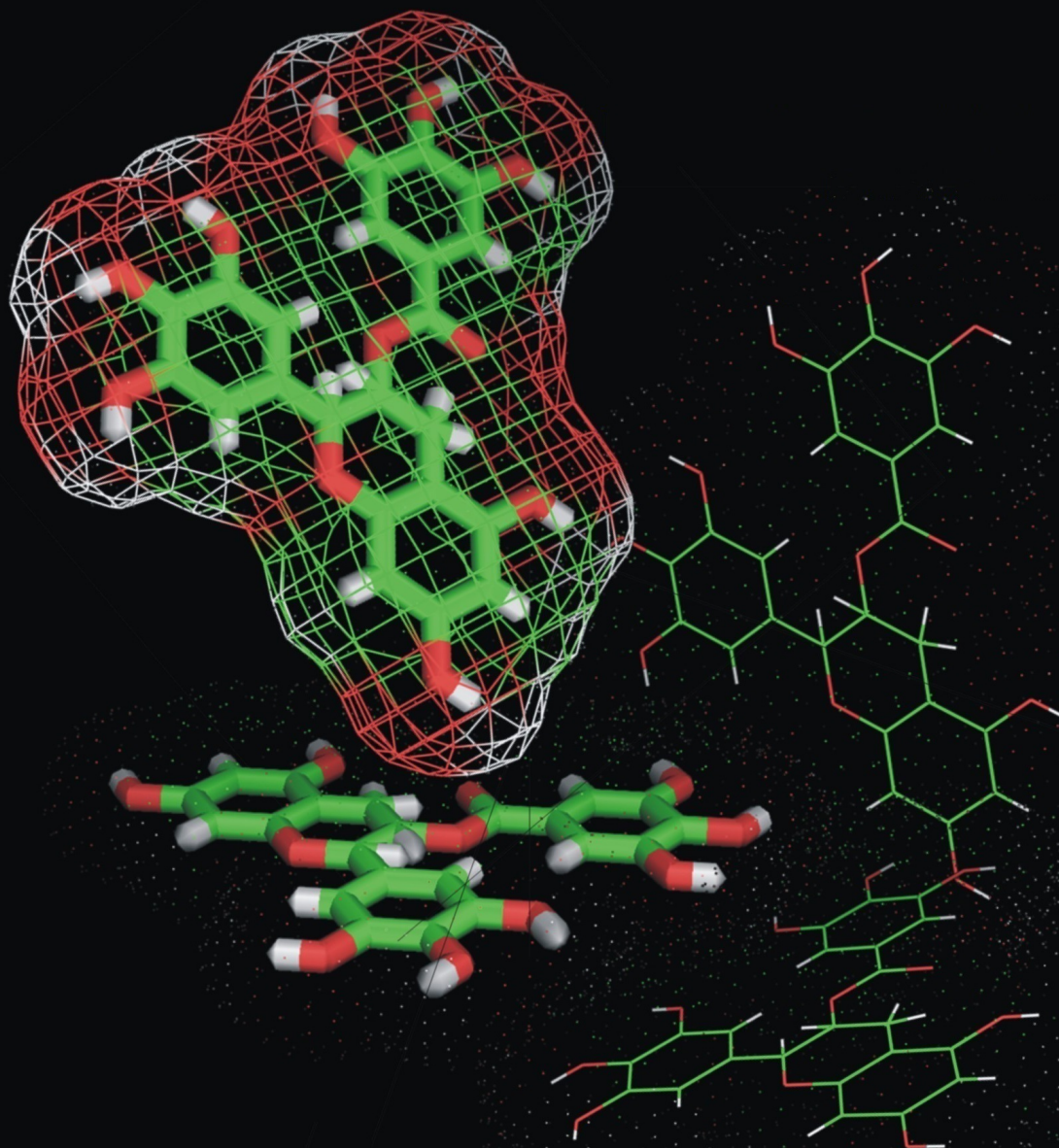


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Bioactivity of Purple Yam Tuber (*Dioscorea alata* L.) on the Level of CD8⁺ and CD8⁺CD462L⁺ T cells and Histology of Liver in BALB/c Mice Model of Digestive Allergy

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Abstract

Purple yam tuber (*Dioscorea alata* L.) is a family of Dioscoreaceae containing diosgenin which is known as immunomodulatory agent. This study aimed to understand the quantitative changes of naïve and activated memory of T cells on mice model of digestive allergy after orally treated with ethanol extract of purple yam tuber. In this experiment, architecture of hepatic histopathology is also observed. Ethanol extract of purple yam tuber with three doses of 0.167 g/kg bw (U1), 2.008 g/kg bw (U2), and 10.039 g/kg bw (U3) are applied. Data were analyzed using One-way ANOVA ($p < 0.05$) and Tukey test using SPSS 16.0 for Windows. Ethanol extract of purple yam tuber triggers the immunocompetent activity of T cells in mice model of digestive allergy. The result showed that the number of memory type T cells in mice model of digestive allergy decreased in lower dose (0.167 g/kg bw (U1)). However, the number of naïve T cells, CD8⁺CD62L⁺ in mice with digestive allergy after administration of purple yam tuber ethanol extract increased significantly in lower dose (0.167 g/kg bw (U1)) compared with positive control (OVA). Dose variations of extract ethanol of purple yam tuber (0.167 g/kg bw) has a significantly effect to shift the T cell status from memory to naïve.

Keywords: Digestive allergy, *Dioscorea alata* L., histopathology, immunomodulatory, subset T cells

INTRODUCTION

Dioscorea species mostly produce tubers, which can be used for food or medicine traditional. Tuber contain amounts of carbohydrates, may be the manufacture starch or ethanol (alcohol). One of the species found in Indonesia is *Dioscorea alata* L. (purple yam, keribang, water yam) [1]. Utilization purple yam in Indonesia is still limited use as food and food coloring.

The analysis showed the content in purple yam tuber consists of 89.73% water, 0.62% ash, acid insoluble ash 0.55%, 0.67% fiber content, starch 10.93%, fat 0.82%, and 1.36% protein [2]. *D. alata* also contains diosgenin [3]. Diosgenin, a naturally-occurring steroid saponin is found abundantly in yams (*Dioscorea* sp.) [4]. Saponin diosgenin is similar to cholesterol, progesterone and DHEA (dehydroepiandrosterone) [5]. Saponin diosgenin is a precursor of various synthetic steroidal drugs that are extensively used in the pharmaceutical industry [4]. Recent studies has

indicated that diosgenin in *Dioscorea* species have a biological effects including anti-inflammatory, antitumor, estrogenic, hypocholesterolemic, and immunomodulatory activities [5]. According to Raju [4] research, saponin diosgenin suppresses cancer cell growth through multiple cell signaling events associated with proliferation, differentiation, apoptosis, inflammation and oncogenesis. Diosgenin decreased the elevated cholesterol in serum LDL and HDL fractions in cholesterol-fed rats [4].

Purple yam tuber has potential role as an anti allergenic agent is unknown. Allergy reactions occur when somebody is exposed to allergens that produce IgE antibodies (Immunoglobulin E) and then exposed again by the same antigen. Allergens trigger the activation of mast cells that bind to IgE on the network. IgE is an antibody that is often seen in the reaction against parasites, especially against parasitic worms that are generally prevalent in underdeveloped countries [8]. Allergy or hypersensitivity is too high sensitivity to antigens so that subsequent exposure to antigen will cause excessive immune response. Under normal circumstances there is a balance between Th1 and Th2, but under no circumstances will an increase in allergic Th2 and decreased Th1.

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Ethanol extract of purple tuber uwi very closely related to the digestive process in the body. It is based on the statement Gamiswarna *et al.* [9] that in the pharmacokinetics of each drug in the body undergoes the process of absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion. Similarly, the purple yam tuber will be absorbed by the intestine, and is metabolized in the liver. Liver is the first organ that is achieved by drugs and other substances that are absorbed through the intestinal portal vein, so it is mentioned that the liver is the main place of drug metabolism and detoxification. The build up of toxic substances in the liver parenchymal cells can injure hepatocytes and causes histopathologic changes varied [10].

It is not known the effect of compounds contained in purple yam tubers (*Dioscorea alata* L.) to the digestive system, especially the liver. So it is necessary to investigate the effects of the ethanol extract of purple yam tuber (*Dioscorea alata* L.) with three doses in the level of CD8⁺ and CD8⁺CD62L⁺ T cells and histological analysis of the liver of mice (*Mus musculus* L.) strain BALB/c.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

This experiment was conducted in May 2013 until Januari 2014 in Laboratory of Animal Physiology, Department of Biology, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, Brawijaya University, Malang. The animal experiments were approved by the Animal Care and Use Committee of the Brawijaya University.

Ethanol Extract Preparation of Purple Yam Tuber

The preparation of ethanol extract of *Dioscorea alata* L. tuber were according to a previous study. 20.7 kg of *Dioscorea alata* tubers were peeled off, washed, and then dried underneath the sunlight. Crude was macerated in a glass jar with 70 % ethanol (crude : ethanol = 1:10) at room temperature for 5x24 hours. The ethanol extract then filtered and resoaked with 70 % ethanol (remaseration) for 2x24 hours. Material that has been filtered then evaporated at a temperature of 50°C using a vacuum pump evaporator.

Experimental Animals and Treatment

Twenty adult (3 months old) BALB/c 25-27 g male mice were used. The mice were randomly divided into five groups with each group consisting of 6 mice. The treatments were divided into 5 groups : control without treatment

(N), OVA-sensitized and challenged (OVA), dose 0.167 g/kg bw (U1), dose 2.008 g/kg bw (U2) and dose 10.039 g/kg bw. OVA were administered daily into mice by oral gavage throughout the experiment. Each mouse was sensitized with 0.15 ml of OVA in Al(OH)₃ by intraperitoneal injection on day 15 and later boosted on day 22 followed by repeated challenge with 0.15 ml OVA in aquadest, except for the mice in the N group. And the last injection on day 23 until 28 with OVA by oral injection. Ethanol extract of purple yam tuber were administered on day 1-28 in group U1, U2 and U3.

Flow cytometry Analysis

Flow cytometry analysis was to determine the cell number of CD8⁺ and CD8⁺CD62L⁺. The following purified antibodies were used for extracellular staining is fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC)-conjugated anti-mouse CD4 and for intracellular staining is PE-conjugated anti-B220. For extracellular staining, pellet resuspended with 50 µl of antibodies in sterile PBS. For intracellular staining, pellet were added with 20 µl cytofix-cytoferm and incubated for 20 minutes, 4 °C. Then added with 500 µl washperm and centrifuged 2500 rpm, 4 °C, for 5 minutes. Pellet was resuspended with 50 µl of antibodies in sterile PBS. Then moved into the cuvette and mounted on the nozzle flowcytometer (BD FACS Calibur™). Do the settings on the computer with BD Cell Quest Pro software™ and carried connection with flowcytometer (acquiring mode).

Histological Examination

The liver specimens of each mice in all groups were fixed in 10% buffered formaldehyde for 24 hours and embedded into paraffin after 16 h of alcohol process. 5 µm thick sections were obtained from the paraffin blocks and stained with hematoxylin and eosin. Each slide was examined under a light microscope.

Statistic Analysis

Data were analyzed using SPSS 16.0 for Windows. One way ANOVA test was used to asses the statistical difference between the N control group, OVA group and the treatment of purple yam tuber ethanol extract groups ($p < 0.05$ was defined as statistically significant). If the obtained results are significant, then it is analyzed with Tukey test.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The Relative Number of CD8⁺

Ethanol extract of purple yam tuber was given in mice digestive allergy model showed immunomodulatory activity as immunosuppressant. This activity can be seen through the decrease in the cell number of CD8⁺ (T cytotoxic cells) in different doses. Based on the ANOVA, the relative number of CD8⁺ T cell in lower dose treatment shows significant difference compared to the positive control (OVA) ($p < 0.05$) on day 15 of OVA injection. OVA group showed the highest relative numbers of CD8⁺ T cells compared with negative control (N) with relative number 19.34%. The increase in the number of CD8⁺ cells is caused by OVA as antigen that trigger the immune cells move to sites of inflammation.

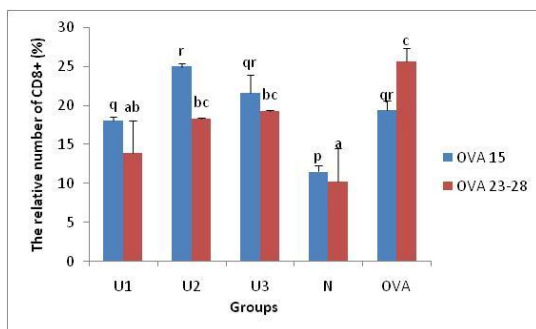


Figure 1. The relative number of CD8⁺ after injection OVA on day 15 and day 23-28.

Description:

N = Normal

OVA = OVA-sensitized and challenged

U1 = *D. alata* dose 1 (0.167 g/kg bw)

U2 = *D. alata* dose 2 (2.008 g/kg bw)

U3 = *D. alata* dose 3 (10.039 g/kg bw)

Dose of 0.167 g/kg bw showed a decrease of memory T cell significantly compared with positive control with relative number 18.01% (Figure 2). Dose of 2.008 g/kg and 10.039 g/kg bw still higher than the positive control (OVA) and gave no significant difference results ($p > 0.05$) with the relative number 24.95% and 21.63%. This suggests that dose of 0.167 g/kg was able to decrease the number of CD8⁺ T cells. CD8⁺ T cells needed to control the cytokines pro-inflammatory and helps the CD4⁺ T cells when the response of CD4⁺ T cells are not able to overcome the antigen in the body, resulting in the proliferation and differentiation of T cells to become cytotoxic T cells did not increase [11].

The decrease in CD8⁺ T cells also can be seen on days 23-23 of OVA injection (Figure 2) at all dose of ethanol extract. The effective dose to reduce the memory T cells is in the lowest dose

(0.167 g/kg bw). The number of CD8⁺ T cells in mice with digestive allergy at the last injection showed an increase of CD8⁺ T cells significantly compared to healthy mice ($p < 0.05$) with relative number 25.84% (Figure 2). These results indicate that at dose 0.167 g/kg with relative number 19.13% is more effective than dose 2.008 g/kg and 10.039 g/kg with relative number 18.28% and 19.31% (Figure 2). The decreasing in the number of CD8⁺ T cells after ethanol extract of purple yam tuber administration presumably because there is an activity of diosgenin in purple yam tuber ethanol extract.

Allergies are caused by systemic oral administration of ovalbumin. In addition, to CD4⁺ T cell population associated with the pathophysiology of digestive allergy, CD8⁺ T cells also play a role [12]. In mice exposed to digestive allergy increased IL-10 mRNA expression and production of IL-10 in MLN (mesenteric lymph node). Cytokine IL-10 is produced by CD8⁺ T cells [13]. Systemic allergen immunization can induce the development of CD8⁺ T cells [14]. Other helper T cell subset, known as Th1 secrete IL-2, TNF, and IFN- γ play a role in the hypersensitive response and inhibit the Th2 response [15]. IFN- γ is a Th1 cytokine that is responsible for inhibiting IL-4-mediated IgE response both in vitro and in vivo [13],[15].

Saponin in *Dioscorea alata* L. affects the activity of CD8⁺ T cells, so that the relative number of CD8⁺ in all treatment groups is significantly different. Mechanism of saponin diosgenin of *D. alata* as immunomodulator decreased the activity of IL-4 and proliferation of T cells. It is known that overproduction of IL-4 is associated with allergies. IL-4 is a cytokine that functions as one of the factor differentiated lymphocytes. IL-4 stimulation of activated B-cell and T-cell proliferation, and the differentiation of B cells into plasma cells.

According to Huang (2010) research showed that the administration of diosgenin is able to reduce the expression of IL-4 and GATA-3 in intestinal Balb/C mice was sensitized by ovalbumin. Suppressive effect of diosgenin on allergen-induced Th2 response intestinal closely associated with upregulation of Treg cell immunity at the site of inflammation. Diosgenin has allergenic activity in Balb/C mice were sensitization and dichallenge ovalbumin demonstrated by the suppression of IgE production, infiltration and mast cell degranulation [5].

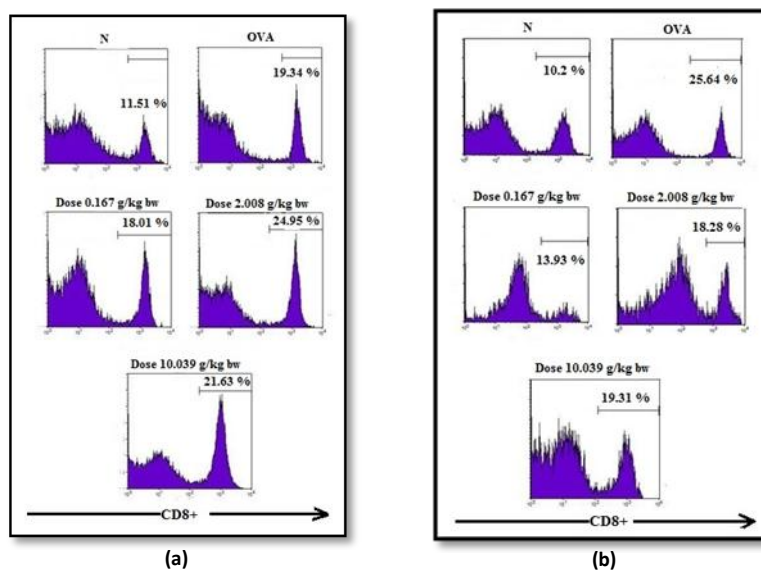


Figure 2. The percentage of relative number of CD8⁺ after injection OVA on day 15 (a) and day 23-28 (b)

The Relative Number of CD8⁺CD62L⁺

Ethanol extract of *Dioscorea alata* L. not only influence the decrease of CD8⁺ T cells in mice with digestive allergy, but also affect the proliferation of naïve T cells. The relative number of CD8⁺CD62L⁺ T cells in a positive control was 2.77 % compared with negative control were 16.49 % on days 15 OVA injection (Figure 4). Treatment with the ethanol extract of purple yam tuber showed the higher proliferation compared with all treatments.

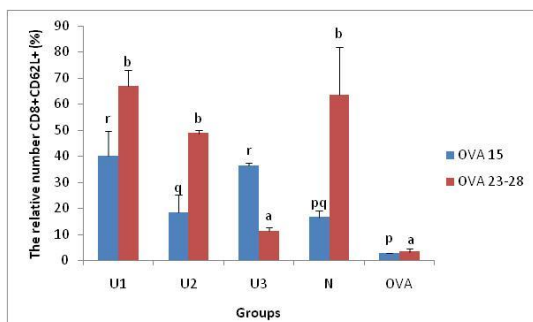


Figure 3. The relative number of CD8⁺CD62L⁺ after injection OVA on day 15 and day 23-28

Description

N = Normal

OVA = OVA-sensitized and challenged

U1 = *D. alata* dose 1 (0.167 g/kg bw)

U2 = *D. alata* dose 2 (2.008 g/kg bw)

U3 = *D. alata* dose 3 (10.039 g/kg bw)

Based on ANOVA, the relative number of naïve T cells in all dose treatment shows significant difference compared to the positive control ($p < 0.05$). However, dose 0.167 g/kg bw and 10.039 g/kg bw have no significant

difference ($p > 0.05$) with relative number 40.18 % and 36.4 % (Figure 4). The lowest dose (0.0167 g/kg bw) stimulate the highest cell proliferation of naïve T cells. This suggests that the active compounds in the extract ethanol of purple yam tuber can reduce the number of CD8⁺ T cells thereby increasing the number of naïve CD8 T cells.

The number of CD8⁺CD62L⁺ T cells in dose 0.167 g/kg bw on days 23-28 in mice digestive allergy showed a decreased significantly compared to positive control ($p < 0.05$) (Figure 3). Based on figure 4 is known that the relative number of CD8⁺CD62L⁺ in mice digestive allergy that fed by ethanol extract of purple yam tuber at dose 0.167 g/kg bw with relative number 67.04 % increased significantly compared with the dose 2.008 g/kg bw and 10.039 g/kg bw ($p < 0.05$) with relative number 48.77% and 11.2 %. This suggests that the treatment of purple yam tuber ethanol extract in small amounts can increase CD8⁺CD62L⁺ mice were exposed to digestive allergy. Allergic diseases are caused by uncontrolled Th2 cells based on the immune response to antigens from the environment. Several studies have shown that the likelihood of damage and weakness function of Treg cells in the pathogenesis of immune response against allergen [16]. CD62L is a marker of cell activation, resulting in a decrease in the number of CD8⁺CD62L⁺ naïve T cells indicate the activity is transformed into a CD8⁺ T cell subsets, such as regulatory T cells as a result of exposure to allergens into the body [6].

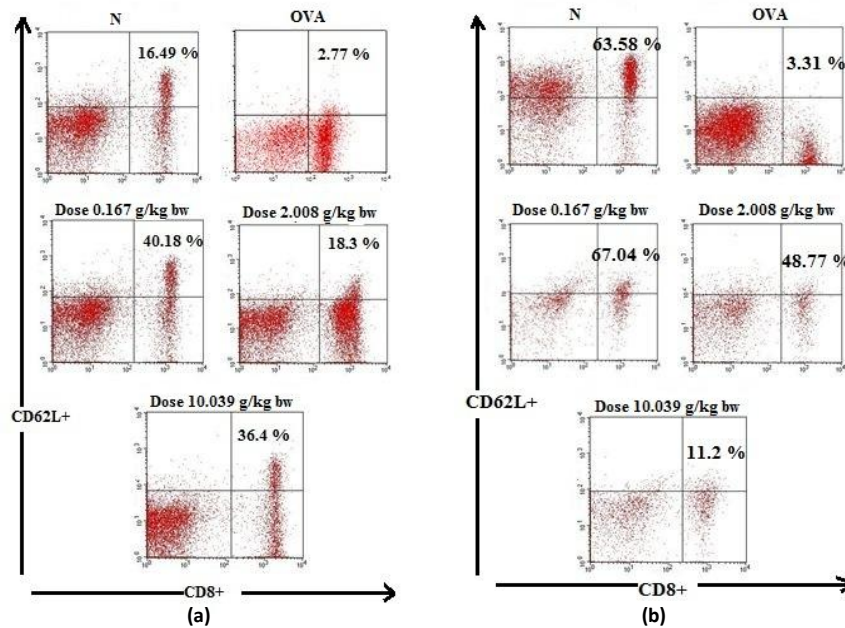


Figure 4. The percentage of relative number of CD8⁺ after injection OVA on day 15 (a) and day 23-28 (b)

Mechanism of action of CD4⁺ as a long-term modulation of the immune system, among others, through the activation of several cytokines that are able to facilitate the development and maturation of CD8⁺ T cells. Cytokines include IL-1, IL-2 and IFN γ . The increase in CD4⁺ T cells influence the activation of CD8⁺ T cells [17]. CD8⁺ response will be more active and function more optimally in the presence of various cytokines released by CD4⁺ T cells [17],[18].

Liver histology after administration of ethanol extract purple yam tuber (*Dioscorea alata* L.)

Histology analysis in mice with digestive allergy (OVA) showed the structure of hepatocytes in abnormal conditions, which is damaged hepatocytes and contained many infiltrating lymphocytes (Figure 5). OVA exposure to the mice caused structural damage of hepatocytes. Hepatocytes damage is shown by necrosis signs in the structure. Necrosis is the incidence of cell death induced by pathological processes. Some causes of cell necrosis are viruses, microorganisms, chemicals, or other dangerous agents [19]. Necrosis is characterized by the presence of DNA fragments which scattered in the cell. The structure in healthy mice with normal conditions (N group) is hexagonal shaped, nucleus in the middle of nuclei (Figure 5).

The structure of hepar cells after administration of OVA showed signs of necrosis, which is the nucleus shrinkage than other

hepatocytes and undergo pyknotic nuclei (Figure 5). Pyknotic is nucleus size shrinkage and nucleoli condensation, so that the nucleus appears solid purple with shrinkage. However, the ethanol extract of purple yam tuber able to reduce the cells undergo pyknotic and infiltration of mononuclear cells. Ethanol extract of purple yam tuber at dose 0.167 g/kg bw and 2.008 g/kg bw can reduce the distribution of lymphocyte infiltration. While the dose of 10.039 g/kg bw was obtained infiltration of mononuclear cells although the amount is not as much as the positive control digestive allergy.

Mononuclear cells, such as lymphocytes or neutrophils were present in the liver tissue structure, generally surrounding the necrotic cells. A collection of cells known as the necrotic foci. This is consistent with the study Huang et al. (2010), that diosgenin has allergenic activity in Balb/C mice were sensitized and dichallenge ovalbumin shown by the suppression of IgE production and infiltration of mast cell degranulation [5]. Necrotic foci in mice exposed to allergen showed the distribution of most digestion (Figure 5).

Liver damage due to toxic substances is influenced by several factors, such as the type of chemicals, doses administered, and the duration of exposure to substances such as acute, subchronic or chronic. The higher concentration of compound, the toxic response caused is greater. Liver damage can occur immediately or after a few weeks to several months. The damage can take the form of hepatocyte necrosis,

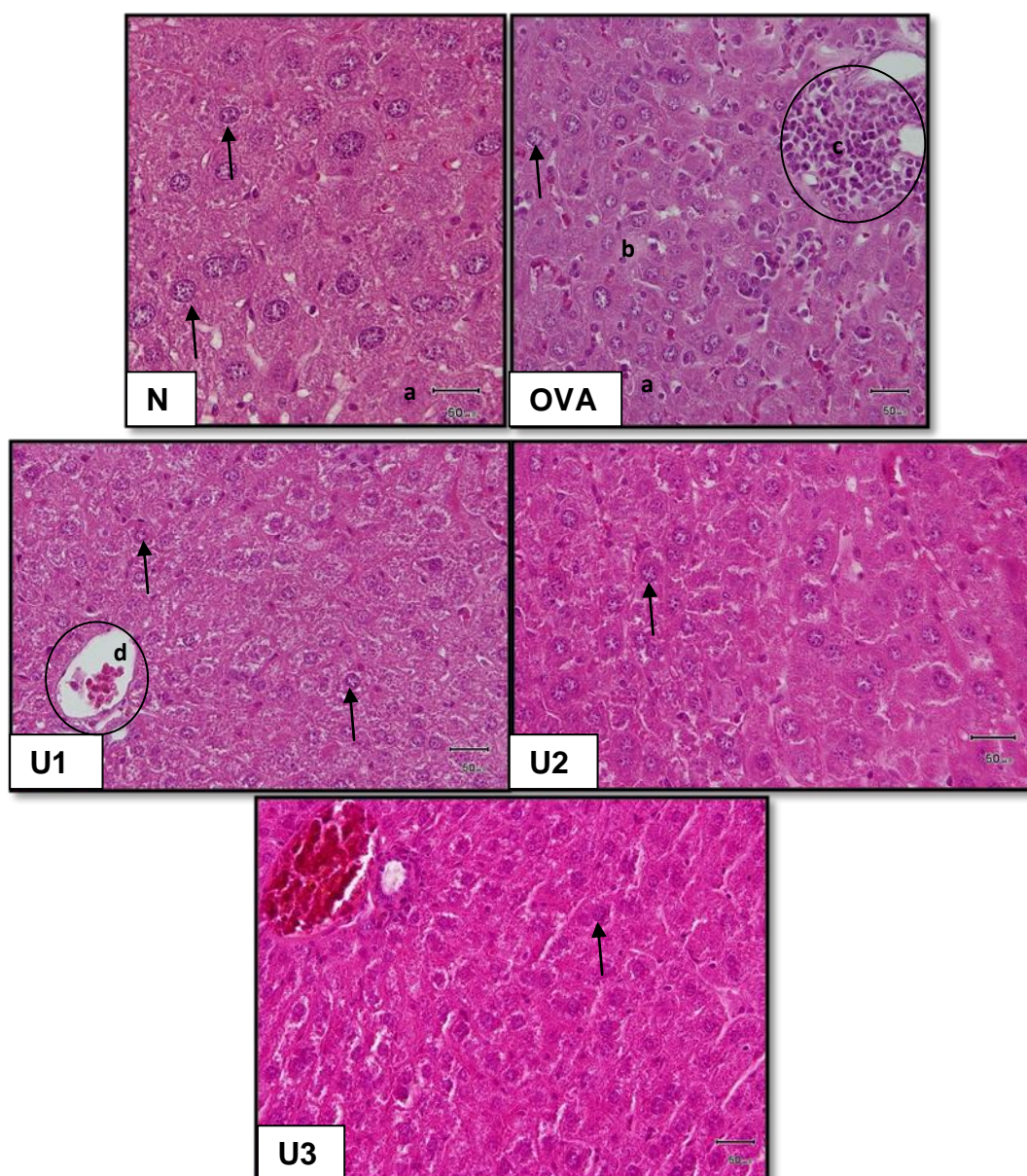


Figure 5. Histology of mice hepar after administration of purple yam tuber ethanol extract
Description; (N): negative control, OVA: positive control, U1 : dose 0.167 g/kg bw, U2 : dose 2.008 g/kg bw and U3 : dose 10.039 g/kg bw; 1 scale = 50 µm; → : normal hepatosit, a. Kariolysis, b. Picnosis, c. Necrotic foci, d. Vena Sentralis

cholestasis, hepatic dysfunction or onset slowly [20]. According to Robins and Kumar [20], liver damage due to chemical compounds characterized by lesions that provide a series of biochemical changes in function and structure. Some changes in the structure of the liver due to chemical compounds that can appear in such microscopic observation, inflammation, fibrosis, degeneration, and necrosis [21]. Although necrosis of liver cells also occurred in the control group but not included in the incidence of pathology because under normal circumstances

necrosis can also occur [22]. Ethanol extract of purple yam tuber reduced the nucleus pyknotic in hepatocytes cells and mononuclear cell infiltration in the liver tissue structure.

CONCLUSION

Ethanol extracts of purple yam tuber reduced CD8⁺ T cells in dose 0.167 g/kg BW and increased naïve T cells in mice digestive allergy. Ethanol extract of purple yam tuber reduced the nucleus pyknotic in hepatocytes cells and mononuclear cell infiltration in the liver tissue structure.

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Adaptive Immune Response Stimulation on Nephrolithiasis Mice Model after Treatment of Tempuyung (*Sonchus arvensis* L.) Leaf Extract

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Abstract

Calcium crystal accumulation on kidney can cause kidney stone (nephrolithiasis). The oxalate calcium crystal which is deposited on the kidney can trigger inflammation on the epithelial that is able to induce cell death (necrosis). The necrosis is able to cause inflammation and it will affect the body's immune system. Infection agent that comes to the body will be responded by the innate immunity which will be responded later by adaptive immunity. One of herbal agents that is expected to be used to stimulate adaptive immunity response is Tempuyung (*Sonchus arvensis*) leaf extract. The aim of this study is to find out the change of relative amount of CD4⁺ T cells, CD8⁺ T cells, and B (B220) cells on nephrolithiasis mice model after *S. arvensis* leaf extract. The mice are divided into six groups; control group, placebo, nephrolithiasis, *S. arvensis* leaf extract for 7 days, nephrolithiasis then it is continued with *S. arvensis* leaf extract for 7 days, and simultaneous (nephrolithiasis and *S. arvensis* leaf extract for 3 months). The amount of relative T lymphocyte cells is measured by using BD FACSCalibur FlowcytometerTM. The data is analyzed by using ANOVA one way ($p < 0.05$) using SPSS 16.0 software for Windows. The result shows that there are changes of relative CD4⁺ T cells, CD8⁺ T cells, and B (B220) cells on nephrolithiasis mice model after the giving of *S. arvensis* leaf extract. The treatment of *S. arvensis* leaf extract on the nephrolithiasis mice model can stimulate the homeostatic activity by suppressing the B cells. Compound of *S. arvensis* leaf extract that can inhibit of Th1 cells and the increase of Th2 cells by proliferation cells activity. The treatment of *S. arvensis* leaf extract for 7 days can suppress CD4⁺. The *S. arvensis* leaf extract can stimulate adaptive immune response which is caused by immunomodulatory active component.

Keywords: Nephrolithiasis, *Sonchus arvensis* L., leaf extract, adaptive immune response.

INTRODUCTION

Kidney stone is formed by calcium crystallization inside urinary tract and it usually causes pain, urine stoppage, and kidney damage [1]. The crystal formation inside the kidney is normal and is not dangerous if it is not excreted by urine. Any concentration in the urine inside the kidney will maintain water and nutrition and also eliminate excretion residue. Around 1,5 L excreted blood will become urine and there is urine supersaturation alongside two types of salt: calcium phosphate (CaP) and calcium oxalate (CaOx) which form crystal sediment on the process [2]. Adhesion of calcium oxalate crystal causes inflammation through cell death (necrotic) on kidney tubules proximal. Besides, the calcium crystal is also able to induce reactive oxygen species on kidney tubules observation [3].

The change on blood vessel can be overtaken by inflammation process which stimulates

leukocyte activation. The inflammation is a response to protect and trigger tissue recovery, but it can also stimulate tissue damage. Natural immunity response is a defense form of body towards inflammation agent of epithelial barrier, phagocyte cells (neutrophils and macrophage), NK (natural killer) cells and cytokine which control and coordinate various activities of the default immunity cells. Innate immune response will trigger specific immune response activity which is played by lymphocyte T and lymphocyte B cells. T cells control antigen and is essential for adaptive immunity. T cells and B cells are produced in bone marrow while undergoing maturity while T cells have their own in thymus. When inflammation response happens, the antigen which is brought by macrophage will activate CD4⁺ T cells. The activated CD4⁺ T cells can activate CD8⁺ T cells, B cells, macrophage and NK cells. CD4⁺ T cells stimulate IL-4 secretion so that it can activate B cells and then the cells will differentiate to become plasma cells which produce antibody as a response towards specific immunity [4].

B cells also have signal receptors which is B220 (CD45) [5]. B220 is a B cell marker that comes

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from glycoprotein on cells surface of lymphoid. The B220 marker is only found in B cells and bone marrow subset which covers B cells precursor in the progress and B cells differentiation [6].

Immune response modulation is an immunomodulator activity through response suppression which is known as immunosuppressant and immune response increase is known as immunostimulant [7]. The work of immunostimulant includes augmentation of anti-inflammation immunity by the cells form of the body immune system which covers lymphocyte subset, macrophage, dendritic and natural killer (NK) cells. The next mechanism occurs through competent cells induction which is involved in adaptive immunity [8]. Immunosuppressant activity through cells suppression which produce cytokine pro inflammation so that it can prevent T cells activation [9]. Wahyudi shown that *S.arvensis* as herbal medicine is the basic material which is proven to be able to destroy kidney stone [10]. Up to now the mechanism of *S.arvensis* in modulating immune response is still unknown; that is why scientific study about the plant's immunomodulator activity is needed.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Ethical Clearance

All experimental procedures were performed with the approval of the ethic committee of research of the Brawijaya University, ethical clearance no.127-KEP-UB.

Mice

Specific pathogen free 2-months-old male BALB/c mice were obtained from the Galaxy Science, Wringinangung Jombang Jember, Indonesia. Mice were acclimated for 7 days before treatment. Mice were maintained in animal chamber pathogen free.

Induction of Nephrolithiasis

Nephrolithiasis model mice were made by administrated with 6 mg/100g BW/day of porang tuber (*Amorphopallus muelleri*) powder orally for 3 months [11].

Treatment of Tempuyung (*Sonchus arvensis*) Leaf Extract

Giving 3.3 mg/g BW/ day of *S.arvensis* leaf extract orally for 7 days. As a placebo, hydrochlorothiazide administrated orally with 0.00142 mg/g BW / day for 6 days [12].

Lymphocytes Cells Isolations

Experimental animals were killed by neck dislocation, sectioned using standard method. The spleen was removed and washed three times with sterile PBS, transferred another petri dish which containing PBS. The spleen crushed by syringe base and then suspension are filtered with BD cells strainer and transfered into propylene tube. Then added PBS until 10 ml and centrifuged by 2500 rpm for 5 minutes in 4°C. Pellet resuspended in 1 ml PBS. Cells suspension is taken 200 µl and transferred into micro tube and added with 500 µl PBS, and then it is centrifugated by 2500 rpm for 5 minutes in 4°C. The pellet is incubated with antibodies : washperm 1 : 200 [13].

Antibody Staining and Flow Cytometry Analyze

Antibody are FITC – conjugated anti-mouse CD4, PE – conjugated anti-mouse CD8 and PE-conjugated anti-B220. Analytical flow cytometry were performed by using FACS Calibur flow cytometer (BD Bioscience). Preparative cells sorting were performed by using FACS Vantage cells sorter (BD Bioscience).

Statistical Analysis

The data is analyzed by using one way ANOVA (Analysis of Variance) ($p < 0,05$) with SPSS (Statistical Product and Service Solution) 16.0 software, followed by Tukey HSD.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells Profiles

The nephrolithiasis treatment can increase significantly CD4⁺ T cells profile by 20.29±0.89%. Calcium crystal can stimulate secretion of pro inflammation cytokine through NLRP3 (NOD like receptor). Activation of NLRP3 can causes recruitment to the inflammasome triggers caspase-1 for cleaves pro inflammatory cytokine into their active and secreted forms. The pro inflammatory cytokine secretion is stimulated by CD4⁺ T cells activation [14,15,16]. CD4⁺ T cells profile is T helper (Th) cells which has matured because of activation of antigen exposure from the outside. Macrophage brings antigen and it is brought to be represented through MHC II. The process is adaptive immunity response as a response towards antigen exposure [7].

CD4⁺ T cells activity increase after *S.arvensis* leaf extract treatment and nephrolithiasis induction is not different significant. But, there is CD4⁺ T cells profile decrease for 18.77±0.85%. The research in line also argued that flavonoid

can suppress CD4⁺ T cells and CD8⁺ T cells activation through activation suppression of nuclear factor kappa beta (Nf-Kβ) [17]. CD4⁺ T cells activity increase after *S.arvensis* leaf extract treatment and nephrolithiasis induction is not different significant. But, there is CD4⁺ T cells profile decrease for 18.77±0.85%. The research in line also argued that flavonoid can suppress CD4⁺ T cells and CD8⁺ T cells activation through activation suppression of nuclear factor kappa beta (Nf-Kβ) [17]. The treatment of *S.arvensis* leaf extract after nephrolithiasis induction is not different significantly from placebo group with average 7.52±0.65%. The 7 days treatment of *S.arvensis* leaf extract is different significantly in decreasing CD4⁺ T cells profile for 7.58±0.14%.

Flavonoid is able to obstruct Nf-kβ and MAPK (mitogen activated protein kinase) activation. Nf-kβ transcription factor obstruction through ERK1/2 (extracellular signal-regulated kinase) regulation decrease, JNK (Jun N-terminal kinase), and protein p38 signaling pathways [18]. MAPK obstruction is related to the activation of macrophage activity which synthesizes cytokine pro inflammation. Besides, it is effectively able to decrease MCP-1 (monocyte chemoattractant protein) and ICAM-1 (intracellular adhesion molecule) regulation which have important role to activate lymphocyte [7,19]. Treatment of *S.arvensis* leaf extract simultaneously on the average 14.37±0.27% of CD4⁺ T cells. This were not significant difference.

The activated CD4⁺ T cells can stimulate cytokine IL-2 secretion to activate CD8⁺ T cells. The treatment of *S.arvensis* leaf extract for 7 days and it significantly can decrease the CD8⁺ T cells profile for 10.14±0.17% (Fig.1). Activity of

compound flavonoid in the plants extract can suppress CD8⁺ T cells activity. Nephrolithiasis group with average 16.13±0.37% of CD8⁺ T cells is not significantly different from control gorup. The treatment of the *S.arvensis* leaf extract after nephrolithiasis induction 11.23±1.16% is not significantly different from nephrolithiasis group and control group but there is a decrease of CD8⁺ T cells profile. The treatment of the extract simultaneously on average 10.97±0.74% is not significantly different in affecting CD8⁺ T cells profile change. Quercetin activity from flavonoid can suppress CD8⁺ T cells activity through TCF 1 (T cells Factor) or β catenin obstruction via P13K/AKT/ERK pathway [20]. TCF-1 has a role in expanding selection positive in Thymus [21]. CD8⁺ T cells proliferation is stimulated by IL-2 secretion. Flavonoid can decrease IL-2 secretion so that it also can decrease CD8⁺ T cells activity [22].

B Cells Profile

B cells profile indicates the amount of B cells which has matured to produce antibody. Based on the data in Figure 2, it is shown that nephrolithiasis significantly can decrease B cells profile by 50.34±0.66%. However, it is not significantly different from placebo group. The treatment of *S.arvensis* leaf extract after nephrolithiasis induction significantly can decrease B cells profile by 43.77±1.50%. B cells profile significantly increases 69.88±0.58% in the 7 day treatment. B cells profile increase significantly in the 7 days treatment for the *S.arvensis* leaf extract seems to be able to increase the Th2 proliferation and prevent Th1 cells activation through TGFβ stimulation.

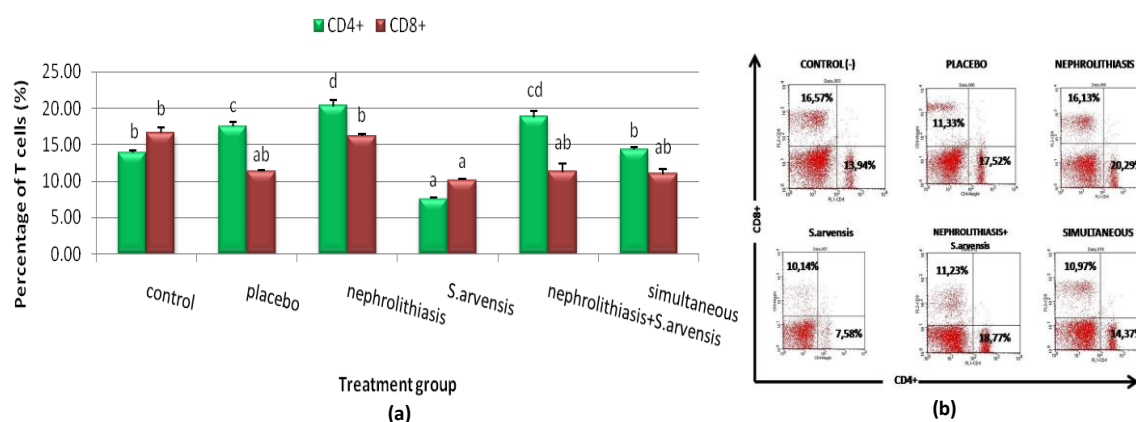


Figure 1. CD4⁺ T cells and CD8⁺ T cells in BALB/c mice spleen. (a) Relative numbers of each CD4⁺ T cells and CD8⁺ T cells subpopulation derived from BALB/c mice determined by FACS analysis. Data are mean ± SD values of three mice in each group. (b) Spleen cells were obtained from 13-wk-old BALB/c mice, stained with indicated fluorescence-conjugated antibodies, and analyzed by flow cytometry. Percentages of CD4⁺ T cells and CD8⁺ T cells are shown in each panel.

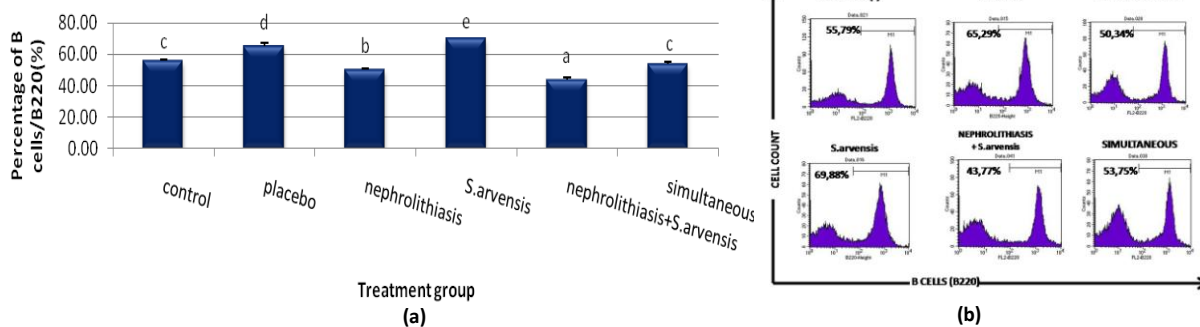


Figure 2. B cells in BALB/c mice spleen. (a) Relative numbers of each B cells subpopulation derived from BALB/c mice determined by FACS analysis. Data are mean \pm SD values of three mice in each group. (b) Spleen cells were obtained from 13-wk-old BALB/c mice, stained with indicated fluorescence-conjugated antibodies, and analyzed by flow cytometry. Percentages of B cells are shown in each panel.

Flavonoid in the *S.arvensis* leaf extract suggest can stimulate TGF- β . The treatment of *S.arvensis* leaf extract after nephrolithiasis is significantly decrease B cells profile. It is estimate that *S.arvensis* leaf extract can modulate immune response through increasing Th1 and Th2. Th1 and Th2 become the down-regulator and up-regulator each other to keep the homeostatic [23]. Treatments of nephrolithiasis induction can suppression significantly B cells. It is suspect that proliferation after CaOx accumulation in nephrolithiasis and suppression of Th2 proliferate can cause suppression B cells production.

Nephrolithiasis followed by *S.arvensis* leaf extract treatment can suppression significantly B cells profile. It is suspect that *S.arvensis* leaf extract can modulate immunity response through increase homeostatic of Th1 and Th2[24]. Flavonoid is suspected can stimulate of proliferation Th-2 to suppress of Th-1. The Th-2 cytokine is role plays stimulatory B cells for antibody secretion[8].

CONCLUSION

S.arvensis leaf extract can stimulate adaptive immunity response by suppressing CD4⁺ T cells and CD8⁺ T cells activation. Besides, the suppression of B cells can induce the homeostatic activity. The *S.arvensis* leaf extract can increase immunomodulator activity in nephrolithiasis.

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Bioactivity of Ethanolic Extract of Propolis (EEP) in Balb/C Mice's CD4⁺CD25⁺ and B220⁺ Lymphocyte Cells

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Abstract

This experiment was aimed to determine the bioactivity of ethanolic extract of propolis (EEP) against the changes in the quantity of CD4⁺CD25⁺ and B220⁺ lymphocytes and determine the optimal dose of EEP to increase the number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ and B220⁺ cells in Balb/c mice. Balb/c mice were divided into four treatment groups: control treatment, treatments of EEP at a dose of 50 mg.kg⁻¹, 100 mg.kg⁻¹, and 200 mg.kg⁻¹ body weight of mice. All mice were dissected after two weeks post treatment. Profiles of lymphocytes from the spleen expressing CD4⁺CD25⁺ and B220⁺ cells were analyzed by flowcytometry using CellQuest software. Data was analyzed by Kruskal Wallis and Mann Whitney statistical test with P<0.05 using SPSS 16.0 for Windows. The results showed that the treatment of dose of 50 mg.kg⁻¹ of EEP can increase relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ cells significantly, but those cells decrease significantly when we apply the dose of 100 and 200 mg.kg⁻¹. The relative number of B220⁺ cells increase in the dose of 50 and 200 mg.kg⁻¹ and decrease in the dose of 100 mg.kg⁻¹ compared to the control. This experiment suggest that EEP has bioactivity to modulate the quantity of CD4⁺CD25⁺ and B220⁺ in dependent manner.

Keywords: B220⁺, CD4⁺CD25⁺, lymphocyte, propolis

INTRODUCTION

Propolis is a natural product from a mixture of plant derived products, which modified and used by bees for various needs. Bees use propolis in nature as antibiotics and protective materials from the threat of drought to their nests [1]. Propolis contains resin, fatty acids, waxes, proteins, polysaccharides, hydrocarbons, and various other organic compounds [2,3]. Propolis as a traditional medicine used by people as an anti-inflammatory, antibacterial, antiparasitic, antifungal, antitumor, antioxidant, and have immunomodulatory effects [1].

Immunomodulator is one mechanisms that needed in the body's immune system. Immunomodulatory activity is a form of biological or pharmacological effects on various factors in the immune response. The purpose of immunomodulatory itself is to modulate the homeostasis of immune system. Immunomodulatory activity also used to treat and prevent various diseases originating from any occurred imbalance. The activities of immunomodulators are immunosuppressants and immunostimulant [4]. Immunomodulatory effects of propolis was known better compared to other immunomodulatory

substance that has only flavonoid components as main substances [5]. A number of clinical studies have proved that propolis has the ability to activate the body's immune system in mice and humans. This is supported by experiment data that showed an increase in the secretion of IL1, IL2, and IL4, increased antibody responses, cell proliferation of T lymphocytes, increased ratio of CD⁺/CD⁺, and activation of macrophages [1].

The effect of propolis on CD4 T cell differentiation process has not known yet [6]. CD4 T cell activation is also known to be influential in the process of B cell proliferation [7]. This study was conducted to determine the bioactivity of EEP on production of CD4⁺CD25⁺T cells and B220⁺ B cells in the spleen organ of Balb/c mice.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

This experiment was conducted on September 2013 until June 2014 at Laboratory of Animal Physiology and Animal Room, Department of Biology; Biomedical Laboratory and Laboratory of Pharmacology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Brawijaya, Malang. There are four treatment groups that used in this experiment i.e. negative control, EEP dose 50, 100, and 200 mg.kg⁻¹ body weight of mice.

Materials and Equipments

The materials which were used in this experiment are ethanolic extract of propolis

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(EEP), Balb/c mice, mineral water, pellets BR-1, sterile distilled water, 70% alcohol, sterile PBS, and the monoclonal antibody (rat anti-mouse CD-4, CD-25, and B220). The equipments which were used in are cage of mice, masks, scales, spatulas, erlenmeyer glass, oral administration tool, section sets, surgical board, petri dish, micropipette, mikrotube, propylene tubes, yellow and blue tip, centrifugation, flowcytometry cuvette, and FACS Calibur™ flowcytometry.

Animal

Mice (*Mus musculus*) strains Balb/c 8 weeks old in healthy condition with \pm 25 g body weight. Mice were purchased from mice farmers in Jember with pathogens free certification. Acclimatization mice were performed for seven days before giving the treatment.

Propolis Extraction

Propolis obtained from local bee keepers in Lawang, Malang, Indonesia. Propolis extraction process performed by maceration method. Clumps of propolis were collected from the hiveside. The propolis weighed as much as 200 grams and then maserated with 1 L of absolute ethanol. The solution of propolis maceration was filtered and evaporated for \pm 1.5-2 hours. The resulting ethanolic extract of propolis was filtered and evaporated in a heated dish in the oven. The EEP is placed in a bottle and stored in a refrigerator with temperature of 4°C.

Oral Administration of EEP in Balb/c Mice

Each of mice in the treatment groups were given EEP with various doses (doses of 50, 100, and 200 mg.kg⁻¹ body weight of mice) for 14 days. The EEP diluted with mineral water in accordance with the need of each dose then given to mice orally. Group of control mice was not given oral administration of EEP treatment.

Animal Dislocation and Spleen Organ Isolation

Mice were killed by neck dislocation. Mice that had been killed was dissected in their dorsal part to isolate the spleen organ. Spleen which has been isolated then was washed twice and soaked in sterile PBS.

Flowcytometry Analysis

Spleen organ was crushed in a sterile petri dish containing sterile PBS. Spleen homogenates were filtered using wire and placed in propylene was then centrifuged at 2500 rpm speed, with the temperature of 4°C for 5 minutes. Pellets

were separated from the supernatant was then added with 1 ml of sterile PBS and homogenized. The second homogenates were then taken for 50 mL and placed in mikrotube containing 500 mL of sterile PBS. Homogenate in mikrotube was centrifuged again at 2500 rpm speed, with the temperature of 4°C for 5 minutes. Pellets then added and incubated with solution of 50 mL monoclonal antibodies (rat anti-mouse CD4, rat anti-mouse CD25, and rat anti-mouse B220) respectively, which is specific to cells expressing CD4⁺CD25⁺ and B220⁺. The number of lymphocytes cells expressing CD4⁺CD25⁺ and B220⁺ was then calculated by inserting the cuvette containing pellet and antibodies was resuspended with 300 mL PBS into flowcytometry tool (FACS Calibur™ flowcytometry) that has been setting before.

Data Analysis

Data were analyzed with CellQuest software and were further tested with Kruskal Wallis test ($p < 0.05$). The data show significant test results continue tested by Mann Whitney test. Data analysis was done using SPSS 16.0 for Windows.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Bioactivity of EEP on CD4⁺CD25⁺T Cells

Changes in the relative number percentage of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells to the lymphocyte cells population due to the effect of EEP between treatment groups generally show a decline pattern based on the results of flowcytometry analysis (Figure 1). The EEP in the treatment of D1 group is not giving significant effect on changes in the relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells to the lymphocyte cells population when compared with the control group. The relative number percentage of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells in the control group by 0.97% is not different if it's compared to the group of D1 by 0.98%.

Various doses of EEP can give significant effect ($P < 0.05$) on decrease in the relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells population between D1, D2, and D3 treatment groups based on the Mann Whitney test (Figure 2). The lowest relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells affecting by giving EEP was seen in the D3 treatment group with a percentage of 0.56%. These results showed that the EEP doses of 100 and 200 mg.kg⁻¹ body weight of mice can effect of reducing the relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells whereas a dose of 50 mg.kg⁻¹ influential in increasing the relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells even though it is not significantly when compared to the control.

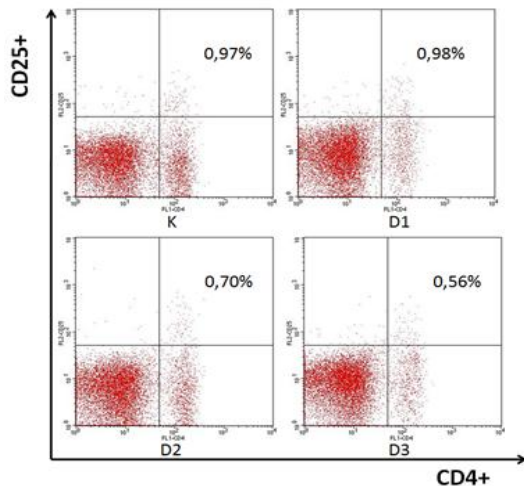


Figure 1. Profile of relative number percentage of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells to the lymphocyte cells population flowcytometry analysis results between groups (K= control, D1 = EEP at dose of 50 mg.kg⁻¹, D2 = EEP at dose of 100 mg.kg⁻¹, and D3 = EEP at dose 200 mg.kg⁻¹).

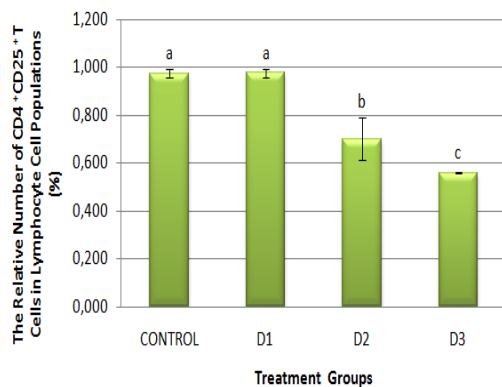


Figure 2. The relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells to the lymphocyte cells population between treatment groups of mice after the oral administration of EEP for two weeks.

Increased doses of EEP which is given in mice based on this experiment may be will boost the number of other immunocompetent cells than the number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells population. The total activation of other immunocompetent cell that occurs in the cell population of lymphocytes can be greater than the number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells were activated itself. T reg cells beside derived from CD4 T cell populations are also known can be derived from the population of CD8⁺ cells by CD8⁺CD122⁺ marking. According to the experiment by Rifa'i *et al.* [8] CD8⁺CD122⁺ cells have the ability to control the activation of CD8⁺ and CD4⁺ T cells through the study of in-vivo and in-vitro were performed. CD8⁺CD122⁺

population thus able to be used to control the presence of abnormal T cells.

The content of compound in propolis there is known as an immunosuppressant. One such of that compound is Artepilin C (Art-C). Immunosuppressive function of Art-C are acting in suppress the percentage of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells and IL-10 cytokine production in cultured lymphocytes in-vitro. The function of T reg cells CD4⁺CD25⁺FOXP3⁺ mediated through the production of IL-10 and TGFβ [9]. Cytokine TGF-β and IL-10 are known have a role on the process of differentiation of Treg cells [10]. Cytokine IL-10 may play a role in autocrine against Treg cells mainly serves to maintain FoxP3 expression [11]. Significant decrease in the relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells in this experiment thus can also occur due to the content of Art-C compounds in propolis that has function as immunosuppressive as where the results of experiment conducted by Cheunga *et al.* [10].

Giving Brazilian EEP at a dose of 200 mg.kg⁻¹ for 14 days in mice are known to inhibit the production of IL-1, IL-6, IFN-γ, IL-2 and IL-10 by spleen cells [1,12]. CAPE in propolis compounds known to inhibit IL-2 gene transcription and expression of IL-2R (CD25), and T cells ploriferation in humans. The process can occur by working CAPE compounds that inhibit the transcription factor NFAT and NF-Kb [13]. IL-2 is a cytokine that is able to stimulate the activation and differentiation of T reg cells [14]. T reg cells that stay in peripheral areas will be maintained through the presence of IL-2, although IL-2 does not play an important role against the development of T reg cells in the thymus [15]. Therefore, if the amount of IL-2 was reduced following by administration of EEP then it can be closely related to a decrease in the number of Treg cells in the lymphocyte cells population. Effect of EEP in mice against suppression to the relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells in the lymphocyte cells population thus can be due to a content of compounds that are CAPE as imunosupresor.

Treg cells are a population of lymphocytes that are characterized by the high expression of CD25⁺ molecules surface markers. Another molecules marker but also provide a more specific characteristic for T reg cells [16]. Specific Treg cells can be identified by the presence of FoxP3. Molecule transcription factor FoxP3 in Treg cells is a molecule that plays a key role in the development of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells as well as transcription molecule that induces the

expression of CD25⁺ [17]. Effect of EEP in this experiment but only up to the marking of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells and was not done until the identification of the presence of FoxP3. Therefore, the results of in experiment have not been able to explain in more specific about how the effect of EEP to change in the real relative number Treg cells CD4⁺CD25⁺FOXP3⁺ in lymphocyte cells population.

Bioactivity of EEP on B220⁺ Cells

Treatment of EEP in mice provide a diverse effect on the profile of the relative number percentage of B220⁺ cells in each treatment group (Figure 3). Effect of EEP was significantly (P<0.05) differences in the relative number of B220⁺ cells seen in mice in the treatment D1, D2, and D3 group when compared with the relative number of B220⁺ cells in the control treatment group (Figure 4).

The increase in the relative number of B220⁺ cells was significantly affected by EEP with D1 dose (50 mg.kg⁻¹) and D3 dose (200 mg.kg⁻¹). The relative number of B220⁺ cells on D1 increased compared to the control group, approximately 59.90%. It is also not different from the relative number of B220⁺ cells on D3 group with a percentage of 60.02%. The increase in the relative number of B220⁺ cells due to the effect of EEP but did not different significantly between D3 group with D1 group. Effect of EEP in reducing the relative number of B220⁺ cells was significantly seen in D2 group with the relative number of B220⁺ cells was only approximately 49.61%.

The results of this experiment showed that ther are instability of the patterns of change in the relative number of B220⁺ cells due to the influence of EEP. The increase in the relative number of B220⁺ cells in the lymphocyte population in the D1 and D3 treatment group showed that the content of compounds in propolis at that dose range that is assumed to be able to increase the relative number of B220⁺ cells in the lymphocyte cell population. Effect of EEP in decrease the relative number of B220⁺ cells significantly that occur in the D2 group indicate the presence of a suppressor mechanism that occurs in there.

Assumptions that can be awakened to explain this phenomenon is in the dose of 100 mg.kg⁻¹ body weight of mice is a possible dose that can maximize suppressor molecules activity to reduce the relative number of B220⁺ cells in the lymphocyte cells population.

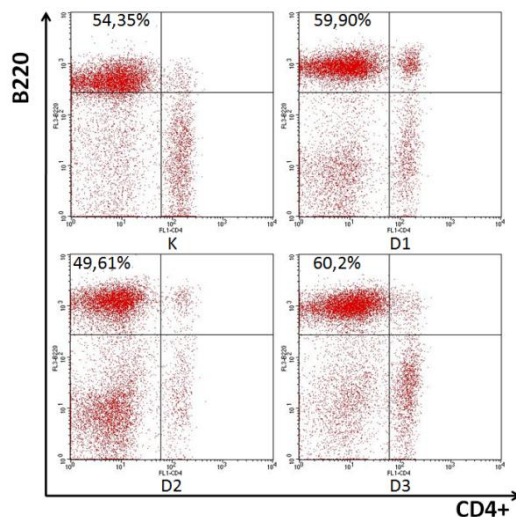


Figure 3. Profile of relative number percentage of B220⁺ cells flowcytometry analysis results between groups (K= control, D1 = EEP at dose of 50 mg.kg⁻¹, D2 = EEP at dose of 100 mg.kg⁻¹, and D3 = EEP at dose 200 mg.kg⁻¹).

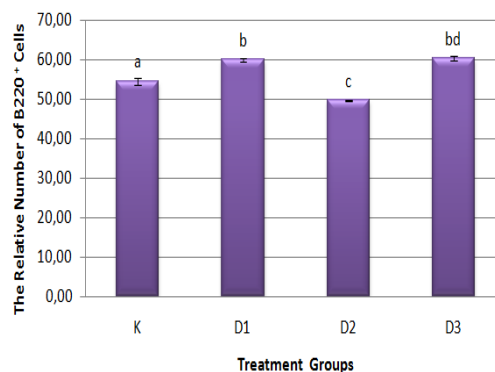


Figure 4. The relative number of B220⁺ cells between treatment groups of mice after the oral administration of EEP for two weeks.

Experiment conducted by Draganova *et al.* [18] showed that the ethanol extract of Bulgarian propolis at low concentrations 1 and 2.5 mg.L⁻¹ was able to increase the proliferation of B cells in PBMC (Peripheral Blood Mononuclear Cells) cell culture. The use of high concentration 10 mg.L⁻¹ on the other hand can induce apoptosis in B lymphocyte cells up to 56.08%. Ethanol extract of propolis with low concentrations preferable for the entire population of cells to support proliferation activities and it will also provide protection for B lymphocytes cell. Therefore it can be assumed that the EEP with a low dose (D1) is the best dose to increase the relative number of B220⁺ cells.

Propolis is known to have the ability to enhance the activation of macrophages and T lymphocytes. Activation of macrophage cells will

produce various kinds of cytokines, there are IL-1, IL-6, IL-12, and TNF- α . Cytokine product was produced by macrophages at the same time will stimulate T cell activation. Increased T cell activation will give possibility to improve the production of IFN- γ . Activation of CD4⁺ T cells will have an impact on the process of differentiation of CD4⁺ T cells into Th1 cells. Th1 cells it has contributed to the production of IL-2 and IFN- γ [12,19,20]. IFN- γ products are known to have activity in suppressing the B cell differentiation process [5]. The number of IFN- γ produced by macrophages it can inhibit the proliferation of B and T cells if it is too much [21]. Therefore, the content of compounds in propolis production is assumed to be able to suppress the humoral immune response as a result of increased production of cellular imun response.

CONCLUSION

Giving ethanolic extract of propolis (EEP) with dose of 50 mg/kg, 100 mg/kg, and 200 mg/kg body weight of mice thus significantly influence changes in the quantity of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells and B220⁺ cells, with a dose of 50 mg/kg as the optimal dose to increase the relative number of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells and B220⁺ B cells in Balb/c mice.

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Dried *Skeletonema costatum* in Feed Formulation for the Growth of Vaname Shrimp (*Litopenaeus vannamei*)

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Abstract

The aim of this study was to determine the effect and the best dosage used by the *Skeletonema costatum* in feed formulation on the growth of Vaname shrimp. This experiment used Completely Randomized Design (CRD) with four treatments and three replications. Treatment was given by using dried *S. costatum* in feed formula (iso protein 37% and iso energy 3.6 kkal/g feed). Feed treatment was the substitution of fish meal protein A = 0%, B = 2.5%, C = 5% and D = 7.5% with dried *S. costatum* protein. The observed parameters include Survival Rate (SR), Survival Growth Rate (SGR), Feed Efficiency Ratio (FER), and Protein Efficiency Ratio (PER). The results showed that the use of dried *S. costatum* in feeding are effective in increasing the specific growth rate, feed efficiency ratio and the ratio of protein efficiency than controls. The best dosage in feeding formula is ranged from 4.39% to 4.75%.

Keywords: feeding formula, *Skeletonema costatum*, Vaname Shrimp

INTRODUCTION

Vaname shrimp (*Litopenaeus vannamei* Boone) is one of the leading commodities of Indonesian fishing industry. This shrimp has high productivity in intensive pond thus many farmers cultivate its as the substitute of tiger shrimp. Vaname shrimp is widely known for its advantages of faster ability in growing than Black Tiger and *Stylostris* shrimp. Vaname shrimps also can be stocked at high densities, resistant to wide range of salinity, need lower protein and resistance to diseases [1,2,3].

Diatoms contain essential nutrients and also have an appropriate size as feed for Vaname shrimp. One of a diatoms which commonly used for feed is *Skeletonema costatum* (Greville) Cleve. The use of diatoms as a natural feed for Vaname shrimp can accelerate its growth in larval stadia. *Skeletonema costatum* is used as a supplementary food for basic nutrition in cultured *Artemia*, shrimp larvae and shellfish spat. Nutritional content of *S. costatum* has been widely studied, which is consisted of 31% protein, 21.5% carbohydrate and 1.3% total fat. In addition, *S. costatum* also contain fatty acid composition, free amino acids, β -1, 3 glucan and cell wall polysaccharides [4,5,6].

However, the use of diatom *S. costatum* in dry form has not been widely used. The glucan

which also found in diatom acts as an immunostimulant which will enhance the body's resistance of the shrimp. Thus the aim of adding dried *S. costatum* on Vaname shrimp's feed formulations are to enhance the growth and productivity by observing the parameter which measures the growth rate of shrimp, e.g. survival, specific growth rate, feed efficiency ratio, and protein efficiency ratio. Observed parameter chosen because related to the feed utilization and growth of the shrimp. This study aimed to determine the best used dose of dried *S. costatum* in the feed formulation on the growth of Vaname shrimp.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Preparation of Dried *S. costatum*

Skeletonema costatum was obtained from Center of Brackish Aquaculture Situbondo, from seawater which were purified repeatedly with pure subsequently cultured in a laboratory-scale stage, semi mass scale and mass scale. Furthermore, *S. costatum* were dried using an oven in temperature 60°C for 24 hours. The dried *S. costatum* analyzed proximately for its drying content using the oven method and its crude protein concentration using the micro kjedahl.

Preparation of feed

Before determining the formula, other feed's constituent material (fish meal, shrimp meal, soybean flour, tapioca flour, fish oil, vitamin, min mix and CMC) had been prepared and analyzed the proximate data according to AOAC [7].

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Table 1. Composition of experiment feed ingredients for vaname shrimp (*Litopenaeus vannamei*)

Ingredient	Dried Content (%)*	Protein (%)*	Fat (%)*	Ash Content (%)*	Rugged fiber (%)*	BETN**	Energy (kkal/gr)***
Fish meal*	92.19	56.86	6.12	28.7	4.91	3.41	296.16
Shrimp meal*	92.20	50.36	4.33	1.33	8.94	35.04	380.55
<i>S. costatum</i> meal*	87.38	24.70	2.22	55.55	1.04	16.49	184.74
Soybean flour*	91.74	45.65	0.14	7.90	4.23	42.08	352.18
Tapioca flour*	87.19	0.09	0.02	0.06	1.01	98.82	398.82

Description :

- * : Result analysis of Laboratory Nutrition and Feed, Faculty of Animal Husbandry, University of Brawijaya
- ** : BETN = 100 – Protein – Fat – Ash content – Rugged fiber
- *** : Energy = (4 x %Protein) + (9 x %Fat) + (4 x %BETN)

Table 2. Experiment feed formula of Vaname shrimp (*Litopenaeus vannamei*)

Ingredient (%)	Treatment Dose			
	A	B	C	D
Fish meal	24.73	23.10	21.47	19.85
Shrimp meal	26.45	26.45	26.45	26.45
Soybean meal	21.07	21.07	21.07	21.07
<i>S. costatum</i> meal	-	3.74	7.49	11.23
Tapioca meal	8.31	7.78	7.25	6.72
Fish oil	9	9	9	9
Vit + Min Mix	5	5	5	5
CMC	5.44	3.86	2.27	0.68
Total	100	100	100	100

Description :

- A = *S. costatum* meal protein substitution on fish meal protein 0%
- B = *S. costatum* meal protein substitution on fish meal protein 2.5%
- C = *S. costatum* meal protein substitution on fish meal protein 5%
- D = *S. costatum* meal protein substitution on fish meal protein 7.5%

Based on the proximate data of feed's constituent material (Table 1), the feed formulation is determined by worksheet method. Feed formulations based on the isoprotein 37% and isoenergi 3.6 kcal.g⁻¹. The treatments were protein substitution of fish meal to *S. costatum* meal (Table 2). All the materials were weighed according to the formulation and mixed until it reached its homogeneity. Homogenate were molded and dried in an oven on the temperature of 30°C for 1 day. Feeds of Vaname shrimp were made in pellets form in 0.55 mm size.

Biological Trials (In vivo)

Biological test of feeding experiments on Vaname shrimp (*Litopenaeus vannamei*) were conducted for 30 days. Each treatment was repeated three times. Control diet without using *S. costatum* meal, compared with three feed formulas that use *S. costatum* meal as the independent variable. The four treatments of feed formulations observed to assess its effect on survival rate (SR), specific growth rate (SGR), feed efficiency ratio (FER), and protein efficiency ratio (PER), which is referred as dependent variable.

This study used Vaname shrimp (*Litopenaeus vannamei*) in juvenile stadia with weight 6.41±0.55 g per shrimp, derived from Center of Brackish Aquaculture Situbondo. The Vaname shrimps were maintained in an aquarium sized 45x45x45 cm³ volume of 71 liters filled with sea water and the range of the salinity for 33-34 ppt. The outer surface of aquarium was covered with black plastic to imitate the real habitat of the shrimps. The aeration was also included in the aquarium.

Shrimp was acclimatized in the experimental container for 7 days toward the environment and feed. The day before the study was conducted, the shrimp were not feeded and weighed it right after fasting to determine the initial weight. Shrimp were stocked with initial weights uniformly with density of 12 shrimp per aquarium. Feed trials were given as much as 10% of the biomass weight, 4 times daily; as much as 20% at 07.00, 20% at 11.00, 20% at 17.00 and 40% at 21.00 of the amount given per day. Shrimp were weighed every 10 days. Removal of remains feed were done every morning before feeding and the water replaced as much as 20-30% of the total volume.

Measurement of water quality during the study include temperature, DO (Dissolved oxygen), pH and salinity which was done every day in the morning and evening. Otherwise, amonial content was measured at the beginning and end of the study.

Data analysis

Data were analyzed using SPSS 21.0 version with one way ANOVA test. The analysis was used to examine the effect of treatment, continued to Least Significant Difference (LSD) test with Duncan test method. This test followed by the analysis of orthogonal polynomials to get the best treatment value.

Survival Rate (SR)

Survival of Vaname shrimp (*L. vannamei*) is calculated using the formula [8]:

$$SR = \frac{Nt}{No} \times 100\%$$

Description:

- SR = Survival Rate
- Nt = Final number of shrimp
- No = Initial number of shrimp

Survival Growth Rate (SGR)

Observations growth of vannamei shrimp (*L.vannamei*) was done by weighing once every 10 days. Specific growth rate [9] can be calculated using the formula:

$$SGR = \frac{\ln \overline{Wt} - \ln \overline{Wo}}{t} \times 100\%$$

Description:

- SGR = Survival Growth Rate (%BW/day)
- \overline{Wt} = Average final weight of individual (gram)
- \overline{Wo} = Average initial weight of individual (gram)
- t = Time (days)

Feed Efficiency Ratio (FER)

Feed Efficiency Ratio was calculated by comparing the average final weight after

reducing the initial average weight of shrimp compared to the amount of feed (dry weight of feed) using the formula [10]:

$$FER = \frac{\overline{Wt} - \overline{Wo}}{F}$$

Description:

- FER = Feed Efficiency Ratio
- F = the amount of given feed (gram)
- \overline{Wt} = Average final weight of individual (gram)
- \overline{Wo} = Average initial weight of individual (gram)

Protein Efficiency Ratio (PER)

Protein Efficiency Ratio [9] calculated using the formula:

$$PER = \frac{(\overline{Wt} - \overline{Wo})}{(FxPf)}$$

Description:

- PER = Protein Efficiency Ratio
- F = the amount of given feed (gram)
- \overline{Wt} = Average final weight of individual (gram)
- \overline{Wo} = Average initial weight of individual (gram)
- Pf = Protein content in feed (%)

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The Survival Rate (SR), Specific Growth Rate (SGR), Feed Efficiency Ratio (FER) and Protein Efficiency Ratio (PER) on Vaname shrimp can be seen in Table 3. The results of one-way ANOVA showed that survival rate of Vaname shrimp is not significantly different between treatments (P>0.05). It indicates that the use of *S. costatum* meal in the feed formulation does not cause a negative response to the survival rate of Vaname shrimp.

Factors affecting survival rate are abiotic factors such as the adaptation ability to the environment, human handling, stocking density, competitors, age and the presence of predators. High stocking density would result lower survival due to cannibalism. The range of the water quality values showed in Table 4.

Table 3. Value parameters each treatment

Parameters	Treatment			
	A	B	C	D
SR (%)	77.78±4.81 ^a	86.11±4.82 ^a	88.89±4.82 ^a	88.89±4.82 ^a
SGR (%BW.day ⁻¹)	0.71±0.01 ^a	1.09±0.01 ^c	1.21±0.05 ^d	0.93±0.01 ^b
FER (%)	8.22±0.35 ^a	12.88±0.26 ^c	14.74±0.76 ^d	11.09±0.01 ^b
PER	0.22±0.01 ^a	0.34±0.01 ^c	0.40±0.02 ^d	0.30±0.00 ^b

Table 4. Water Quality of Vaname shrimp's Aquaculture during the study

Treatment	Water Quality Paramaters				
	pH	Temperature (°C)	DO (mgL ⁻¹)	Salinity (ppt)	Ammonia (mgL ⁻¹)
A (0.0%)	7.0 – 7.1	30.00 – 31.44	7.01 – 7.23	33 – 34	0.008 – 0.012
B (2.5%)	7.0 – 7.1	30.10 – 31.32	7.09 – 7.30	33 – 34	0.004 – 0.009
C (5.0%)	7.0 – 7.1	30.06 – 31.28	7.11 – 7.25	33 – 34	0.001 – 0.007
D (7.5%)	7.0 – 7.1	30.11 – 31.31	7.06 – 7.20	33 – 34	0.001 – 0.018

Table 5. Water Quality References

Parameters	Water Quality Value	
	Study	References
pH	7.0 – 7.1	6.8 - 8.7 [15]
Temperature (°C)	30.00 – 31.44	27 - 32 [16]
DO (mgL ⁻¹)	7.01 – 7.30	> 3 [16]
Salinity (ppt)	33 – 34	33-35 [17]
ammonia (mgL ⁻¹)	0.001 – 0.018	> 0.01 [18]

Based on statistical analysis the water quality does not significantly affect the value of each treatment. The values of the parameters of water quality during the maintenance are in the normal range, accordance with other studies in Table 5.

Other factors that may increase the survival rate during the culture is Vaname shrimp's feed quality and feeding level so that the feed requirements can be met without any competition. Frequency of feeding behavior of vaname shrimp was also noted by de Lima *et al.* [11] indicating that feeding can affect the activity of shrimp itself. In the natural ecosystem, they generally actively feed at night, therefore the shrimp included in the group of nocturnal animals. This is supported by Kordi [12], feeding were given gradually, but more frequent. Thus the shrimp are not quickly satisfied and the shrimp's appetite is maintained.

The relationship between the amounts of substitution *S. costatum* meal protein to fish meal protein (x) with survival (y₁) showed in the equation:

$$y_1 = -0.333x^2 + 3.944x + 77.91; R^2 = 0.57.$$

The highest known value is 88.98% survival rate with the best dose of 5.92% *S. costatum* meal to fish meal in the feed formula. According to Suwoyo and Mangampa [13], the increase of average weight of biota which is kept in line with the duration of maintenance can lead to the decrease of the individual specific growth rate. The difference in the growth rate could be due to the differences in the initial size and density of shrimp which were stocked, quality and quantity of feed, maintenance duration and cultivation containers which were used.

The relationship between the amounts of substitution *S. costatum* meal protein to fish

meal protein (x) with survival growth rate (y₂), showed in the equation:

$$y_2 = -0.026x^2 + 0.231x + 0.698; R^2 = 0.98$$

The best value obtained from the treatment at a dose of *S. costatum* meal protein substitution by 4.44% in feed formula with a specific growth rate of 1.21% BW.day⁻¹. Feed efficiency ratio indicates that better utilization of feed and absorbed feed by the body increase the growth. The increasing feed efficiency values were caused by high nutrient that can be optimally utilized by the body.

The relationship between the amounts of substitution *S. costatum* meal protein to fish meal protein (x) with feed efficiency ratio (y₃) showed in the following equation:

$$y_3 = -0.008x^2 + 0.076x + 0.215; R^2 = 0.95$$

The best dosage is 4.39% with a value of feed efficiency ratio 14.47%. The degree of protein efficiency ratio proteins is influenced by the quality of the feed. The higher the protein efficiency ratio values of feed protein quality the better it will be to increase the growth rate of shrimp. According to Buwono [14], protein quality of food is determined by the particular amino acid content of essential amino acids (arginine, histidine, isoleucine, leucine, lysine, methionine, phenylalanine, threonine, tryptophan and valine).

The relationship between the amounts of substitution *S. costatum* meal protein to fish meal protein (x) with protein efficiency ratio (y₄) showed in the equation below. The best dose is 4.75% with a protein efficiency ratio 0.40.

$$y_4 = -0.332x^2 + 2.912x + 8.082; R^2 = 0.96$$

CONCLUSION

The use of *Skeletonema costatum* meal protein to substitute fish meal protein in feed formula of Vaname shrimp affect the specific growth rate, feed efficiency ratio and protein efficiency ratio. The best dosage of *S. costatum* meal to increase the production of Vaname shrimp ranged 4.39% - 4.75% in feed formula.

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Effect of Reducing Sugar and Total Nitrogen to Ethanol Production from Molasses by *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*

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Abstract

Indonesia's oil production has declined, while demand for derivative products is increasing. Objective of this research are to understand effect of reducing sugar and total nitrogen variation to ethanol production and fermentation efficiency, cell viability, acidity, temperature, dissolved oxygen with molasses by *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (SAF Instant). Step of this research consist of determination of reducing sugar, ethanol fermentation, total nitrogen determination, ethanol determination and data analysis. Treatment of reducing sugar (GR) and total nitrogen (N) (g.L⁻¹) that are GR 100 N 0, GR 100 N 6, GR 100 N 10, GR 125 N 0, GR 125 N 6 and GR 125 N 10. Fermentation was carried out for 72 hours with three replications. Observation parameters every 24 hours are ethanol and reducing sugar concentration, temperature, acidity and dissolved oxygen. Highest ethanol resulted from GR 125 N 6 (3.68 g.L⁻¹) and GR 100 N 6 (3.53 g.L⁻¹). Low reducing sugar consumption inhibited by by-product of yeast metabolism and molasses chemical compound, lead leaves high sugar concentration (> 80 g.L⁻¹). GR 100 N 6 and GR 125 N 6 have highest fermentation efficiency (69 and 57 %). There was no increase in temperature and decrease in pH significantly ($\alpha > 0.05$). Dissolved oxygen decreased significantly ($\alpha > 0.05$) at the early of fermentation and decrease until the end of fermentation. Total nitrogen 6 g g.L⁻¹ has the highest fermentation efficiency.

Keywords: ethanol, molasses, reducing sugar, *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, total nitrogen

INTRODUCTION

Indonesia's oil production has declined, while demand for derivative products is increasing. Comparison of ethanol and the need for production in 2012 reached 15: 1 [1]. One of the solutions is use ethanol for replacing fossil fuel. The advantages of ethanol use for transportation purpose that it can be produced every time and low of CO² emission [2].

Saccharomyces cerevisiae is active microbe in the conversion of glucose to ethanol. Yeast growth is influenced by nutritional factors and environmental factors. The main nutrients that are important in the life of yeast cells are source of carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, and hydrogen. Other materials needed in small amounts for the cell (element phosphorus, sulphur, potassium and magnesium). The critical environmental parameters are temperature, pH, and oxygen and air pressure [3].

The major raw material for ethanol production in Indonesia is molasses. Molasses is a sugar cane factory waste and is not widely used as a staple food as in the case with starchy

materials [4]. Molasses has been used because this material does not require pre-treatment processes, so microbes can use it directly for metabolism [5].

However, the use of the concentration of reducing sugar in the molasses as a carbon source and additional nutrients in the form of urea as a nitrogen source was varied in each industry that use it. This research is important to understand the variation on the use of reducing sugars and total nitrogen in increasing ethanol production which is expected to encourage energy independence and reduce reliance on fossil energy sources.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Total Nitrogen and Calcium (Ca) Concentration Measurement

Total nitrogen measured use the Kjeldahl method [6]. Calcium concentration of molasses use Indonesian standard method/SNI [6].

Measurement of Reducing Sugar Concentration

Concentrations of reducing sugar of pure molasses and molasses was measured for every 24 hours in the fermentation process using 3,5-dinitrosalicylic (DNS) method [7].

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Ethanol Fermentation

The molasses was diluted with distilled water to make a reducing sugar concentration 125 g.L⁻¹ and urea has added 0.37 g.L⁻¹ (pH 5.5). Molasses was boiled at a temperature of 100°C for 10 minutes. The fermentation processes was consist of enrichment, pre-fermentation and fermentation.

Total of 20 ml of sterile molasses was added with 2 g of SAF Instant Yeast Gold Label and homogenized at a speed of 120 rpm for 3 hours at 30°C (enrichment). These results was poured into a sterile molasses to the volume of 200 ml and incubated at a speed of 120 rpm for 12 hours at 30°C (pre-fermentation). After it was moved to the sterile molasses with reducing sugar concentration and nitrogen setting (Table 1) to 1000 ml volume and incubated at a speed of 300 rpm for 72 hours.

Table 1. Treatment of Total N and reducing sugar concentration

No	Treatment	
	Reducing Sugar (g.L ⁻¹)	Total Nitrogen (g.L ⁻¹)
1	100	2.7
2	100	6
3	100	10
4	125	3.3
5	125	6
6	125	10

Ethanol Measurement

Ethanol concentration was measured using Dichromatic Acid Method [8].

Fermentation Efficiency

Fermentation efficiency was estimated using theoretical and real concentration of ethanol [9].

$$TE = SK \times V \times 0.511$$

$$FE = \frac{\text{Ethanol total} - \text{Initial ethanol}}{\text{End sugar} - \text{Initial sugar}}$$

$$FE = \frac{\text{Ethanol Yield (g)}}{\text{Theoretical ethanol}} \times 100\%$$

Description:

- TE = theoretical ethanol
- SK = sugar concentration
- V = volume of fermentation medium
- FE = fermentation efficiency

Fermentation Parameter

Parameters was measured consisted of acidity, temperature and dissolved oxygen (DO). Acidity was measured using pH meter, the

temperature measured by the thermometer, while DO was measured with DO meter.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Ethanol Production and Reducing Sugar Concentration

Highest ethanol concentration was produced is GR 100 N 6 (35.3 g.L⁻¹ or 3.53 %) (Fig. 1) and GR 125 N 6 (36.85 g.L⁻¹ or 3.68 %) (Fig. 2). Increasing of ethanol concentrations was significantly ($\alpha > 0.05$) occurred at 24 hours. Largest ethanol production occurs in the first 24 hours in the fermentation process [10]. This is caused by an increase in the fermentation process up to 10 % in the early phase of fermentation [11].

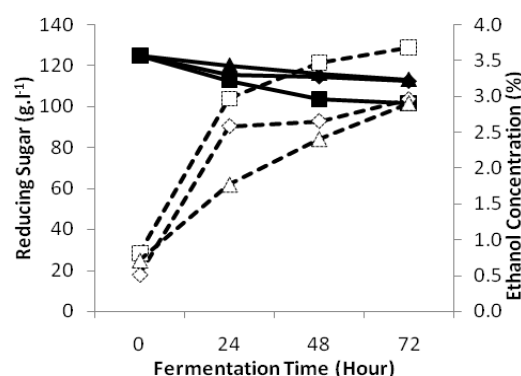


Figure 1. Effect of reducing sugar initial concentration 125 g.L⁻¹ to reducing sugar concentration (close symbol) and ethanol concentration (open symbol) Total nitrogen 0.27 & 0.33 g.L⁻¹ (♦ & ◇), 6 g.L⁻¹ (■ & □), 10 g.L⁻¹ (▲ & Δ)

Result of ethanol fermentation with treatment of GR 100 N 6 and GR 125 N 6 were significantly differences with the other ($\alpha = 0.05$). Reducing sugar concentration of 125 g.L⁻¹ resulted in higher ethanol concentrations than reducing sugar 100 g.L⁻¹. Ethanol yield is influenced by the concentration of the substrate, the higher the substrate (not more than 15 %), produced the higher ethanol yield [12].

Treatment of total nitrogen 6 g.L⁻¹ influence the concentration of produced ethanol. Addition of urea for increasing nitrogen concentration which produced the maximum ethanol concentration was 6 g.L⁻¹. Nitrogen is a major nutrient that influence fermentation efficiency and at the same time also become a limiting factor to the fermentation process. Limitations of the nitrogen will lead to a decrease in sugar transport activity in the stationary phase resulting in a decrease in the rate of

fermentation. The presence of nitrogen triggers the rate of metabolism of sugar and ethanol production [13].

Reducing sugar in all treatments decreased slightly so that a reducing sugar is still remains in a high concentration. This indicates that the fermentation process is not running optimally. Inhibition of this process of reducing sugar consumption may occur due to the influence of chemical compounds inside the compound of molasses and yeast cell metabolism. One of the compounds derived from molasses is sulphur dioxide [14].

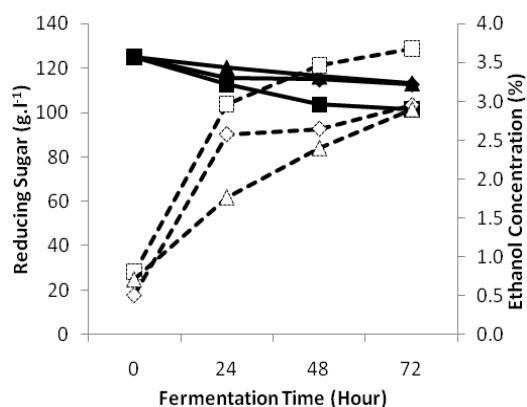


Figure 2. Effect of reducing sugar initial concentration 100 g.L⁻¹ to reducing sugar concentration (close symbol) and ethanol concentration (open symbol) Total nitrogen 0.27 & 0.33 g.L⁻¹ (♦ & ◇), 6 g.L⁻¹ (■ & □), 10 g.L⁻¹ (▲ & Δ)

Sulphur dioxides have antimicrobial effects by means of penetrating cell membranes and interfere with the activity of enzymes and proteins in the cell. When sulphur dioxide is added to the fermentation process, there will be a decrease in the rate of fermentation and increased production of acetaldehyde. Sulphur dioxide inhibits an enzyme that inhibits the SH-group and NAD [15].

Some of the yield compounds of yeast cell metabolism include furfural, 5-hydroxymethyl-furfural (HMF), acetic acid [15] and propionic acid [16]. Furfural and HMF at concentrations more than 0.5 % led to a decrease in sugar consumption and a decrease in the concentration of ethanol (7.5% and 26%). While the acetic acid concentration more than 0.15% causes reduction of ethanol concentration and productivity [17]. Furfural was caused to the accumulation of reactive oxygen species (ROS), mitochondrial membrane damage, and damage to the vacuole membrane, nucleus and actins chromatin

damage [18]. Concentration of 0.68 % propionic acid is toxic for *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* [17].

Effect of Reducing Sugar and Total Nitrogen to Fermentation Efficiency

The highest fermentation efficiency is GR 100 N 6 treatment (69%). This was followed by treatment of the GR 125 N 6 by 57%. This fermentation efficiency showed that the total nitrogen treatment at 6 g.L⁻¹ was able to improve the efficiency of fermentation. Fermentation media in the form of molasses had a fermentation efficiency of 68.5% [11]. The decline in the efficiency of the fermentation was due to the high concentration of reducing sugars and other components that were toxic [19].

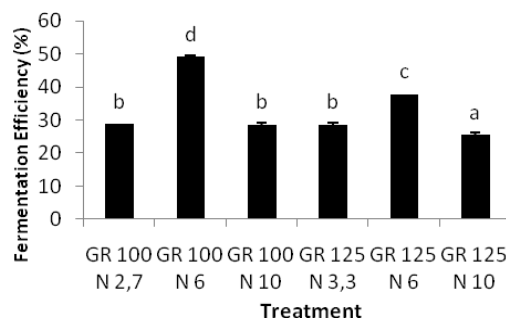


Figure 3. Ethanol Fermentation Efficiency after 72 hour

Efficiency of ethanol fermentation decreases with increase in sugar concentration resulting in increased osmotic pressure of the media or the number of cells that over capacity due to the high concentration of substrate. The high concentration of substrate inhibits the growth of yeast cells that lead to high osmotic pressure and low water concentration. This causes the yeast cells become dehydrated [20]. N concentration of 6 g.L⁻¹ led to the increased cell viability so that the process of carbohydrate metabolism (ethanol fermentation) increased [21].

Effect of Reducing Sugar and Total Nitrogen to Fermentation Parameters (T, pH and DO)

An increase on temperature of all treatments during the initial fermentation process (24 hours) were not significant ($\alpha > 0.05$) (Fig. 4). It indicates the process of carbohydrate metabolism. The increase on temperature in the initial phase of fermentation (first 24 hours) caused by exothermic metabolic activity (heat generating) by the microbial population [11].

Fermentation temperature at initial phase occurred at yeast fermentation of glucose (9 g or

1.7 kcal). The energy is sufficient to raise the temperature of 17.9°C medium. Increased of the 17.9°C temperature was not observed either because there is a process made possible release into the environment temperature [12].

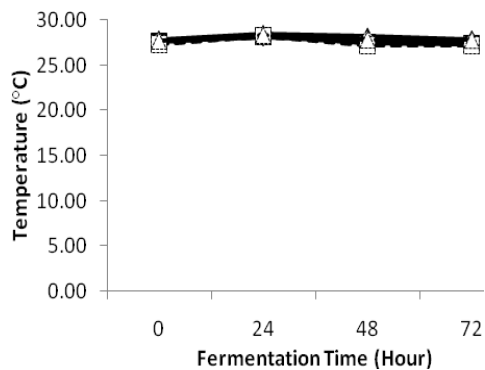


Figure 4. Effect of treatment to temperature during ethanol fermentation
GR 100 N 0.27 (◆), GR 125 N 0.33 (◇), GR 100 N 6 (■), GR 125 N 6 (□), GR 100 N 10 (▲), GR 125 N 10 (△)

In general, a decrease of the acidity (pH) in all treatments of the fermentation process, were not significant ($\alpha > 0.05$) (Fig. 5). According to Khongsay *et al.* [22], when the fermentation process using a batch system, decrease the acidity of the medium to 0.25 in the early phase of fermentation (24 hours), then a decrease in pH occurs slowly.

When the yeast to metabolize carbohydrates also produced acetic acid and formic acid, has cause decrease of the acidity of the growth medium. Decrease of the acidity is closely linked to the consumption of nitrogen and release of H^+ ions. The acid is lipo-soluble can enter the cell through the plasma membrane and intracellular acidity affect [23].

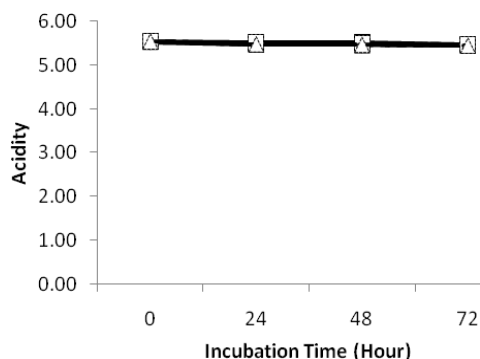


Figure 5. Effect of treatment to acidity during ethanol fermentation
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Increasing the concentration of acetic acid causes a decrease in carbohydrate consumption. It is resulting in a decrease in the rate of ethanol production [24].

There was a decrease of dissolved oxygen during the process of fermentation in all treatments (Fig. 6). Decrease of the DO was significantly ($\alpha > 0.05$) occurred in the treatment of GR 100 N 6, GR 100 and GR 125 N 10 N 10 This indicated that the concentration of total nitrogen (6 and 10 $g.l^{-1}$) caused an increase in oxygen consumption by yeast cells.

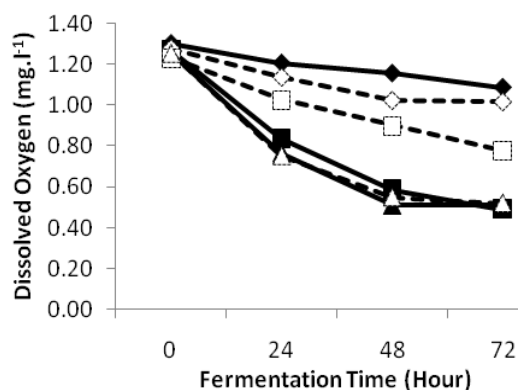


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Yeasts used oxygen in the process of cell reproduction that would correlate with the number of cells [25] and keep the cell concentration remains high [26]. The presence of oxygen will inhibit the fermentation process (Pasteur Effect) [25]. The function of oxygen is to produce ATP in glycolysis and oxidative phosphorylation. The process of oxidative phosphorylation is a process that is most prominent in the production of ATP. If there is no oxygen (anaerobic), NADH in the mitochondria cannot be re-oxidized in the citric acid cycle, resulting in the formation of ATP and nutrient solution is interrupted [21]. In addition of nitrogen, other factors that affect the process of respiration are the presence of salt. The addition of 1.0 M KCl or NaCl causes an increase in the rate of respiration and cell metabolism [27].

CONCLUSION

Highest ethanol concentration resulted GR 125 N 6 (3.68 $g.l^{-1}$) and GR 100 N 6 (3.53 $g.l^{-1}$) treatment. Low reducing sugar consumption inhibited by by-product yeast metabolism and

molasses chemical compound, lead remains high sugar concentration (> 80 g.L-1). GR 100 N 6 and GR 125 N 6 treatment have highest fermentation efficiency (69 and 57%). There was no increase in temperature and decrease in pH significantly ($\alpha > 0.05$). DO decreased significantly ($\alpha > 0.05$) at the early of fermentation and slowed until the end of fermentation. Total nitrogen 6 g.L-1 had the highest fermentation efficiency.

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The introduction explains the background of the problem, the study of literature and research purposes. Some initial introduction paragraphs explain the problem and background to these problems [1]. The next few paragraphs explain the study of literature that contains recent knowledge development which is directly related to the issues. The last paragraph of the introductory section contains a description of the purposes of the study. (Calibri 10 Justify)

MATERIAL AND METHOD (Calibri 10 Bold, Left, Capslock)

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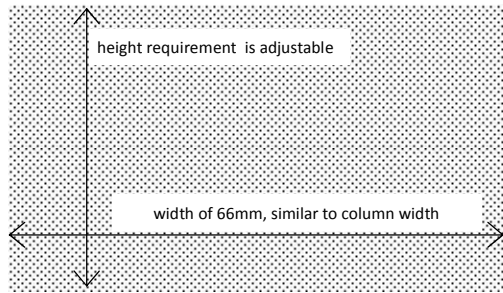


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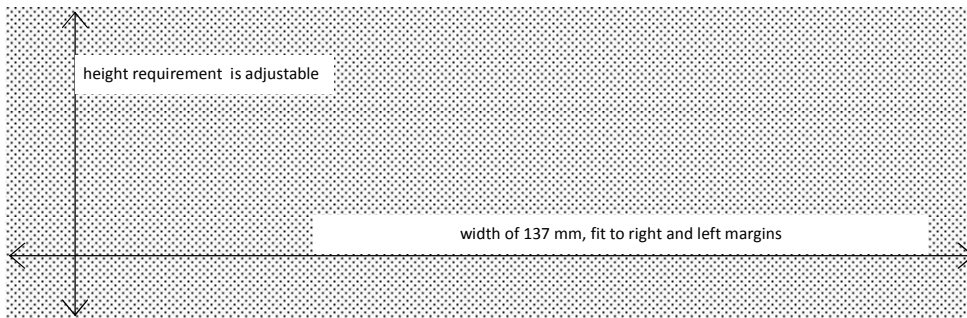


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CONCLUSION (Calibri 10 Bold, Left, Capslock)

Conclusion of the study's findings are written in brief, concise and solid, without more additional new interpretation. This section can also be written on research novelty, advantages and disadvantages of the research, as well as recommendations for future research. (Calibri 10 Justify)

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