Is parental consanguinity associated with reduced ovarian reserve?

This observational study assessed whether women descending from consanguineous unions have reduced ovarian reserve compared with daughters of non-consanguineous couples. Two hundred and ninety-one women (= 9, compared with 63.9% of non-consanguineous patients. Consanguineous patients did not exhibit an age-dependent AFC-decline and displayed reduced AFC and AMH concentrations. The multivariate analysis revealed female consanguinity, as well as surgical history in non-consanguineous women, as strong positive predictors of low ovarian reserve. Parental consanguinity is strongly associated with reduced ovarian reserve. Future studies should evaluate a possible association between parental consanguinity and infertility.