

### Supplementary Figure 2

Salivary cortisol concentrations in unsuppressed and suppressed (DST 1 mg) morning samples with different concentrations of blood contamination. Grey striped area marks lower limit of quantification. Results (black circles) are presented next to the expected results (grey squares) calculated based on plasma cortisol concentration and erythrocyte volume fraction. Data presented as means  $\pm$  SD.

