

Supplementary Materials: Semen Quality of Rasa Aragonesa Rams Carrying the *FecXR* Allele of the *BMP15* Gene

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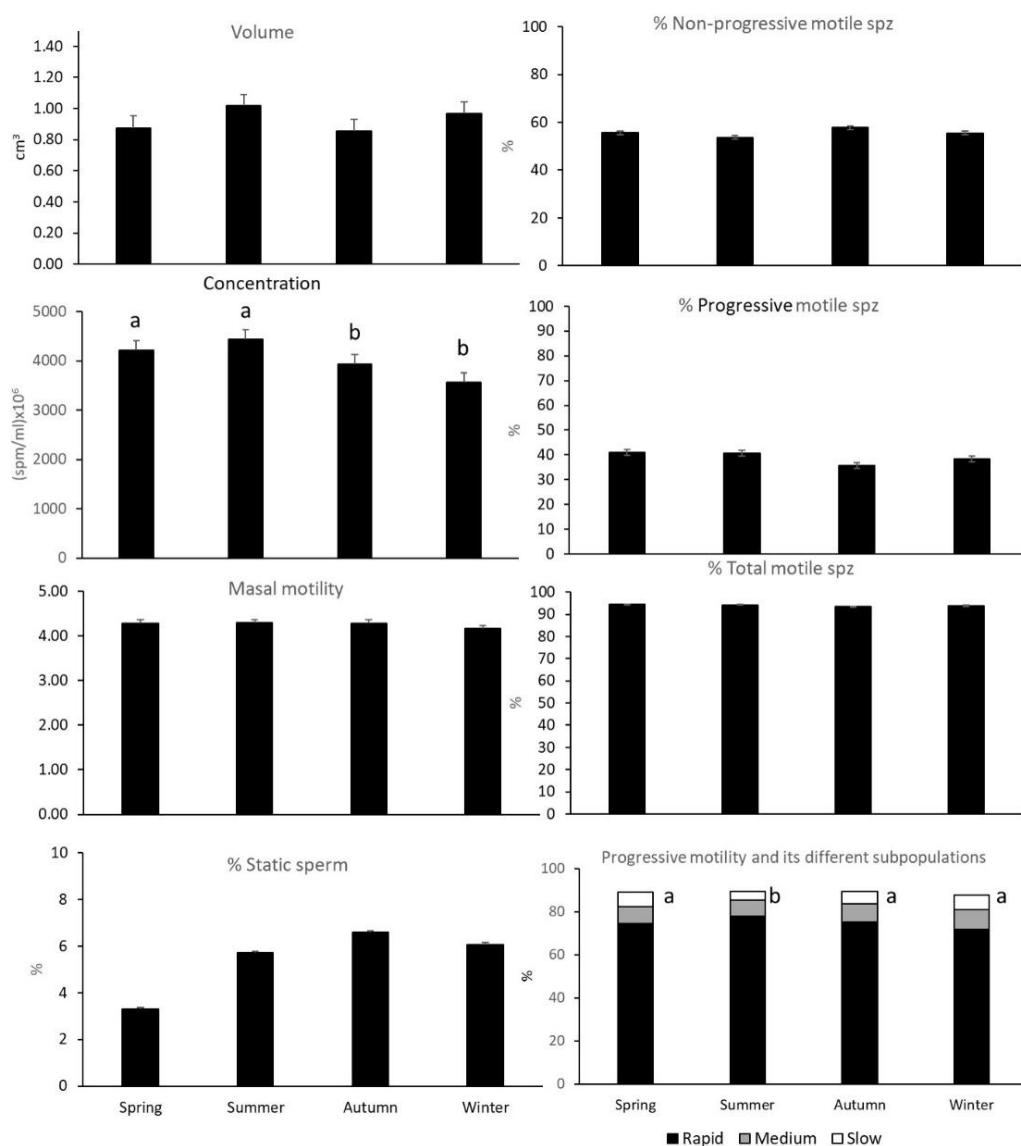


Figure S1. Annual seminal traits (mean \pm S.E.M.) of Rasa Aragonesa rams (a,b indicate $p < 0.05$) (spz: spermatozoon). Values calculated from semen samples collected twice a week for one year.

Table 1. Mean (\pm S.E.M.) testicular measurements and reproductive traits of Rasa Aragonesa rams ($n = 15$) (a,b,c indicate significant differences $p < 0.05$). Values calculated from semen samples collected twice a week for one year.

	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
Scrotal circumference (cm)	$33.1 \pm 0.7^{\text{a}}$	$34.3 \pm 0.4^{\text{b}}$	$33.8 \pm 0.4^{\text{a}}$	$34.8 \pm 0.6^{\text{b}}$
Testicular diameter (cm)	$6.8 \pm 0.2^{\text{a}}$	$7.0 \pm 0.1^{\text{b}}$	$6.7 \pm 0.1^{\text{a}}$	$6.7 \pm 0.9^{\text{a}}$
Testicular length (cm)	$9.0 \pm 0.8^{\text{a}}$	$10.3 \pm 0.2^{\text{b}}$	$9.7 \pm 0.5^{\text{b}}$	$9.2 \pm 0.2^{\text{a}}$
Fertility (%)	$52.9 \pm 0.05^{\text{a}}$	$65.9 \pm 0.02^{\text{b}}$	$59.2 \pm 0.04^{\text{a}}$	$50.6 \pm 0.06^{\text{c}}$
Prolificacy (lambs/lambing)	$1.63 \pm 0.09^{\text{a}}$	$1.88 \pm 0.04^{\text{b}}$	$1.65 \pm 0.07^{\text{a}}$	$1.30 \pm 0.18^{\text{c}}$
Fecundity (lambs/ewe)	$0.86 \pm 0.09^{\text{a}}$	$1.25 \pm 0.06^{\text{b}}$	$0.97 \pm 0.07^{\text{a}}$	$0.59 \pm 0.09^{\text{c}}$