Male reproductive health statement (XIIIth international symposium on Spermatology, may 9th–12th 2018, Stockholm, Sweden)

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Abstract

On the occasion of the XIIIth International Symposium on Spermatology held from 9 to 13 May 2018 in Stockholm (Sweden), participants (guest speakers and audience) collectively felt the need to make a public statement on the general issue of male reproductive health. Our intention is to raise awareness of what we believe is a neglected area of research despite alarming situations around the world. The disclosure strategy desired by the co-authors is to bring it to the attention of the greatest number partly by considering co-publication in the various periodicals dealing with Reproductive Biology and Andrology. BaCA’s editorial office accepted this mission and found it natural that our periodical, the official journal of the French Andrology Society (SALF), should carry this message.

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Résumé

À l’occasion du XIIème Symposium international sur la Spermatologie qui s’est tenu du 9 au 13 Mai 2018 à Stockholm (Suède), les participants (orateurs invités et l’auditoire) ont ressenti collectivement le besoin de faire une déclaration publique sur la question générale de la santé reproductive masculine. Notre intention est, de mieux faire connaître ce que nous pensons être un domaine de recherche négligé malgré des situations alarmantes dans le monde entier. La stratégie de divulgation souhaitée par les co-auteurs est, de le porter à l’attention du plus grand nombre en envisageant pour partie une co-publication dans les différents périodiques traitant de Reproduction et d’Andrologie. Le bureau éditorial de BaCA, a accepté cette mission et a trouvé naturel que notre périodique, journal officiel de la Société d’Andrologie en Langue Française (SALF) porte ce message.

Mots clés: Santé reproductive masculine, Les spermatozoïdes, Survie des espèces
recognizing the crucial contribution of both sexes, are critical. There also needs to be strengthened regulatory requirements regarding the effect of pharmaceuticals on sperm function.

The scientific and medical community to work together to develop a global and local research agenda targeted at understanding the causes and implications of disruption of male reproductive health, and to encourage interdisciplinary research, taking one health approach and considering the developmental origin of health and diseases. We should train scientists and clinicians at all levels in andrology and in recognizing the crucial contribution of both sexes to reproduction.

Individuals (public) to understand that male reproductive health is critical for fecundity, that it can be evaluated, and that each man’s environment and life choices can affect his sperm quantity, quality and function, which can reflect his future health. Raising awareness may enable men to make preventive life choices and request adequate medical assessment as a part of infertility investigation.

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