

Advocating for New Male Contraceptives

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Vasectomy update: World Vasectomy Day Reversible vasectomy – pros and cons Two potential male pills – a comparison





Pros

- Would be first long acting reversible contraceptive for men
- Attractive for men who are unsure about permanent contraception
- Might initially be marketed as a less invasive vasectomy

Cons

- Many years & many men required to confirm reversibility for longer durations of time
- Requires surgical skill, even if minimally invasive



Comparing Two Potential Pills for Men

Gendarussa

- Prevents fertilization
- Herbal extract
- Onset ~ 2 weeks or less
- Academic team, Indonesia
- Indonesian patent
- Promising data from human Phase 1 and 2 trials

Eppin binding drug

- Prevents sperm motility
- Small molecule
- Onset ~ one day or less
- EppinPharma.com, USA
- International patent
- Primate research in progress



Conclusions

- 1. Hooray for World Vasectomy Day!!
- 2. Five reversible vas occlusion devices under development: maybe one will make it...
- 3. Two promising short acting oral agents

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