

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

IUI

Intrauterine insemination, with partner sperm. Sperm provided by the male partner is placed in the patient's uterus (womb).

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Donor insemination. Donated sperm is placed in the patient's uterus.

IVF

In vitro fertilization. In the laboratory, the woman's eggs and the sperm from the partner or donor are brought into contact. The embryos obtained are placed in the patient's uterus 2 to 5 days later. Viable embryos remaining are then frozen.

ICSI

Intra cytoplasmic sperm injection. In vitro fertilization in which a single sperm is injected directly into an egg.

In vitro maturation of oocytes

This is an in vitro fertilization technique in which eggs are retrieved at an early stage; these immature eggs are then matured in the laboratory before being fertilized.

Egg donation

In vitro fertilization cycles in which the eggs are provided by a donor.

Oocyte vitrification and frozen oocyte cycle

In vitro fertilization treatment in which the oocytes are frozen. In a second phase, a frozen oocyte cycle can be performed, in which oocytes are thawed and fertilized and the resulting embryos transferred into the patient's uterus.

Preimplantation genetic diagnosis

In vitro fertilization treatment in which a genetic analysis is performed on the embryos before they are transferred.