

Some info on Men's Fertility...

While it used to be thought that it was mostly a woman's health that mattered for having babies, new research is confirming what Chinese Medicine has known for thousands of years... It takes two to make a healthy baby

CAUSES OF INFERTILITY

- 39% = male and female subfertility
- 33% = female subfertility
- 20% = male factor subfertility
- 8% = unexplained infertility

WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION SPERM LEVELS

The World Health Organisation's guidelines for men that fathered a child in 12 months were:

- Semen volume: 2.2—4.2ml
- Sperm concentration: 36—100 million per ml
- Total sperm number: 101—336 million per ejaculate
- Progressive motility: above 49% (ones that swim forward)
- Normal morphology: above 10% (% of normally shaped sperm. Housing the DNA to make babies)
 See an easy to read explainer of these guideline <u>here</u> and the actual paper is <u>here</u>.

SOME EXTRA STUDIES

- Here's how morphology and poor sperm health correlates with early miscarriage/ spontaneous pregnancy loss
- Here's info on how <u>inflammation</u> (poor diet, dehydration, lack of sleep) and oxidative stress and the role it can play in recurrent pregnancy loss
- Here's why mobile phones should never be in pants front pockets
- Here's some info on cycling affecting fertility.
- Here's some info on how <u>drinking</u> can affect fetal development

CAN INTEGRATIVE CHINESE MEDICINE HELP?

Acupuncture helps reduce <u>stress</u>. This helps the body make fertility hormones like Testosterone and improves pelvic blood flow (no Acu points near the groin area!) By helping improve <u>sleep</u> and <u>digestion</u>, your body has enough resources to do extra things like make

great sperm!

Questions? please get in touch!

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