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#### **“Protester Caregivers” semantic reconstruction of infertility outcomes in marital relationship of infertile women**

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**Background:** Spouses, who experience infertility, are much more overwhelmed by failure, anxiety, stress, and unpleasant marital relationships than other spouses. Infertility often has negative effects on the relationships between spouses. Infertile women are more likely to suffer from these unpleasant marital relationships.

**Objective:** By using a qualitative grounded theory approach, 21 women were selected and studied using theoretical sampling. Theoretical sampling continues until data saturation occurs. These qualitative interviews were conducted between January 2019 and January 2020. Data were collected and analyzed using

open and axial coding.

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**Conclusion:** Based on the traditional culture of the target community, infertile women struggle with the men who play the role of “caregivers” as well as consistently protest their infertility. This paradoxical phenomenon leads to the emergence of contradictory strategies and outcomes, and make infertile women to rethink about their choices.

**Key words:** Infertile women, Marital relationship, Semantic reconstruction, Protester caregivers.