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## ABSTRAK

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## SUMMARY

The long duration of therapy is one cause of the failure of TB treatment. Besides the side effect of the treatment such as hepatotoxicity and loss of appetite. Immunotherapy is considered as new approach for the treatment that could enhance the level of Th1 and lower the Th2.

Kefir is a fermented product of cow milk or goat, that has been considered to be able to produce therapeutic effect because it can stimulate cytokine Th1 and reduce Th2 in the allergic patient (Hong et al, 2010). In Indonesia, studies concerning the therapeutic effect of kefir is limited.

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We studied the immunomodulator aspect of kefir in TB patient AFB (+) using *ex vivo* approach. A total of 25 subject consist of 15 TB patients and 9 healthy subject were registered to involve in this study. PBMC of the subject were isolated and kefir with different concentration (1/20, 1/50, 1/100 dan 1/200) was added and the cell culture were grown for 4 days. PPD (2µg/mL) served as positive control. The production of cytokin Th1 (IFN- $\gamma$ ) dan Th2 (IL-4) was measured using Flowcytometry. It is shown that kefir with 1/20 dose could activate IFN- $\gamma$  much higher than IL-4 on the PBMC of TB patient. Furthermore the same ratio produced Th1/Th2 ratio that almost the same with the Th1/Th2 ratio of healthy subject. We conclude that suplementation with kefir with 1/20 possibly could function as immunostimulant on PMBC of TB patient.

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