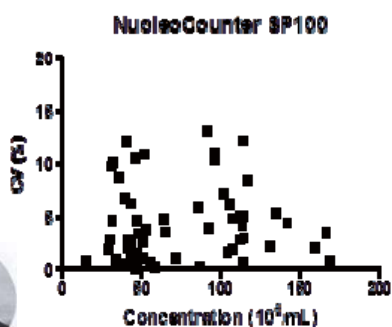
The agreement between the two methods of analysis varies with respect to values of concentration.

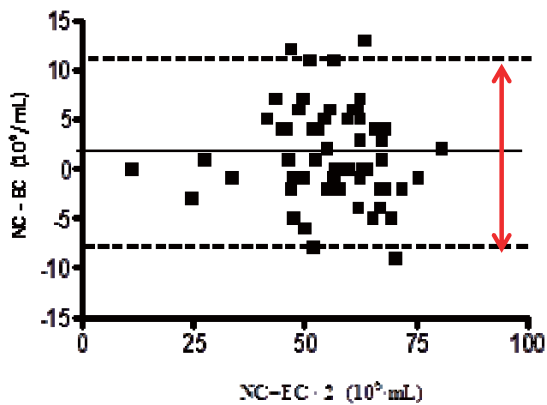


CONCENTRATION - Repeatability



EasyCyte is more accurate than NucleoCounter
(mean CV \rightarrow 2.90% versus 5.07%).



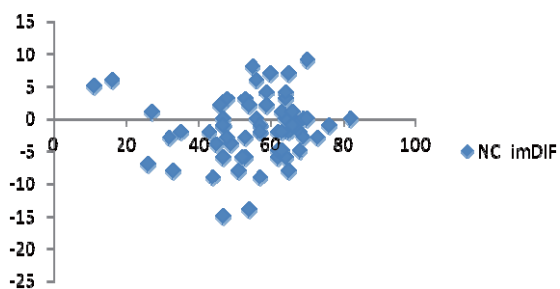


Overview of difference plots with mean differences (solid lines) and 95% limits of agreement (dashed lines; **-7.9** to **10.8%**).

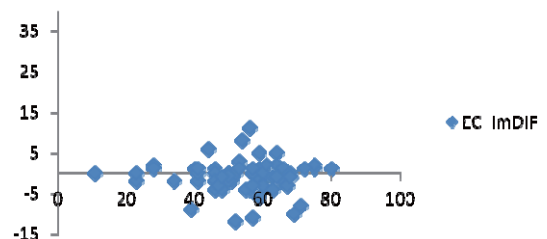
VERY GOOD AGREEMENT



NC Dif vs Mean

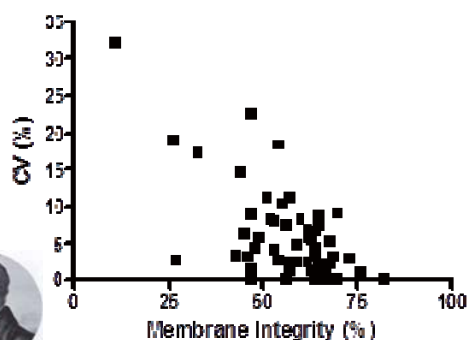


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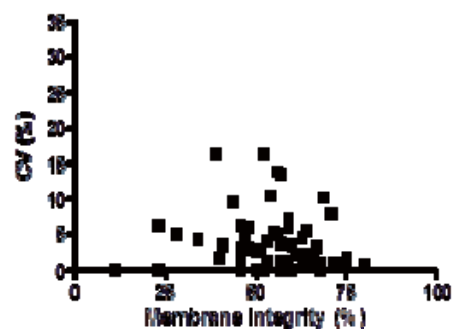


EasyCyte is more accurate than NucleoCounter
(mean CV \rightarrow 3.78% versus 5.69%).

NucleoCounter SP-100



EasyCyte



- ✓ **Eacy Cyte more accurate** (less variability between 1° and 2° measures).
- ✓ Good Agreement between Nucleo Counter and Easy Cyte for Concentration only for samples with $< 90 \times 10^6$ spermatozoa / mL.
- ✓ Good Agreement between Nucleo Counter and Easy Cyte for Membrane Integrity.



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Semen :

- 30 roosters = 10 roosters of 3 different strains (A, B and C)

In vitro parameters tested :

MOTILITY : CASA Analysis D0 and D1

VIABILITY : Easycyte Analysis D0 and D1

MITOPOTENTIAL : Easycyte Analysis D0 and D1

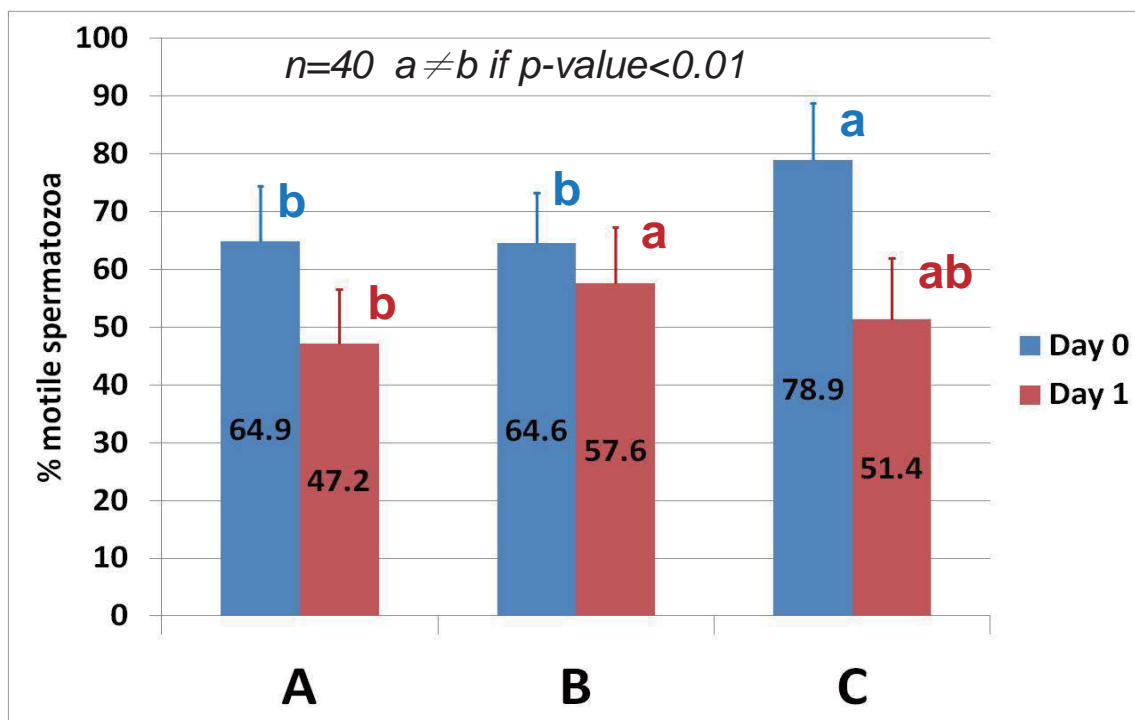
OXIDATION : Easycyte Analysis D0 and D1

MEROCYANINE : Easycyte Analysis after thermoresistance 2h 37°C D0

CALCIUM : Easycyte Analysis D0 + thermoresistance 2h 37°C D1

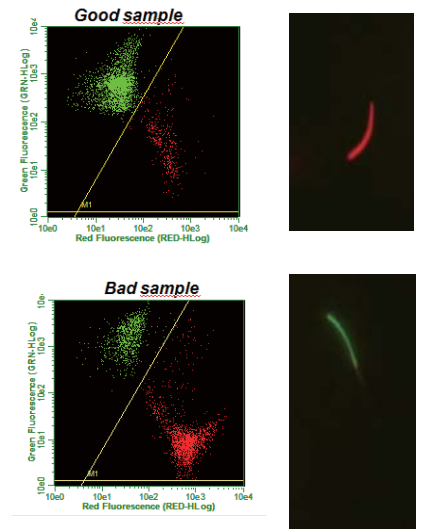
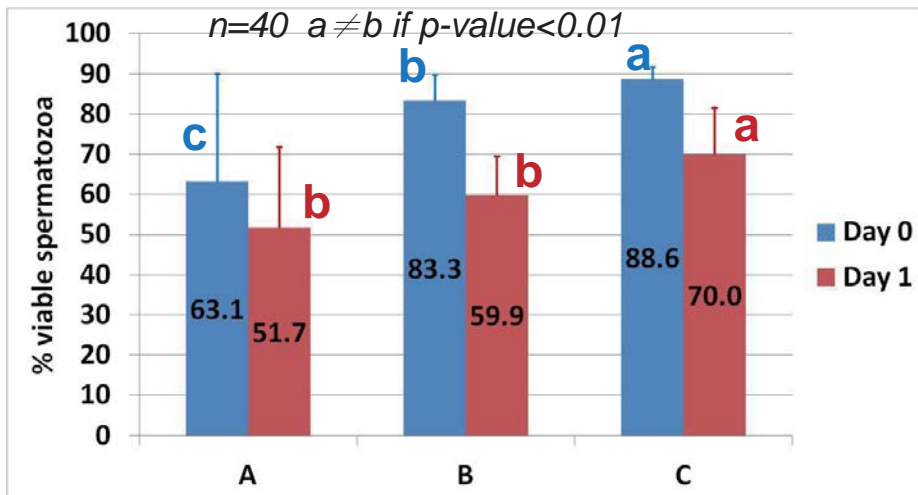


Rooster semen quality : **MOTILITY**

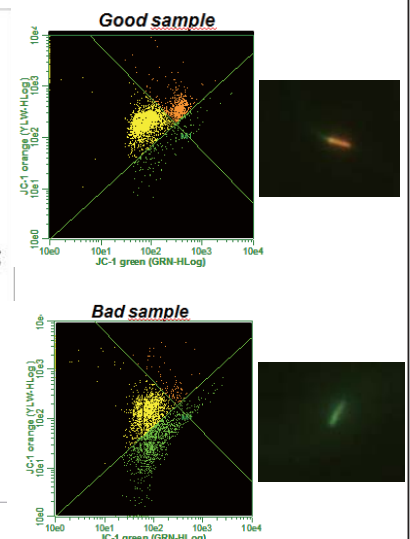
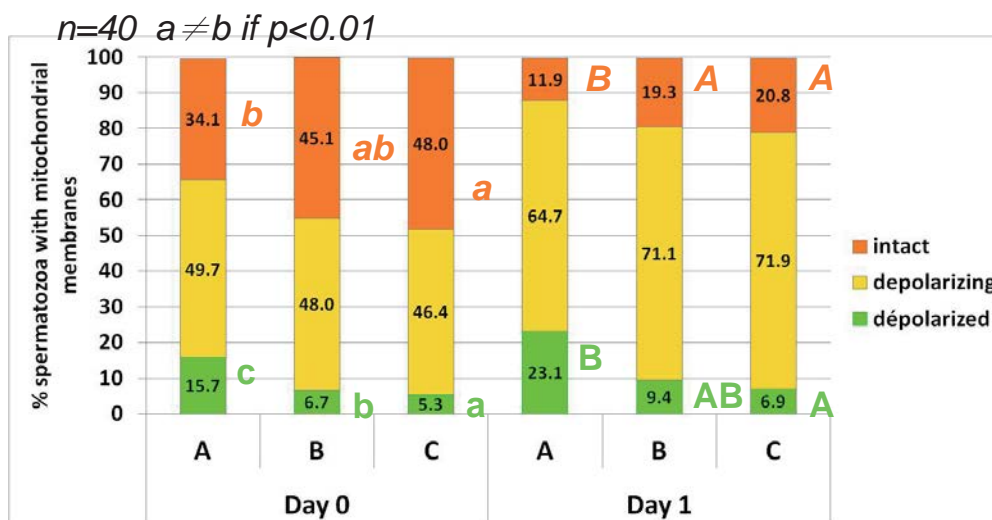


- strain#C shows the better motility at day 0
- strain#B keeps the most stable motility during 30 hours
- Bredd#A is significantly lower than C at day 0 and B at day 1

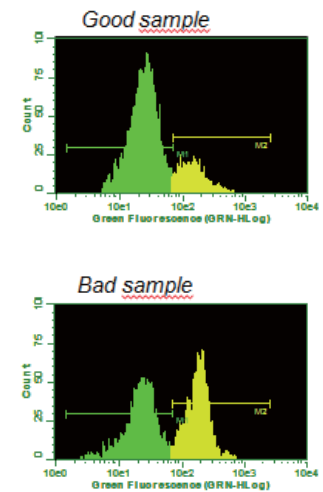
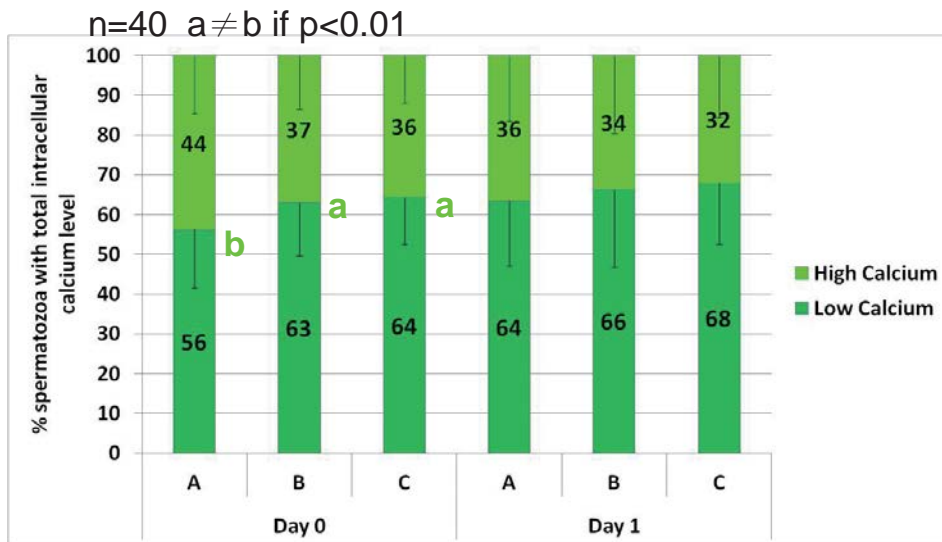




- strain#A shows a significantly lower membrane integrity than B and C at day 0 and than C at day 1
- strain#B is significantly lower than C at day 1
- strain#C has the significantly higher membrane integrity



- strain#A shows a significantly higher depolarization of mitochondrial membranes at day 0 and day 1 than B and C
- strain#B is in the middle
- strain#C shows the higher integrity of mitochondrial membranes during 30 hours



- strain#A contains significantly lower calcium at day 0 than B and C
- Individual effect (high standard deviations)



Statistic notes for *in vitro* parameters tested : (NS=no significative difference)

Breed	motility		viability		mitopotential		merocyanine	oxidation		calcium	
Day	D0	D1	D0	D1	D0	D1	D0	basal	induced	D0	D1
A	b	b	c	b	b+c	b+b	NS	b	NS	b	a
B	b	a	b	b	ab+b	a+ab	NS	a	NS	a	a
C	a	ab	a	a	a+a	a+a	NS	a	NS	a	a

Considering a=2, b=1 and c=0, strains can be graded :

BREED	DAY	MOTILITY	VIABILITY	MITOPOTENTIAL	BASAL OXIDATION	CALCIUM	TOTAL
A	Day 0	1	0	1	1	1	0.8
B	Day 0	1	1	1.5	2	2	1.5
C	Day 0	2	2	2	2	2	2
A	Day 1	1	1	1	1	2	1.2
B	Day 1	2	1	2	2	2	1.8
C	Day 1	1.5	2	2	2	2	1.9

STRAIN	GRADE
A	1.4
B	2.4
C	2.95

It was confirmed by the producer that strain C is more fertile than the other strains

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« Use of in vitro assessed semen quality criteria to predict fertility of bull semen » by UNCEIA in collaboration with IMV

Experimental design

72 Holstein bulls
1 ejaculate / bull

- For each ejaculate, an adjusted Fertility Value (FV) estimated from non-return rates at 28 days (NRR28)

- NRR28 issued from 613±99 inseminations per bull (100 to 763), and adjusted on the same environment factors as the French breeding values model

- FVs ranged from -12,8 to +9,2 between bulls



Motility and morphological abnormalities



CASA parameters :
VAP, VCL, ALH...



Viability, acrosom status, mitopotential, cellular oxidation, chromatin condensation
(EasyCyte 5HT ; IMV Technologies)

Correlation between each parameter and FV

Multiple regression models (proc REG/stepwise SAS®) to estimate simultaneously parameters effects on FV

Descriptive statistics and correlation coefficient (R) between individual parameter and FV

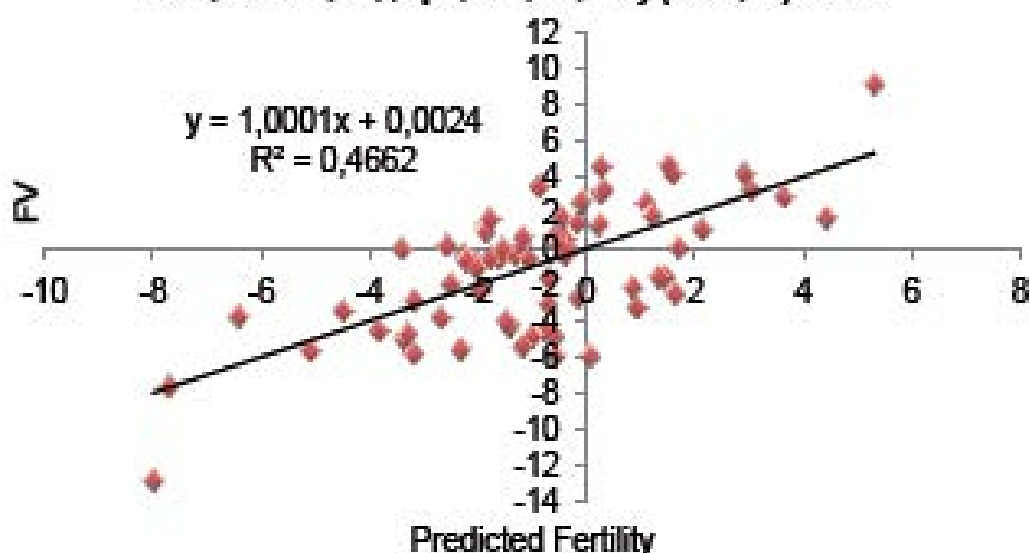
Parameter	Mean	St-D	Correlation coefficient with FV (p)
Acrosome damage in live sperm (%)	2,47	1,62	-0,032 (p=0,791)
Viability (%)	52,7	9,9	0,164 (p=0,169)
Mitopotential (mifu)	738	209	0,322 (p=0,006)
Oxidation (%)	66,1	8,28	0,294 (p=0,012)
Oxidation 2 (fluorescent unit)	73,1	29	0,28 (p=0,010)
Morphological abnormalities	21,5	5,8	-0,262 (p=0,026)
Chromatine condensation (mifu)	114,1	8,7	-0,331 (p=0,004)
CASA/ VAP (µm/s)	111,4	7,5	0,142 (p=0,233)

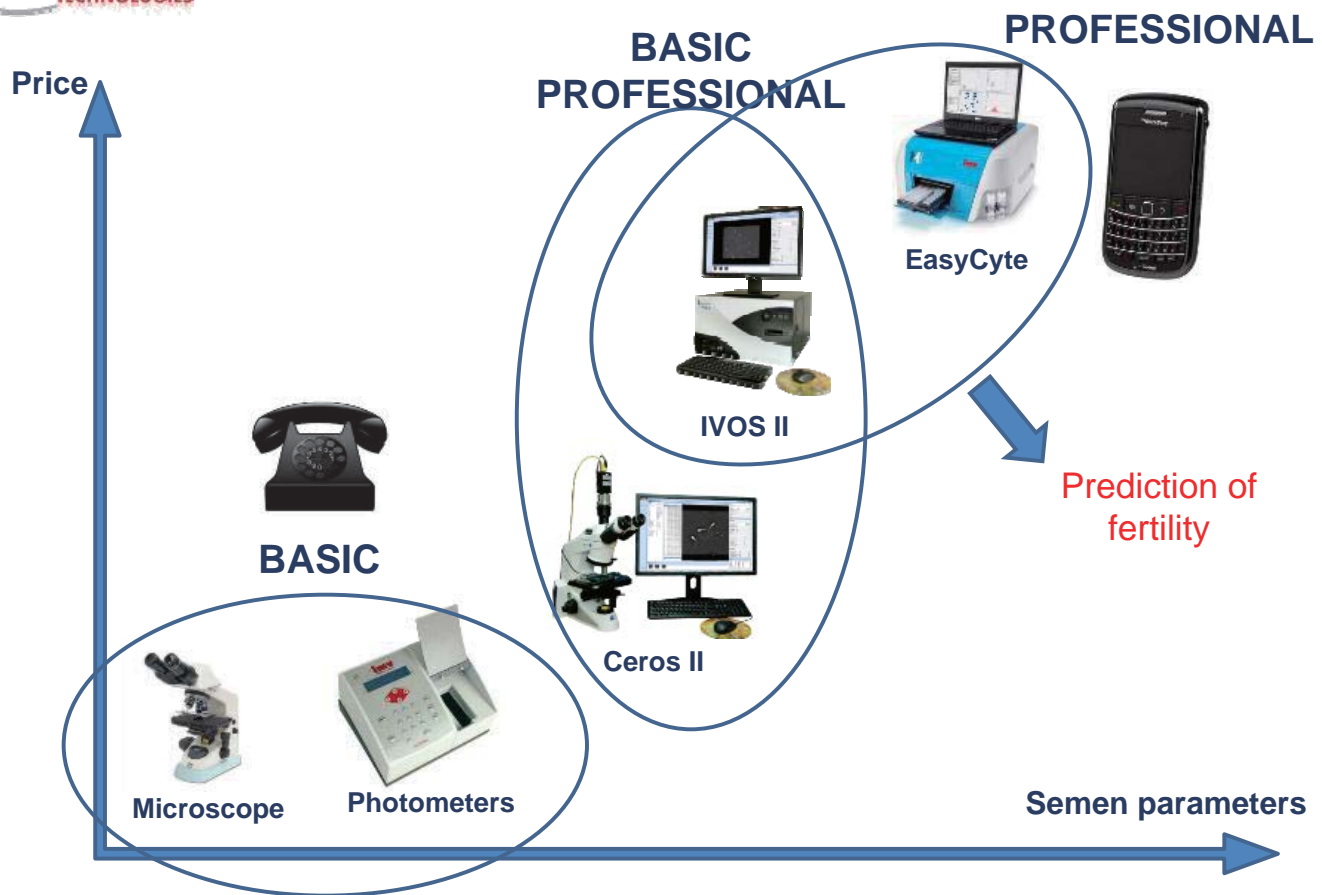
Two multiple regression models with an accurate prediction of FV

Model A : 4 flow cytometer tests, $R=0,64$, $p<0,0001$

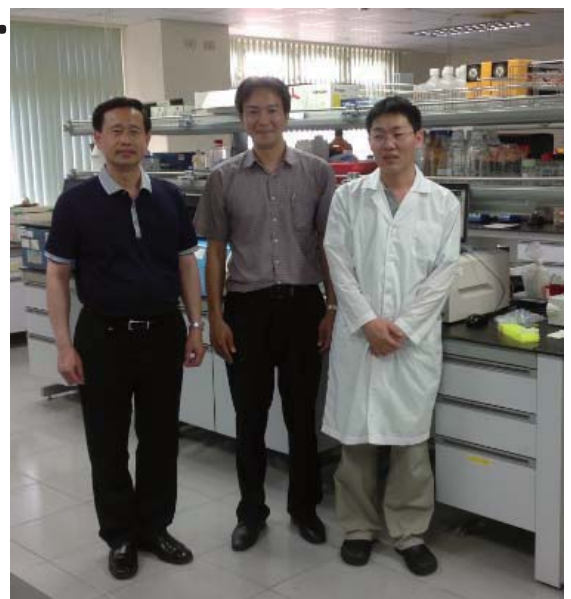
Model B : Model A + morphological abnormalities $R=0,69$, $p<0,0001$

Correlation between predicted fertility (model B) and FV

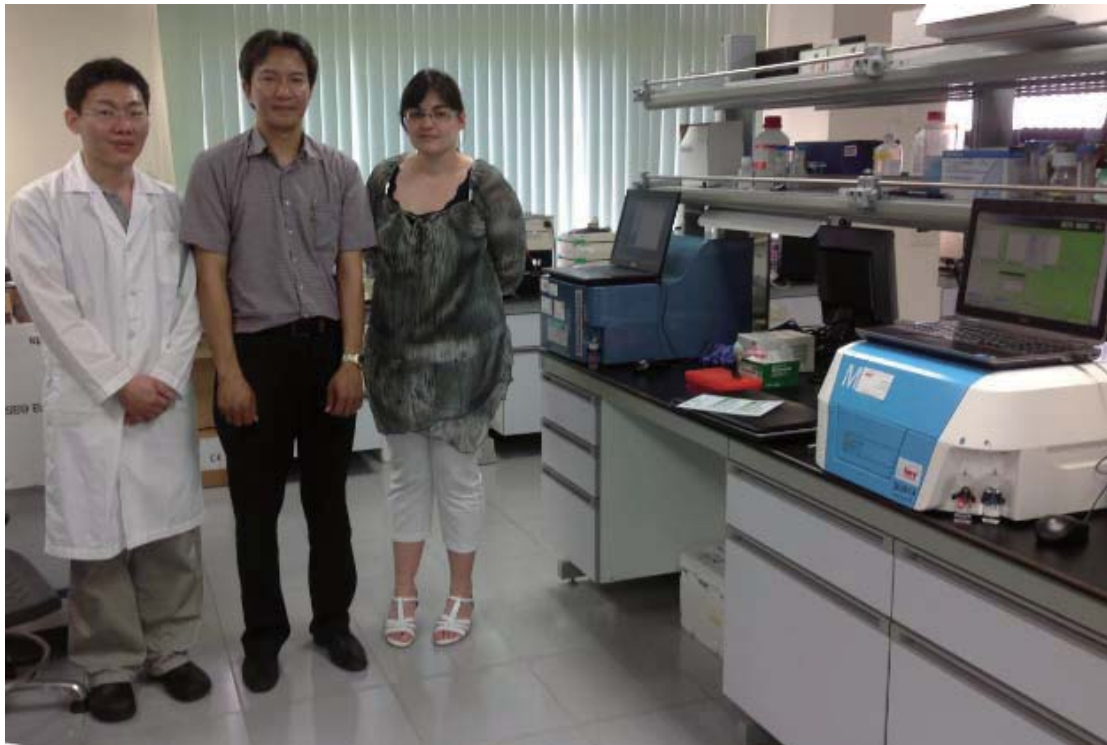




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FLOW CYTOMETRY EXPERT TEAM



Thank you for
your attention!

