

## Bölüm 3

# MENSTRÜEL SİKLUS FİZYOLOJİSİ

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## GİRİŞ

Puberteden başlayıp menopoz kadar her ay düzenli olarak devam eden menstrüel siklus parakrin ve otokrin faktörler ile hormonlar tarafından sıkı bir şekilde kontrol edilmektedir. Hipotalamus, hipofiz, overler ve uterus arasındaki bu sıkı etkileşim neticesinde binlerce primordial folikül içinden tek bir olgun oosit gelişip ovule olmakta ve buna endometriumdaki siklik değişiklikler eşlik etmektedir. Menstrüel siklus kabaca foliküler faz, ovulasyon ve luteal fazdan oluşmaktadır. Bu bölümde menstrüel siklustaki dinamik değişiklikler overler ve endometrium için ayrı ayrı değerlendirilecektir.

## HİPOTALAMO - HİPOFİZER AKS

Hipotalamus, üçüncü ventrikülün altında, optik kiazmanın ve hipofiz bezinin üzerinde yerleşmiştir. Hipotalamus üst kortikal merkezden gelen uyarıların, periferik endokrin organlarından gelen hormonal geri bildirimlerin ve çevresel faktörlerin etkisiyle endokrin sistemin kordinasyonunu sağlayan temel merkezdir. Hipotalamusun ön hipofizle direkt nöronal bağlantısı yoktur fakat hipotalamusta bulunan nöronların bir bölümü median eminenste sonlanır. Median eminens superior hipofiz arterlerinden oluşan kapiller damar ağının tarafından beslenir. Bu kapiller damar ağının hipofiz sapı etrafındaki portal damarlara açılır ve bu damarlar da ön hipofizin etrafında yoğun bir kılcal damar ağının oluşturur. Median eminense sonlanan hipotalamik nöronlardan salgılanan hormonlar bu özel portal kan akımı sayesinde periferik kana karışmadan önce yüksek konsantrasyonda hipofizdeki hedef hücrelerine ulaşır. Hipotalamustan pulsatif olarak salgılanan hormonların etkisini göstermesinde bu özel portal kan akımının önemi büyktür. Ön

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polimorfonükleer lökositler ve monositler sızmaya başlar. Endometrial bezler ve stromal doku açığa çıkan prostaglandinler, sitokinler ve lizozomal enzimlerin etkisi ile yıkılmaya başlar.

**Anahtar Kelimeler:** menstrüel siklus, ovulasyon.

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