

Supplementary Material

Are the follicular fluid characteristics of recovered COVID-19 patients different from those of vaccinated women approaching in vitro fertilization?

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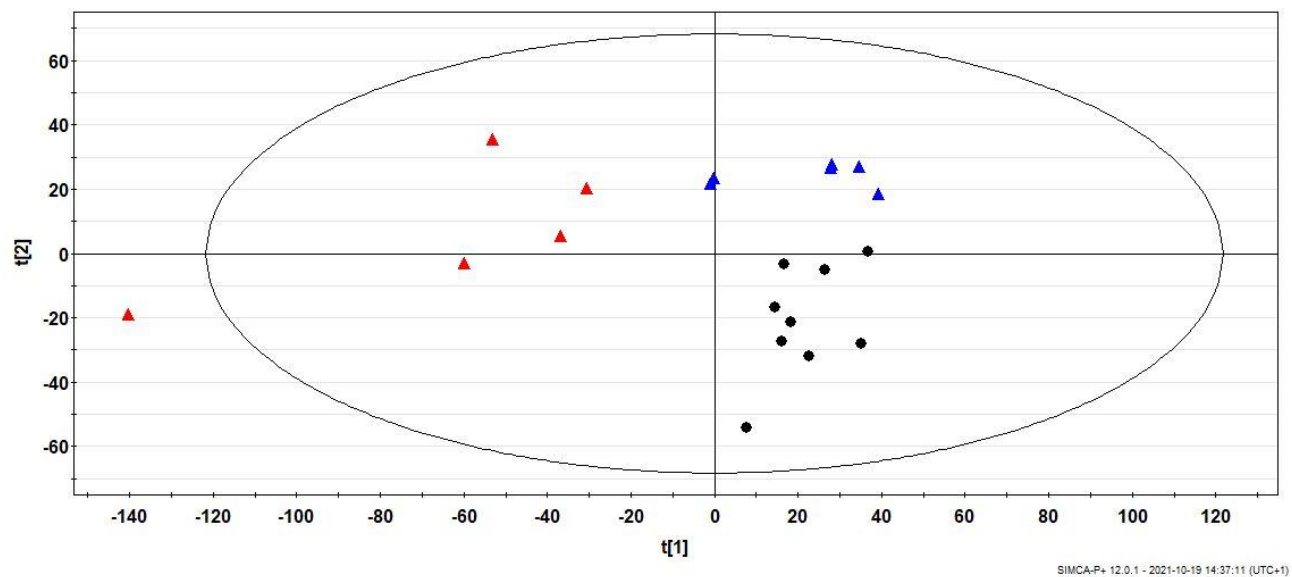
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Supplementary Table 1 - Symptoms presented by SARS-CoV-2 positive patients before undergoing IVF treatments.

Symptoms	SARS-CoV-2 patients (N =5)
<i>Fever</i>	3
<i>Arthralgia</i>	2
<i>Aphonia</i>	1
<i>Weakness</i>	2
<i>Odour-blindness</i>	2

Supplementary Figure 1. PLS-DA score plot obtained from the ^1H -NMR FF spectral data of the 20 women examined. The $R^2\text{X}$, $R^2\text{Y}$ and Q^2 values for this two-component model were 0.48, 0.69 and 0.56, respectively. Data were coloured by group: healthy control (N=9, black dots), vaccinated (N=6, blue triangles) and recovered COVID-19 (N=5, red triangles).



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Effects of COVID19 and vaccination on follicular fluid

Supplementary Table 2. Metabolites identified by NMR which were useful to discriminate between follicular fluids of healthy control and women vaccinated against SARS-CoV-2 or recovered COVID-19 patients.

Metabolite	NMR (δ)	Healthy (n=9)	Vaccinated (n=6)	VIP	p-value	Recovered (n=5)	VIP	p-value
Ala	1.48	106.0 ± 17.4	130.8 ± 21.5	1.4	0.03	55.7 ± 25.9	1.4	0.0009
Asn	2.88	235.3 ± 266.2	63.7 ± 76.9	3.5	ns	256.7 ± 181.5	*	ns
Asp	3.80	296.4 ± 95.2	216.7 ± 76.3	2.4	ns	262.2 ± 95.1	*	ns
Asp	2.84	63.3 ± 59.7	30.9 ± 27.9	1.3	ns	132.5 ± 135.9	1.1	ns
Asp	2.76	66.8 ± 74.5	37.8 ± 24.4	1.5	ns	74.4 ± 76.5	*	ns
Cholesterol	0.88	119.5 ± 35.9	95.0 ± 30.1	1.1	ns	71.1 ± 44.2	1.2	0.04
Choline	3.16	235.9 ± 225.4	73.1 ± 61.6	3.5	ns	213.7 ± 155.9	*	ns
Choline	4.08	75.8 ± 71.5	30.6 ± 7.9	1.7	ns	16.3 ± 11.6	1.3	ns
Choline	3.52	209.5 ± 53.5	196.7 ± 62.3	*	ns	103.9 ± 41.7	2.0	0.003
Creatine	3.92	237.5 ± 64.1	258.0 ± 68.1	*	ns	168.7 ± 61.9	1.4	ns
α-Glucose	3.84	215.9 ± 61.8	273.8 ± 76.3	1.9	ns	168.1 ± 71.9	1.1	ns
α-Glucose	5.24	102.7 ± 43.8	140.8 ± 38.1	1.6	ns	129.7 ± 34.7	*	ns
β-Glucose	3.40	142.2 ± 44.5	173.2 ± 47.1	1.2	ns	84.8 ± 35.9	1.6	0.006
α-Glucose	3.48	268.4 ± 83.8	306.2 ± 96.4	1.1	ns	149.6 ± 54.2	1.9	0.01
α-Glucose	3.72	285.1 ± 57.5	305.3 ± 81.9	1.0	ns	180.4 ± 87.2	1.8	0.02
α-Glucose	3.24	364.3 ± 68.9	367.1 ± 85.1	*	ns	165.7 ± 64.1	2.9	0.0002
β -Glucose	3.44	280.3 ± 75.1	269.8 ± 75.6	*	ns	124.4 ± 48.7	2.5	0.001
β -Glucose	3.88	176.3 ± 34.2	180.7 ± 39.8	*	ns	108.9 ± 44.6	1.5	0.008
Gln	2.12	96.2 ± 24.7	100.2 ± 14.4	*	ns	44.9 ± 15.4	1.4	0.001
Gln	2.44	76.8 ± 16.7	80.1 ± 14.0	*	ns	38.7 ± 12.7	1.3	0.0008
Glu	2.08	131.1 ± 41.5	101.6 ± 10.9	1.5	ns	58.0 ± 19.3	1.7	0.003
Glycerol	3.56	204.2 ± 50.1	216.7 ± 45.4	*	ns	99.0 ± 36.9	2.0	0.001
Glycerol	3.64	71.5 ± 14.5	63.8 ± 10.8	*	ns	29.4 ± 18.2	1.3	0.001
GPC	3.68	124.4 ± 37.5	105.9 ± 18.9	*	ns	50.1 ± 34.4	1.7	0.01
β-HB	2.40	90.4 ± 16.8	79.5 ± 15.2	*	ns	45.2 ± 16.2	1.4	0.0004
Lactate	1.32	398.9 ± 208.4	539.3 ± 186.5	2.7	ns	465.6 ± 220.9	*	ns
Lipid	1.28	171.7 ± 137.7	70.1 ± 26.6	2.6	ns	57.2 ± 36.4	1.9	ns
Lipid	5.28	72.4 ± 33.3	29.9 ± 5.7	2.0	0.009	86.9 ± 49.9	*	ns
Phe	3.12	95.3 ± 104.4	51.8 ± 36.7	1.6	ns	100.7 ± 92.6	*	ns
Phe	3.28	217.3 ± 78.2	183.3 ± 51.9	1.3	ns	93.8 ± 26.1	2.1	0.006
PC	3.20	139.3 ± 66.5	129.7 ± 13.5	*	ns	59.1 ± 23.3	1.6	0.02
Pro	2.04	157.6 ± 33.3	177.9 ± 21.1	1.2	ns	90.3 ± 47.2	1.5	0.009
Pro	3.36	72. ± 23.3	192.4 ± 18.4	4.2	0.0000001	116.4 ± 68.3	1.5	ns
Pyruvate	2.36	66.3 ± 18.6	70.0 ± 12.2	*	ns	19.9 ± 8.7	1.5	0.0002
TMAO	3.32	48.2 ± 4.8	35.1 ± 5.6	1.2	0.0003	20.1 ± 11.4	1.1	0.00003
Tyr	3.04	54.6 ± 13.5	70.4 ± 14.9	1.1	ns	34.8 ± 16.1	*	0.03
Val	3.60	99.8 ± 21.2	88.7 ± 14.5	*	ns	40.2 ± 26.9	1.5	0.0006
Val	1.00	84.5 ± 19.3	81.4 ± 14.9	*	ns	46.4 ± 23.7	1.2	0.007

The average integrals of the NMR bin regions ± standard deviations are reported.

δ, NMR chemical shift

VIP, Variable Importance in the Projection

*, VIP value < 1

P values were obtained by performing t-test between healthy controls and other women's groups. ns = p-value > 0.05

GPC, Glycerophosphocholine

β-HB, β-hydroxybutyrate

PC, Phosphocholine

TMAO, trimethylamine oxide

Supplementary Figure 2. Follicular Fluids anti-Covid-19 immunoglobulins measurements. (A) one vaccinated woman; (B) one recovered COVID-19 patient; visible purple bands appear both at the control line (C-line) and the test line 2 (T2) of the cassette; (C) one healthy control woman. In (A) and (C) a visible purple band appears only at the control line (C-line) of the cassette. For all the women IgM test line (T1) was negative.

