
Cholesterol Level In Injectable Contraception Acceptors

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ABSTRACT

Indonesia is a developing country with a population in the fourth largest position in the world after China, India and the United States with relatively high population growth rates. Injection contraception is the primadonna for the Indonesian people because the acceptors reached 30.8%. One of the methods of injection contraception that is widely used is Depo Medroxyprogesterone Acetate (DMPA) and Cyclofem. Injection contraception causes changes in fat metabolism through changes in HDL and LDL levels. HDL is antiatherogenic, preferably high levels of LDL and triglycerides cause cardiovascular disease in the periphery and coronary arteries that cause cardiovascular disease. Long-term use of hormonal contraceptives causes an increase in LDL, whereas HDL varies. This study used a cross sectional study. The population was DMPA and Cyclofem injection family planning acceptors, while the sampling technique used purposive sampling technique. Based on the results of data analysis with the Paired T test, it was found that DMPA acceptors had higher cholesterol levels (mean = -1.822; SD = 45.34; $p < 0.005$) than cyclofem acceptors (mean = 1.722; SD = 35.51; $P < 0.005$). Contraceptive injections cause changes in fat metabolism through changes in HDL and LDL levels. HDL is antiatherogenic, on the other hand, high levels of LDL and triglycerides cause cardiovascular disease in the periphery and coronary arteries which cause cardiovascular disease. Long-term use of hormonal contraceptives causes an increase in LDL, whereas HDL varies.

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BACKGROUND

Indonesia is a developing country with a population in the fourth largest position in the world after China, India and the United States with relatively high population growth rates. Based on the 2015 inter-census population survey (SUPAS), Indonesia's population in 2019 is projected to reach 266.91 million. According to gender, this number consists of 134 million men and 132.89 million women. Indonesia is currently enjoying a demographic bonus period where the number of productive age population is more than the unproductive age, which is more than 68% of the total population. The population growth rate in East Java was 0.66 from 2010 to 2015, while the population density in East Java was 813.00. (bps.go.id)

Contraception methods have been used by most women of childbearing age (63%) in almost all over the world in 2017. Globally, 58% of women of childbearing age use modern contraceptive methods (4). Modern contraceptive methods consist of injections, pills, implants, IUDs, the female operative method (MOW), the male operative method (MOP), and emergency contraception. According to data from Indonesian health resources, family planning acceptors who use injections are 30.8%, pills 13.2%, IUDs 4.8%, implants 2.8%, tubectomy 3.1%, and condoms 1.3%. This is related to the high dropout rate in the short-term method so that it needs continuous monitoring. In addition, the management of family planning programs needs to focus on the category of fertile age couples (PUS) with 4 too (too young, old, frequent and many) (MOH, 2014)

From the data above, the use of injection contraception is the primadonna for the Indonesian people because the acceptors reached 30.8%. This shows that people are able to accept all the side effects that arise from this injection contraceptive. On the other hand, injection contraception causes changes in fat metabolism through changes in HDL and LDL levels. HDL is antiatherogenic, preferably high levels of LDL and triglycerides cause cardiovascular disease in the periphery and coronary arteries that cause cardiovascular disease. Long-term use of hormonal contraceptives causes an increase in LDL, whereas HDL varies (Djaswadi, 2008)

One of the methods of injection KB that is widely used is Depo Medroxyprogesterone Acetate (DMPA) and Cyclofem. The side effects include changes in menstrual patterns. The 1-month injection does not interfere with the user's menstrual cycle, while the 3-month injection interferes with the menstrual cycle in the user, namely experiencing amenorrhea and spotting bleeding. This is because a 1-month injection of the estrogen hormone injected will stimulate the discharge of menstruation every month, while the 3-month injection contains progesterone, progesterone is responsible for endometrial changes in the menstrual cycle in the cervix and vagina. So that at the time of injection of DMPA, in the luteal phase the levels of the hormone progesterone remain high and the hormone estrogen decreases so that there is no release of the uterine lining (endometrium) which results in frequent disturbances in the menstrual pattern of amenorrhea (not menstruating) (Saifuddin, 2006)

DMPA Injectable Contraceptives have various side effects, including depression, vaginal discharge, acne, hair loss, weight gain, as well as long-term use of changes in serum lipids, headaches, and can cause vaginal dryness and reduce libido (Sulistiawati, 2014). According to Santa (2014) DMPA injectable contraception has a side effect of causing an imbalance of the estrogen hormone, which results in a decrease in HDL (High Density Lipoprotein) and an increase in LDL (Low Density Lipoprotein) which will result in an increase in total cholesterol. Acceptors often complained about the side effects of injection contraceptives, one of which was joint pain and headache. This is possibly due to an increase in HDL and LDL, which are components of blood cholesterol. Based on the above

background, the authors are interested in examining about cholesterol level in injection contraception acceptors.

METHODS

In this study, the research design used was a comparative analysis, namely comparing cholesterol levels in DMPA and Cyclofem acceptors. This study used a cross sectional study where data collection was carried out at one time. This research was conducted at PMB Mei Kurniawata, Amd.Keb, Surabaya for about 3 months. The population was the DMPA and Cyclofem injection family planning acceptors, while the sampling technique used purposive sampling technique. The total samples were 40 samples, namely 20 DMPA acceptors, and 20 respondents were Cyclofem acceptors. Data analysis using Paired T Test.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The subjects in this study were 20 DMPA acceptor respondents and 20 Cyclofem acceptor respondents. The following are the results of the data obtained from research respondents:

Table 1. Subject characteristic

Subject characteristic	Frequency (n)		Percentage (%)	
	DMPA	Cyclofem	DMPA	Cyclofem
Age Group				
20 – 25 years old	4	4	20	20
26 - 30 years old	1	2	5	10
31 – 35 years old	2	8	10	40
36- 40 years old	4	2	20	10
> 40 years old	9	4	45	20
Total	20	20	100	100
Paritas				
Nulipara	0	1	0	5
primipara	2	8	10	40
multipara	16	11	80	55
Grande multipara	2	0	10	0
total	20	20	100	100
Length of use				
1-5 years	10	16	50	80
6-10 years	6	2	30	10
> 10 years	4	2	20	10
total	20	20	100	100
Cholesterol level				
≤ 200	14	16	70	80
> 200	6	4	30	20
Total	20	20	100	100

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Cholesterol is very useful in the process of forming hormones, cholesterol is an important ingredient needed by the body as a basic material for the formation of hormones such as

testosterone, estrogen, progesterone. Testosterone functions to increase libido, immune function, and protection from osteoporosis. Estrogen is present in both male and female bodies, in women this hormone is very important for its effect on the development and maintenance of secondary sex signs in women such as breast tissue, regulation of the menstrual cycle, and also the formation of egg cells.

Injectable contraceptives both DMPA and cyclofem are hormones that have an indirect relationship with blood cholesterol levels. Another side effect that occurs due to the use of injectable contraceptives is the cardiovascular system. There is an increase in insulin levels and a decrease in High Density Lipoprotein (HDL) - cholesterol, which can increase the risk of cardiovascular disease, namely changes in fat metabolism, especially a decrease in HDL cholesterol. Low HDL cholesterol causes atherosclerosis. The results of the research by Sanger, Lobo, and Wirasti (2008) stated that after 12 months of using injection contraceptives, the HDL-cholesterol levels decreased

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The results of this study are in line with the research conducted by Sitinjak (2019) that the mean total cholesterol level between DMPA acceptors was higher than the combined pill contraceptive acceptors (185.53 ± 23.51 mg / dl: 181.22 ± 29.10 mg / dl). Where the content and workings of this combination pill is almost similar to cyclofem injection, which is that both contain estrogen. Per mL of cyclofem contains Medroxyprogesterone acetate 50 mg, estradiol cypionate 10 mg.

The more often someone gets DMPA injections, the accumulation and influence of hormones on fat metabolism will also increase (Tobing in W, ngesti, Tutik Herawati and Lenni Saragih, 2015). This is also in line with the research of Didien Ika Setyarini (2013) regarding the relationship between the length of time using DMPA, the longer the percentage of acceptors who have fat levels in 30-35% intervals and $> 35\%$ in the category close to high and high. This is caused by the hormone progesterone which causes estrogen levels to decrease. In contrast to cyclofem, where the content in it besides containing the hormone progesterone also contains estrogen.

CONCLUSION

The mean cholesterol level in DMPA acceptors was higher than that of cyclofem acceptors

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