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# Assessment of avian sperm DNA fragmentation using the sperm chromatin dispersion assay

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**Table S1. Post-thaw SDF (%) for 6X rooster ejaculates at 0, 2, 5 and 24 h, incubation at 37°C analysed with the sperm chromatin dispersion test**

| Rooster DNA dynamics after SCDt | T0 | T2 | T5 | T24 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| RK | 74.7 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| RL | 37 | 65.6 | 81.7 | 100 |
| RH1 | 69.8 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| RH2 | 62.3 | 87 | 100 | 100 |
| RB1 | 22 | 44.7 | 87.7 | 100 |
| RB2 | 9.7 | 88.3 | 100 | 100 |
| Mean ± s.e.m. | 45.9 ± 11.0 | 80.9 ± 8.9 | 94.9 ± 3.3 | 100 ± 0 |

**Table S2. Post-thaw SDF (%) for 6X turkey ejaculates at 0, 2, 5 and 24 h, incubation at 37°C analysed with the sperm chromatin dispersion test**

| Turkey DNA dynamics after SCDt | T0 | T2 | T5 | T24 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| T1 | 5.3 | 78.3 | 100 | 100 |
| T2 | 24.3 | 30.6 | 66.7 | 100 |
| T3 | 4.7 | 17.3 | 37 | 100 |
| T4 | 3 | 7 | 85.3 | 100 |
| T5 | 0.3 | 3.3 | 32 | 100 |
| T6 | 2 | 7.3 | 34.7 | 100 |
| Mean ± s.e.m. | 6.6 ± 3.6 | 24.0 ± 11.6 | 59.3 ± 11.9 | 100 ± 0 |

**Table S3. Post-thaw SDF (%) for 2 pooled samples of cockatiel ejaculates at 0, 2, 5, and 24 h, incubation at 37°C analysed with the sperm chromatin dispersion test**

| Cockatiel DNA dynamics after SCDt | T0 | T2 | T5 | T24 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| C1 | 9 | 15 | 49 | 100 |
| C2 | 27 | 31 | 39.3 | 100 |
| Mean ± s.e.m. | 18 ± 5.2 | 23 ± 4.6 | 44.2 ± 2.8 | 100 ± 0 |