BIRTH CONTROL PILL

YAŻ and YASMİN: 13,000+ injury lawsuits filed, DrugNews, March 2014 “More than 13,000 patients have filed a Yáz lawsuit so far for injuries based on the failure of Bayer to warn of the risks. … [The women] suffered blood clot-related injuries such as DVT, pulmonary embolism, or stroke. …”

“The Institute for Safe Medicine Practices reported in May 2012 that Yáz and Yasmin ranked second highest in 2011 for the number of complications reported to the FDA. So far, the agency has received over 10,600 adverse reports related to Yáz or Yasmin just for DVT or pulmonary embolism.”

“Beyaz blood clots: Imagine having a stroke at 20 years old,” Lawyers and Settlements, November 2013 Beyaz is an oral contraceptive that uses the drug drospirenone. According to the Orlando Sentinel, “several large studies, including research funded by the FDA itself, concluded that the risk for Beyaz blood clots and deep vein thrombosis from similar contraceptives containing drospirenone was 1.5 times higher than that of older, more traditional birth control pills.”

French study: 2,529 blood clots and 20 deaths per year attributed to contraceptive pill use, LifeSiteNews, March 2013 “French National Agency for the Safety of Drugs and Health Products (ANSM) found that, between 2000 and 2011, contraceptive pills were linked to an average of 2,529 annual cases of venous thromboembolism (blood clots). The health watchdog also found that the newer generation pills caused more than twice as many deaths as the earlier pills.”

“The pill can kill: AIIMS study,” The Times of India, January 2014 Doctors in India say their study showed the risk of breast cancer was found to be 9.5 times higher in women who reported long-term use of oral contraceptives.

The World Health Organization lists the pill (estrogen-progestogen oral contraceptives) as a Group 1 cancer-causing agent.

“Hidden stroke risk factors for women,” American Heart Association/American Stroke Association, October 2012 “Women who take even a low-estrogen birth control pill may be twice as likely to have a stroke than those who don’t and the risk may increase if other risk factors are present.” Excerpted from “What Women Need to Know about the Hidden Risk Factors for Stroke,” Stroke Connection Magazine, November/December 2004, (Science update, October 2012).
"[T]he side effects of birth control pills have killed 11 women and caused more than 350 serious health problems over the past five years, a government-related survey showed."¹⁹... The Japan Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology (JSOG) has issued an urgent online warning (in Japanese) to women who are taking the pill.” Asia & Japan Watch, December 2013.

**NUVA-RING**

"Nuva-Ring users beware: Vaginal contraceptives and blood clots," Decoded Science, December 2013 A Danish study published in June 2012 that examined more than 1.6 million women over several years found that, on average, women using a vaginal ring had an estimated 6.5 times increased risk of venous thromboembolism, or a traveling blood clot in a vein, compared to women of the same age who did not use the hormonal contraceptive."¹²

**MIRENA IUD**

"Mirena IUD perforation lawsuits,” The Legal Examiner, December 2013

“Product liability lawsuits over Mirena IUD uterus perforation injuries continue to climb in state and federal court. There are more than 600 Mirena IUD lawsuits filed nationwide. The women allege that they suffered debilitating injuries when their Mirena IUD birth control perforated the uterus, causing internal injuries, and requiring surgical removal of the Mirena implant.”¹³

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