Sayana® Press: Pilot introduction and evaluation

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Product information and evidence



What is Uniject[™]?



Single dose
Prefilled and sterile
Non-reusable

Used with:

- Hepatitis B vaccine
- Oxytocin
- Tetanus toxoid
- Cyclofem

In these countries:

- Bolivia
- Brazil
- China
- Egypt
- Guatemala
- India
- Indonesia
- Vietnam



DMPA IM 150

What is Sayana Press? How is it different from DMPA IM?

Current standard



DMPA IM 150



- 150 mg DMPA.
- Delivered every 3 months.
- Glass vial with syringe.
- Intramuscular injection.
- 1" needle.
- Site: deep muscle tissue.
- 99% contraceptive efficacy.
- Depo-Provera® brand:
 Pfizer, Inc.
- Generic equivalents made by various manufacturers.

Sayana Press





- 104 mg DMPA.
- Delivered every 3 months.
- Prefilled in Uniject.
- Subcutaneous injection.
- 3/8" needle.
- Site: subcutaneous fat.
- Equivalent contraceptive efficacy, safety, and side effects.
- Pfizer product: Patent until 2020.

Sayana Press

What are Sayana Press' potential benefits?

Features

Single, exact dose, all-in-one presentation

Subcutaneous injection

Reduced weight and volume

Non-reusable

Benefits

Simplified injection procedures

Simpler, shorter training

Eliminates mismatch of syringe/vial supplies

Easier to transport and store, less waste to dispose

Improved injection safety

Value

Increased
acceptability and use
by lower-level
health care workers

Longer-term:
Uniquely suited to
home and
self-injection*

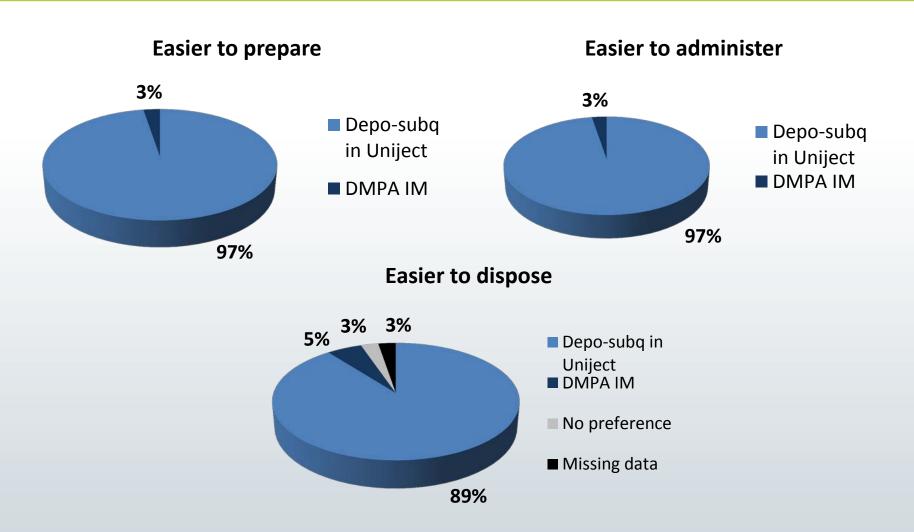


Who might benefit from Sayana Press?





Comparison between Depo-subQ in Uniject and DMPA IM – Uganda (n = 38)





Client acceptability of Depo-subQ in Uniject

If given the choice, would select Uniject at next family planning appointment (versus DMPA IM, no preference, don't know)	Uganda (n = 120) n (%) 95% CI**	Senegal (n = 242) n (%) 95% CI**
Post-injection	100 (83%) 76%, 91%	170 (70%) 64%, 77%
3-month follow-up*	85 (85%) 76%, 94%	110 (77%) 67%, 87%

^{**}Adjusted for clustering of clients within providers

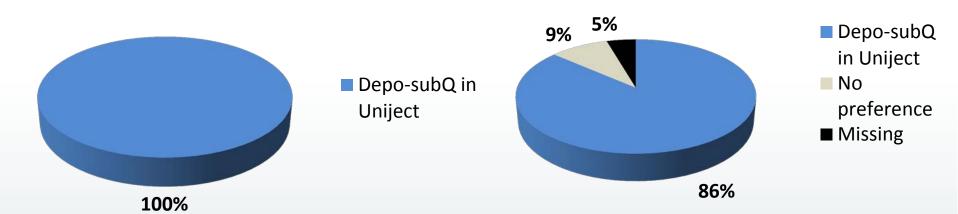


^{*}Data collection still on-going; preliminary result only includes 83% of expected data from Uganda and 59% expected data from Senegal

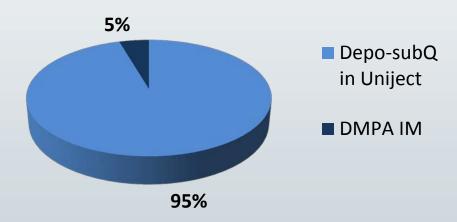
Comparison between Depo-subQ in Uniject and DMPA IM – Senegal (n = 22)

Easier to prepare

Easier to administer



Easier to dispose





What is the price of Sayana Press?

- Currently Sayana Press is more costly than DMPA IM.
- Future price is unknown.
 - New products are normally more costly than existing products.
 - Cost and price are influenced by demand and production volumes.
 - At current volumes, the price of Sayana Press is likely to be close to double the price for Depo Provera (\$0.78 to \$0.99 per unit).
 - Donors and partners are strategizing to support possible longerterm, affordable pricing for Sayana Press.



Overview of pilot introduction initiative



Pilot introduction of Sayana Press

Goals

- Support achievement of FP2020 goals by increasing injectable contraceptive use.
- Develop an evidence and experience base to inform global and country-level decisions concerning whether and how to include Sayana Press as a contraceptive option.

Objectives

- Deliver up to 12 million units of Sayana Press in four to six countries in Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia, 2013–2016.
- Expand access to injectables for new users, improve continuation, and reduce delivery costs.
- Evaluate the value proposition of Sayana Press: Inform decision-making about whether to include Sayana Press in family planning programs in the future.



Pilot introduction of Sayana Press

Product registration process

- Sayana Press is approved by stringent regulatory authorities in Europe.
- The drug in Sayana Press is approved by European regulatory authorities and by the US Food and Drug Administration (USFDA).
- The product will be registered in country before pilot introduction begins.
- Pfizer is responsible for preparing and submitting country registration dossiers.



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Pilot introduction—country implementation



Introduction principles

- Country ownership and collaboration with donors and implementing partners.
- Include Sayana Press in regular family planning distribution and delivery systems.
- Involve MOH personnel—trainers, supervision systems, community health workers and other providers.
- Begin forward planning for possible future procurement.



Country contributions

Distribution and logistics systems

Sayana Press Providers in regular delivery channels

MOH trainers and supervision systems

Other support building on existing systems



Photo: David Jacobs



Service delivery channels

Public sector

- Includes community-based distributors and community health workers.
- Shifting tasks to less specialized cadres.



NGO outreach

- Includes community-based programs.
- Extending number of outreach points.

Private sector networks

 Providing services through social marketing in places where people normally shop pharmacies, drug shops, and commercial outlets.



Future decision-making about Sayana Press

Countries





Considerations

- Meeting women's reproductive intentions.
- Demand for family planning.
- Country goals.
- Costs and benefits.



Evaluation framework



Evaluation framework

- The pilot introduction of Sayana Press evaluation component expects to assess the product's ability to:
 - Generate new users.
 - Improve contraceptive continuation.
 - Reduce service delivery costs.
 - Information from the evaluation will be made available to donors and partners to inform decisions about use of Sayana Press.
 - Evaluation Technical Advisory Group (E-TAG) will oversee evaluation design, implementation, and data review.



Challenges

- Price
- Registration time lines
- Complexity: multiple funding flows through multiple channels

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Opportunities

- Lots of interest at global and country level
- Strong country partnerships
- Evidence for decision making
- Possibility of expanding provider base
- Possibility of self administration



Thank You

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