Canada Warns Semen Acquired Online May Have HIV

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Canada's health agency has cautioned aspirant parents seeking donor sperm that unregulated semen advertised as "fresh" online may be tainted with sexually transmitted infections, including HIV, Agence France Presse (AFP) reports. Canada has a mandated quarantine period of six months for all donor semen, and it has put strict screening and testing regulations in place to minimize the potential risk of transmitting infectious diseases such as HIV, hepatitis B or C and syphilis to mothers and children. Some online sperm sellers have successfully evaded Canada's screening and testing regulations, but no actual case of infection prompted the warning.

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