**Table 2**

**Factors impacting on the relationship between FBC and serum T**

Non androgen-related drivers/constraints to haematopoiesis, *eg.*

- serum concentrations of haematinics

- genetic factors

- physical fitness/training/performance

- respiratory & circulatory function

Non-optimal timing of venepuncture for androgen assay, *eg.*

- sample not necessarily taken 9am & fasted in untreated men

- samples not taken at pre-injection “trough” in men on injectable T therapy

- variable adherence in men using transdermal T therapy