

# Islam Question & Answer

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## 10540 - The difference between maniy and wadiy

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### the question

I often pass a thick white liquid. How do I tell the difference between maniy (semen) for which I need to take a bath (ghusl) and that which the fuqaha' call wadiy?

### Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

“Wadiy” in Arabic refers to the thick white fluid which is passed after passing urine. One of the differences between them is that maniy is emitted when there is (sexual) desire, and wadiy is not emitted as a result of sexual desire, it is emitted after passing urine.