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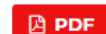
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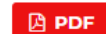
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Table shows that there is a significant relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and HV incidence, at p=0.000.

Table 32. Relationship between type of toe box of high-heeled shoes and incidence of hallux valgus

Toe box of high-heeled shoes	HV present (n/%)	HV absent (n/%)	p value
Narrow toe box	44(97.8)	1(2.2)	0,003*
Wide toe box	10(66.7)	5(33.3)	

*p<0.05 significantly different (Fisher's exact test); HV: hallux valgus

In Table 3, there is a significant relationship between the toe box of high-heeled shoes and HV incidence, at p=0.003.

Discussion

The age range of the respondents in this study was 20-40 years with mean age of 28 ± 5 years. The study of Dufour et al.⁽⁴⁾ reported that high-heeled shoes are the main type of shoes that are used daily by women aged 20–64 years and that their use increases the risk of HV by 47%. Another study conducted by Palomo-López et al.⁽⁹⁾ stated that female patients with HV were 20-65 years of age.⁽⁹⁾ The incidence of HV increases with advancing age, because of the occurrence of changes in posture, joint kinematics, and pressure on the plantar area.⁽¹⁰⁾ These changes result in disequilibrium between the intrinsic and extrinsic muscles of the feet and the involved ligamentous structures, that is

generally believed to be the etiology of HV.⁽¹¹⁾

The mean BMI of the respondents in this study was in the overweight category at 23± 1.6 kg/m². In this connection, the study of Asih et al. found that women using high-heeled shoes also had a BMI in the overweight category (45.2%).⁽¹²⁾ A study conducted in Korea stated that a high BMI was significantly associated with the occurrence of HV.⁽¹³⁾ This agrees with the study conducted by Pratiwi et al., stating that BMI is an external factor of HV occurrence, where overweight BMI may counteract the function of the arch of the foot because of increases in the pressure on the sole, thereby causing HV.⁽¹⁴⁾ Excessive BMI along with other external factors, such as the use of high heeled shoes, causes

pressure on the abductor muscles, resulting in the valgus position.⁽¹⁴⁾

The mean duration of use of high-heeled shoes in the present study was 8 hours per day. The study by Soemarko et al. stated that in 94% of cases, the most frequent use of high-heeled shoes per day was >7.5 hours.⁽²⁾ The duration of use of high-heeled shoes of > 4 hours per day is an extrinsic factor for the occurrence of HV, because it may cause micro-traumas during work, that may become a permanent injury, thereby resulting in deformity.⁽¹⁵⁾

The mean length of employment with the daily use of high-heeled shoes during work was 60 months. The study conducted by Perera stated that women with a length of employment of >4 years while using high-heeled shoes in daily life, are at 5.2 times higher risk for having HV, in comparison with women with a length of employment of <4 years, because of repeated trauma and increased pressure on the metatarsals.⁽¹⁰⁾

The results of the present study show a significant relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and HV incidence, at $p < 0.000$. Interestingly, the study by Soemarko also showed a similar relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and HV incidence. The incidence of HV increases 2.77 times in women using high-heeled shoes with narrow toe box.⁽²⁾ The study by Perera reported that the use of high-heeled shoes increases the pressure on the first metatarsal and the pressure on the frontal part of the feet and the spaces between the toes, that increases with the height of the heel, in comparison with flat-heeled shoes.⁽¹⁰⁾ The study of Menz et al. also reported similar results. In that there is a significant relationship between the use of a narrow toe box on high-heeled shoes and HV incidence, at $p = 0.003$, where respondents using high-heeled shoes with narrow toe box have a 2.7 higher probability of HV than do respondents using flat-heeled shoes.⁽⁶⁾ The use of shoes with narrow toe box causes the great toe to receive more pressure and may cause the

phalanges of the big toe or hallux to turn into hallux valgus.⁽¹⁶⁾ The results of the present study showed that the use of high-heeled shoes as the main pair of shoes that are used daily by female employees is the causative factor for HV, with an HV incidence of 90% in afore-mentioned females. In summary, there was a significant relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and HV incidence and between narrow toe box in high-heeled shoes and HV incidence. The results of the present study are expected to become a reference on the importance of preventive measures by increasing the awareness of women using high-heeled shoes to pay more attention to the health of their feet, while with appropriate treatment it is expected that the HV deformity does not increase in severity.

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Table 32. Relationship between type of toe box of high-heeled shoes and incidence of hallux valgus

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Narrow toe box	44(97.8)	1(2.2)	0,003*
Wide toe box	10(66.7)	5(33.3)	

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In Table 3, there is a significant relationship between the toe box of high-heeled shoes and HV incidence, at p=0.003.

Discussion

The age range of the respondents in this study was 20-40 years with mean age of 28 ± 5 years. The study of Dufour et al.⁽⁴⁾ reported that high-heeled shoes are the main type of shoes that are used daily by women aged 20–64 years and that their use increases the risk of HV by 47%. Another study conducted by Palomo-López et al.⁽⁹⁾ stated that female patients with HV were 20-65 years of age.⁽⁹⁾ The incidence of HV increases with advancing age, because of the occurrence of changes in posture, joint kinematics, and pressure on the plantar area.⁽¹⁰⁾ These changes result in disequilibrium between the intrinsic and extrinsic muscles of the feet and the involved ligamentous structures, that is

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Currently high-heeled shoes represent an attractive point in a women's image of sexuality. In general, female employees are required to pay attention to their appearance during work hours and one of the supporting factors of appearance are high-heeled shoes. Use of high-heeled shoes may potentially cause problems in the feet, such as hallux valgus. The aim of the present study was to determine the relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and the incidence of hallux valgus in women. This cross-sectional study involved 120 female respondents aged 20-40 years, who were divided into two groups, an intervention group consisting of 60 female employees of the Tangerang office of *Bank Tabungan Negara* (BTN) wearing high-heeled shoes and a control group of 60 female employees wearing flat-heeled shoes. High-heeled shoes were evaluated by measuring the height of the heels. Evaluation of hallux valgus was by means of the Manchester scale. Data analysis was performed by Chi-squared test and Fisher's Exact test at significance level of $p < 0.05$. The proportion of users of high-heeled shoes who had hallux valgus was 90%, while the proportion of respondents with narrow toe box (the front portion of high-heeled shoes) who had hallux valgus was 97.8%. The Chi-squared test results showed a significant relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and the occurrence of hallux valgus, at $p = 0.000$. The results of Fisher's Exact test showed a significant relationship between toe box and occurrence of hallux valgus, at $p = 0.003$. This study's conclusion is that there is a significant relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and the use of high-heeled shoes with cramped toe box in women on the one hand, and the occurrence of hallux valgus on the other hand.

Keywords: hallux valgus, female employees, high-heeled shoes, toe box.

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Introduction

Currently high-heeled shoes are a point of attraction in a woman's image of sexuality.⁽¹⁾ In general, female employees are required to pay attention to their appearance during work hours and one of the supporting factors of appearance are high-heeled shoes.⁽²⁾ In 2014 the American

Podiatric Medical Association reported that 49% of women chose to use high-heeled shoes in daily life, and that 77% experienced problems with their feet.⁽¹⁾ The use of high-heeled shoes has been shown to be related to several foot problems, one of the most frequent and significant

problems occurring being hallux valgus (HV).⁽²⁾ Hallux valgus is a chronic condition characterized by deformity of the first metatarsophalangeal joint, caused by lateral deviation of the big toe due to subluxation of the joint, thereby changing the direction of the toe away from the midline of the body.⁽³⁾ According to the study by Dufour et al.⁽⁴⁾, a history of usage of high-heeled shoes as the principal shoes that are used daily by women aged 20–64 years increases the risk of HV occurrence by 47%.⁽⁴⁾ Studies have shown that elevation of the heel when wearing high-heeled shoes increases the pressure on the anterior ends of the metatarsals and limits the movement of the first metatarsophalangeal joint. In addition, shoes with a narrow toe box may increase the pressure on the medial aspect of the foot and between the toes.⁽⁵⁾ Based on the study conducted by Soemarmo et al.⁽³⁾, the use of high-heeled shoes in sales promotion women shows a significant relationship of age, work duration, and use of high-heeled shoes with HV incidence.⁽³⁾ On the other hand, the study conducted by Menz et al.⁽⁶⁾ reported that the use of high-heeled shoes had no relationship with HV incidence.⁽⁶⁾ Based on previous studies about the relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and HV incidence, there are still problems and concerns on the relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and HV incidence in women, such that the authors were interested to study this relationship.

Methods

This study used a cross-sectional method involving 60 respondents as the study subjects and 60 respondents as controls. The study was conducted from October to December 2021 at the office of *Bank BTN* (State Savings Bank) Cikokol, Tangerang. The inclusion criteria for the study subjects were being female employees aged 20–40

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Results

Table 1. Characteristics of study respondents

Variable	High-heeled shoes (n=60) X±SD	Flat-heeled shoes (n=60) X±SD
Age (years)	28 ± 5	24 ± 5
Length of employment (months)	60 ± 40	40 ± 41
Work duration per day (hours)	8 ± 1.6	8 ± 1.5
BMI (kg/m ²)	23 ± 1.6	21 ± 2.15

X: mean, SD : standard deviation, BMI : body mass index

Table 1 shows the characteristics of the study subjects and the causative factors of HV.

Table 21. Relationship between the use of high-heeled shoes and hallux valgus

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We have already read carefully at the galley proof.

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