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**ABSTRACT**

The ever-increasing prevalence of smoking among adolescents raises major concerns for public health, especially for the respiratory system. This phenomenon indicates a deficiency in health literacy among adolescents. As a solution, an effective learning strategy is needed. Learning media can be interpreted as a tool teachers use to deliver materials to students during the learning process. Comic learning media has emerged as an innovative and effective educational tool to enhance student engagement and comprehension. Therefore, this study aims to analyze the enhancement of students' health literacy by using comics to learn about the dangers of smoking in the human respiratory system. The research approach was pre-experimental with a one-group pretest-posttest design. The participants were 30 students from grade 8 who had not yet learned the dangers of smoking to the human respiratory system. The results of this research showed that the use of comics in the dangers of smoking there is a significant difference of students health literacy after using comics, with a significance value (2-tailed) of 0.000, which means that the Sig (2-tailed) value < 0.05, so the  $H_1$  hypothesis was accepted. The pre-test and post-test results were 59 and 74 respectively with N-gain results of 0.38 which were included in the medium category. It can be concluded that comics can enhance students' health literacy by teaching them the dangers of smoking in the human respiratory system. Overall, the students' shows positive impression to using comic as media in learning the dangers of smoking on human respiratory system.

*Keyword: Health literacy, Learning Media, Comic, Smoking, Respiratory System*

**MENINGKATKAN LITERASI KESEHATAN SISWA DENGAN  
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**ABSTRAK**

Prevalensi merokok yang terus meningkat di kalangan remaja menimbulkan kekhawatiran besar bagi kesehatan masyarakat, terutama untuk sistem pernapasan. Fenomena ini mengindikasikan kurangnya literasi kesehatan di kalangan remaja. Sebagai solusinya, diperlukan strategi pembelajaran yang efektif. Media pembelajaran dapat diartikan sebagai alat bantu yang digunakan untuk menyampaikan materi oleh guru kepada siswa dalam proses pembelajaran. Media pembelajaran komik telah muncul sebagai alat yang inovatif dan efektif dalam pendidikan untuk meningkatkan keterlibatan dan pemahaman siswa. Oleh karena itu, penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menganalisis peningkatan literasi kesehatan siswa dengan menggunakan komik untuk mempelajari bahaya merokok pada sistem pernapasan manusia. Metode yang digunakan adalah pra-eksperimental dengan desain pretest-posttest. Partisipan berjumlah 30 siswa dari kelas 8 SMP yang belum belajar bahaya merokok terhadap sistem pernapasan manusia. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa penggunaan komik pada materi bahaya merokok adanya perbedaan significant pada literasi kesehatan siswa setelah menggunakan komik, dengan nilai signifikansi (2-tailed) sebesar 0,000 yang berarti nilai  $Sig$  (2-tailed)  $< 0,05$ , sehingga hipotesis  $H_1$  diterima. Hasil pre-test dan post-test masing-masing 59 dan 74 dengan hasil N-gain adalah 0,38 yang termasuk dalam kategori sedang. Dapat disimpulkan bahwa komik dapat meningkatkan literasi kesehatan siswa dengan mengajarkan bahaya merokok pada sistem pernapasan manusia. Secara keseluruhan, para siswa menunjukkan kesan yang positif terhadap penggunaan komik sebagai media pembelajaran dalam mempelajari bahaya merokok pada sistem pernapasan manusia.

*Kata Kunci:* Literasi kesehatan, Media Pembelajaran, Komik, Merokok, Sistem Pernapasan

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