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*...from concept to conception...*

**Boar Semen Submission Instructions:**

In order to get the most representative information from each semen analysis, it is important that large temperature fluctuations be avoided during shipment. Extended semen should be maintained between 56 to 70° F (15-19° C). Due to this relatively narrow range, it is often best to use two Styrofoam boxes for shipping samples. Place a large gel-pack (same temperature as the extended semen) on the bottom of the first, smaller box. Wrap the doses of pre-cooled extended semen in several layers of newspaper and place them on top of the gel-pack. Place another gel-pack(s) (same temperature) on top of the doses, loose paper or packing peanuts can be used to take up the extra space. The small box should be taped shut and placed in a larger Styrofoam box. If the outdoor temperature is expected to exceed 85° F, frozen gel-packs should be placed inside the large Styrofoam box (outside the smaller box containing the extended semen). During cold weather (<40° F), warm gel-packs should be placed between the two boxes. Tape the outside box securely, and mail by overnight express to the address below (UPS Next Day Air or Fed Ex Overnight if available).

Shipping Address

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Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

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