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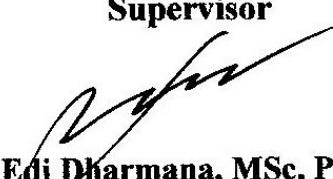
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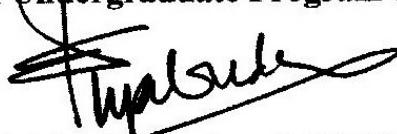
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ABSTRACT

Background *Phaleria macrocarpa* and *Phyllanthus niruri* have been known for their immunomodulatory effects to enhance and modulate the immune system. Nowadays, various herbal medicines combine herbs in purpose to obtain their benefits. There was not conducted research about the effects of combination both herbs in enhancing Macrophages Phagocytic Activity.

Aim To prove the effect of *Phaleria macrocarpa* and *Phyllanthus niruri* combination extracts to the differences of Peritoneal Macrophages Phagocytic Index compared to control group, single extract of *Phaleria* group and single extract of *Phyllanthus* group.

Methods This research was an experimental research with post-test only control group design. The samples were 20 healthy male BALB/c mice divided into 4 groups. The Control group given 0.5 cc water/day as placebo, T1 group given 0.14 mg *Phaleria macrocarpa* extract/day, T2 group given 0.4 mg *Phyllanthus niruri*/day and T3 group was given 0.4 mg and 0.14 mg combination extracts/day. The treatment was conducted in 7 days. The samples were terminated and peritoneal macrophages were isolated, cultured and measured for the phagocytic index at day 8.

Results Phagocytic Index Means were 0.038 for control, 0.114 for T1 group, 0.347 for T2 group and 0.068 for T3 group. The ANOVA test result showed at least a difference between two groups ($p=0,001$). From the *post-hoc* analysis, significant result was obtained from group T3 and T2 ($p=0,020$), while for the group T3 and Control ($p=0,061$) and group T3 and T1 ($p=0,417$) there was no difference.

Conclusions There is no difference of Peritoneal Macrophages Phagocytic Index of BALB/c mice that is treated with the combination extracts of *Phaleria macrocarpa* and *Phyllanthus niruri* compared to the control. The differences occur in the groups with the single-extract treatment.

Keywords *Phaleria macrocarpa*, *Phyllanthus niruri*, *Peritoneal Macrophages*, *Macrophages Phagocytic Index*

ABSTRAK

Latar Belakang Phaleria macrocarpa dan Phyllanthus niruri telah diketahui sebagai obat tradisional dengan kemampuan imunomodulasi yakni mampu meningkatkan maupun memodulasi sistem imunitas. Dewasa ini banyak obat herbal yang menggabungkan berbagai zat dengan tujuan memperoleh manfaatnya. Penelitian mengenai gabungan keduanya dalam meningkatkan imunitas seluler khususnya aktivitas fagositosis makrofag belum pernah dilakukan.

Tujuan Membuktikan pengaruh pemberian gabungan *Phaleria macrocarpa* dan *Phyllanthus niruri* terhadap perbedaan indeks fagositosis makrofag peritoneal mencit BALB/c

Metode Penelitian eksperimental *post-test only design*. Sampel 20 mencit BALB/c dibagi menjadi 4 kelompok. Kelompok K diberikan 0,5 cc air/hari sebagai *placebo*, Kelompok T1 diberikan 0,14 mg ekstrak *Phaleria macrocarpa* dalam 0,5 cc air/hari, Kelompok T2 diberikan 0,4 mg ekstrak *Phyllanthus niruri* dalam 0,5 cc air/hari dan Kelompok T3 diberikan 0,4 mg dan 0,14 mg ekstrak gabungan dalam 0,5 cc air/hari. Perlakuan diberikan selama 7 hari. Pada hari ke-8 dilakukan terminasi. Makrofag peritoneal diisolasi, dikultur dan diperiksa aktivitas fagositosisnya.

Hasil Rata-rata Indeks Fagositosis Kontrol 0,038, Kelompok T1 0,114, Kelompok T2 0,347 dan Kelompok T3 0,068. Pada uji ANOVA diperoleh ada perbedaan yang signifikan pada satu kelompok ($p=0,001$). Dari hasil uji post-hoc perbedaan signifikan didapatkan pada Kelompok T3 dan T2 ($p=0,020$), sedangkan pada Kelompok T3 dan Kontrol ($p=0,061$) dan Kelompok T3 dan T1 ($p=0,417$) tidak diperoleh adanya perbedaan.

Kesimpulan Tidak didapatkan perbedaan Indeks Fagositosis Makrofag Peritoenal mencit BALB/c yang diberikan ekstrak gabungan *Phaleria macrocarpa* dan *Phyllanthus niruri* dibandingkan kelompok kontrol. Perbedaan didapatkan pada kelompok yang diberikan ekstrak tunggal.

Kata kunci *Phaleria macrocarpa*, *Phyllanthus niruri*, *Makrofag Peritoneal*, *Indeks Fagositosis Makrofag*

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ABBREVIATIONS

TLRs	: Toll-like receptors
NLRs	: NOD-like receptors
RLRs	: RIG-like receptors
ROS	: Reactive Oxygen Species
NOs	: Nitrite Oxides
T _H 1 cells	: CD4 ⁺ T Lymphocytes Helper Subset 1
T _H 2 cells	: CD4 ⁺ T Lymphocytes Helper Subset 2
T _H 17 cells	: CD4 ⁺ T Lymphocytes Helper Subset 17
NK cells	: Natural Killer cells
IFN-γ	: Interferon Gamma
f-MLP	: f-Methionine-Leucine-Phenylalanine
PRRs	: Pattern Recognition Receptors
APCs	: Antigen-Presenting Cells
PAMPs	: Pathogen Associated Molecular Patterns
CTLs	: CD8 ⁺ T Lymphocytes (cytotoxic lymphocytes)
MPS	: Mononuclear Phagocytic System
HPSCs	: Hematopoietic Stem Cells
GM-CSF	: Granulocyte Monocyte Colony Stimulating Factor
M-CSF	: Monocyte Colony Stimulating Factor
ILs (2, 4, 10, 12, 18 etc.)	: Interleukins
MHC	: Major Histocompatibility Complex
TNF	: Tumor Necrosis Factor
NF-κB	: Nuclear Factor Kappa B
IκB	: I Kappa B
BM DCs	: Bone-Marrow-derived Dendritic Cells
T _{Reg} Cells/ Reg T cells	: Regulatory T Cells
TGF-β	: Transforming Growth Factor Beta