

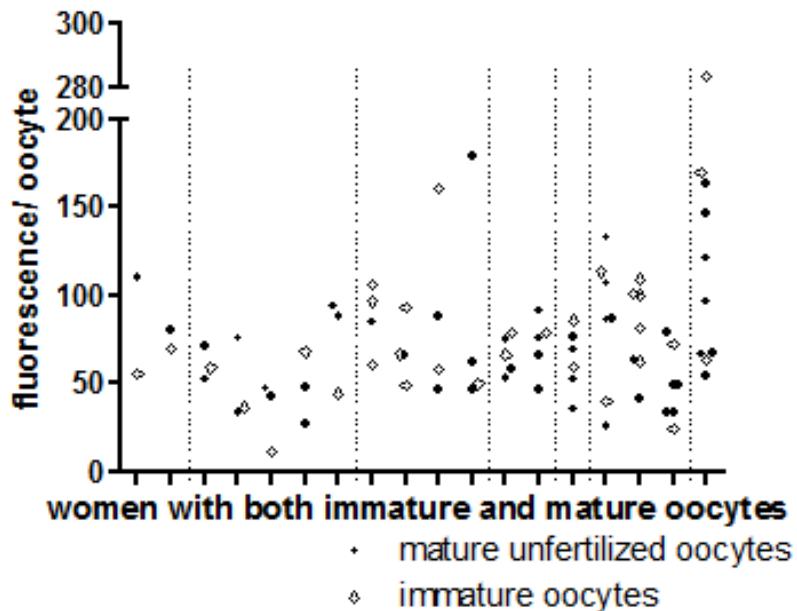
Table S1. The mean percentage (\pm s.d.) of fatty acid types and each specific fatty acid* in serum and follicular fluid of $n = 84$ women. Differences between serum and follicular fluid levels were determined by paired t-test.

	Serum (%)	Follicular fluid (%)	Difference P-value
Saturated fat (%)	36.95 ± 6.54	48.78 ± 8.65	0.000
Monounsaturated fat (%)	45.36 ± 9.72	33.01 ± 8.67	0.000
Trans fatty acid (%)	0.59 ± 0.23	0.37 ± 0.57	0.000
n-9 (omega 9) fatty acid (%)	40.52 ± 10.05	29.00 ± 8.39	0.000
n-6 (omega 6) fatty acid (%)	13.20 ± 5.64	14.84 ± 5.45	0.01
n-3 (omega 3) fatty acid (%)	3.32 ± 1.46	2.29 ± 0.81	0.000
n-7 (omega 7) fatty acid (%)	4.63 ± 1.84	3.93 ± 1.28	0.38
14:0	1.40 ± 0.50	1.36 ± 0.26	0.68
Myristic acid			
15:0	0.25 ± 0.08	0.25 ± 0.10	0.89
Pentadecanoic acid			
dma16:0 Dimethyl acetyl	0.15 ± 0.44	0.02 ± 0.08	0.009
Hexadecanoate			
16:0	24.57 ± 4.01	31.34 ± 5.18	<0.001
Palmitic acid			
dma18:0 Dimethyl acetyl	0.06 ± 0.18	0	0.007
Octadecanoate			
18:0	10.40 ± 2.86	15.63 ± 3.62	<0.001
Stearic acid			
20:0	0.03 ± 0.07	0.08 ± 0.14	0.11
Arachidic acid			
22:0	0.04 ± 0.13	0.08 ± 0.27	0.46
Behenic acid			
24:0	0.04 ± 0.07	0.02 ± 0.07	0.002
Lignoceric acid			
Trans 16:1	0.06 ± 0.07	0	<0.001
Transpalmelaidic acid			
Trans 18:1 n-9	0.26 ± 0.17	0.23 ± 0.55	<0.001
9-octadenoic acid			
Trans 18:1n-7	0.26 ± 0.19	0.14 ± 0.12	<0.001
$\Delta 7$ transvaccenic acid			
14:1	0.22 ± 0.13	0.21 ± 0.33	0.01
Myristoleic acid			
15:1	0.03 ± 0.06	0.94 ± 0.38	0.53
Pentadecenoic acid			
16:1n-9	0.35 ± 0.20	0.24 ± 0.10	<0.001
$\Delta 9$ palmitelaidic acid			
16:1n-7	2.97 ± 1.41	1.94 ± 0.66	<0.001
Elaidic acid			
17:1	0.19 ± 0.21	0.26 ± 0.53	<0.001
Heptadecenoic acid			
18:1 n-9	39.55 ± 10.46	27.36 ± 8.91	<0.001
9-octadenoic acid			
18:1n-7	1.66 ± 0.47	1.99 ± 0.81	0.001

Vaccenic acid			
19:1	0.02 ± 0.05	0	0.02
Nonadecanoic acid			
20:1 n-11	0.06 ± 0.10	0.05 ± 0.12	0.01
Δ11 eicosanoic acid			
20:1n-9	0.20 ± 0.12	0.43 ± 0.22	<0.001
Eicosenoic acid			
22:1n-9	0.04 ± 0.09	0.17 ± 0.24	0.001
13-docosenoic acid			
24:1n-9	0.06 ± 0.05	0.23 ± 0.09	<0.001
Nervonic acid			
18:2n-9	0.04 ± 0.08	0.03 ± 0.13	0.002
20:2n-9	0.28 ± 0.41	0.55 ± 0.59	0.001
Eicosadienoic acid			
9,11 18:2 CLA	0.25 ± 0.19	0.13 ± 0.13	<0.001
18:2 n-6	11.30 ± 4.98	12.24 ± 4.93	0.09
9,12-octadecadienoate			
18:3n-6 (GLA)	0.17 ± 0.20	0.15 ± 0.16	0.76
Gamma-linolenic acid			
20:2n-6	0.20 ± 0.12	0.52 ± 0.24	<0.001
Eicosadienoic acid			
20:3n-6 (DGLA) Homo-gamma-linolenic acid	0.27 ± 0.24	0.32 ± 0.13	<0.001
20:4n-6	1.03 ± 0.70	0.82 ± 0.47	0.04
Docosatetraenoic acid			
22:2 n-6	0	0.09 ± 0.12	<0.001
Docosadienoic acid			
22:4n-6	0.15 ± 0.07	0.58 ± 0.28	<0.001
Docosatetraenoic acid			
22:5n-6	0.08 ± 0.07	0.12 ± 0.11	0.008
Clupanodionate			
16:2 n-3	0.10 ± 0.08	0.03 ± 0.06	<0.001
Palmitoleatic acid			
18:3n-3 (ALA)	1.45 ± 0.89	0.39 ± 0.21	<0.001
α-linolenic acid			
18:4 n-3	0.02 ± 0.06	0	0.19
Parinaric acid			
20:3n-3 (ETA)	0.28 ± 0.17	0.57 ± 0.33	<0.001
Eicosatrienoic acid			
20:5n-3 (EPA) Eicosapentaenoic acid	0.28 ± 0.25	0.12 ± 0.16	<0.001
22:5n-3 (DPA)	0.31 ± 0.19	0.33 ± 0.18	0.10
Docosapentaenoate			
22:6n-3 (DHA) Docosahexaenoic acid	0.90 ± 0.61	0.77 ± 0.38	0.49

*There was no detectable 8:0, 9:0, 10:0, 11:0, 12:0, 13:0, 11:1, 12:1, 13:1, 18:1 n-12 or 20:3 n-9 in either follicular fluid or serum.

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(B)

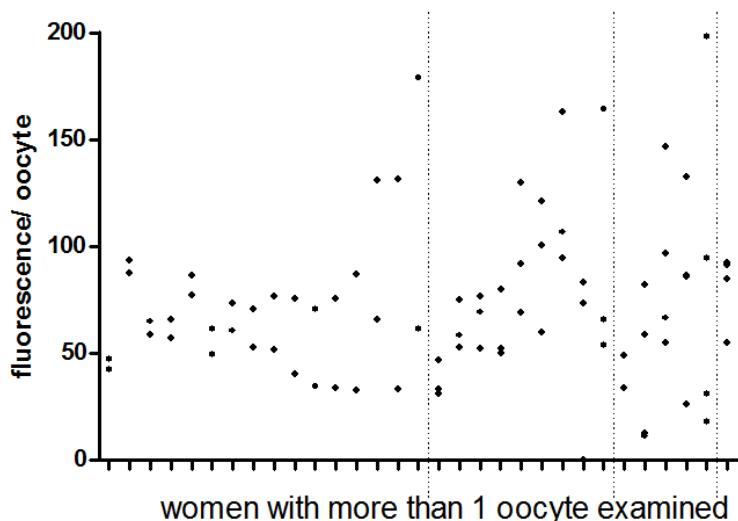


Fig. S1. Lipid content of unfertilized human oocytes. (A) Comparison of neutral lipid in oocytes from women who had both immature oocytes (open symbol) and mature unfertilised oocytes (solid symbol) examined. Each column represents the oocytes from one woman and these were arranged left to right according to the number of oocytes examined; women with two oocytes examined ($n = 2$), three oocytes ($n = 5$), four oocytes ($n = 4$), five oocytes ($n = 2$), six oocytes ($n = 1$), seven oocytes ($n = 3$) and 10 oocytes ($n = 1$). There was no difference in oocyte lipid levels between immature and mature oocytes. (B) Comparison of neutral lipid levels in all oocytes from women who had ≥ 2 oocytes. Each column represents the oocytes from one woman and these were arranged left to right according to the number of oocytes examined. Mixed linear model showed there was more variability in oocyte lipid levels within each individual than between individuals.