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#### Abstract

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**Conclusions**: The anticoagulants used in this study were Fondaparinux 1x2,5 mg sc (45%), Enoxaparin 2x60 mg sc (37,5%), and Warfarin 1x 2-4 mg po (17,5%). Side effects of the anticoagulants were absent, but drug interactions with aspirin, clopidogrel, and allopurinol will increase the risk of bleeding.

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#### Introduction

Coronary artery disease (CAD) is an abnormality of coronary arteries which are narrowed or obstructed. It causes an imbalance between blood supply and oxygen which can cause myocardial ischemia. Coronary artery disease is classified into acute coronary syndrome (ACS) and chronic stable angina pectoris (Dobesh, 2019). Blockages in blood vessels can cause various diseases based on the location of the blockages (Tubaro, 2018).

Acute coronary syndrome, which usually consists of myocardial infarction (MI) and unstable angina (UA), is the form of coronary artery disease (CAD) causing the majority of deaths. The ACS occurs due to the rupture or erosion of atherosclerotic plaque in the coronary arteries with the continuing activation and aggregation of extrinsic blood clots (Dipiro, 2019).

The prevalence of deaths caused by cardiovascular disease according to the data of the World Health Organization (WHO) in 2017 were at 31% or 17.9 million deaths worldwide. Coronary artery disease has caused 42.3% deaths (7.4 million) with a prevalence of 1.5% in Indonesia according to the 2018 Basic Health Research. According to the latest WHO data in 2018, deaths due to coronary heart disease in Indonesia reached 318,820 or 18.73% of the total deaths. The death rate based on age was 181.43 per 100,000 population.

The use of anticoagulants can reduce the occurrence of myocardial ischemia, but anticoagulants can also cause bleeding in CAD patients, thus required to be monitored (Anderson, 2013). Bleeding can increase the risk of death. An anticoagulant therapy should be done to minimize the risk of bleeding (Trailokya, 2015). Several types of anticoagulants used include LMWH (Low Molecular Weight Heparin), UFH (Unfractionated Heparin), Vitamin K Antagonists, Direct Thrombin Inhibitor, and Factor Xa Inhibitor (Harter, 2015). There are many pharmacological advantages of LMWH, such as reduced monitoring, ease of use, and a lower risk of thrombocytopenia (Puymirat et al., 2013).

The use of anticoagulants in patients with coronary artery disease must be monitored and evaluated since it may result in the risk of bleeding. Problems related to anticoagulant drugs occur due to the selection of anticoagulant types, their side effects, their dosage, the possibility of occurrence of interactions between anticoagulants and other drugs. This study was expected to identify the pattern of anticoagulant drug use in patients with CAD at Bhayangkara Hospital Surabaya to improve pharmaceutical services.

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#### Materials and methods

This study was an observational study and collected data retrospectively from 1<sup>st</sup> January-31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 at Bhayangkara Hospital Surabaya. Inclusion criteria of the data included all medical records of patients with or without complications and comorbid diseases treated with a diagnosis of coronary artery disease and anticoagulant therapy at the Inpatient Cardiac Installation of Bhayangkara Hospital Surabaya. Data analysis was carried out descriptively. The data analyzed involved patient profile (name, age, weight, and height), patient history, patient treatments such as anticoagulant therapy and other drugs (dose, duration of use, route, and time of administration), diagnosis, clinical data, and laboratory data. The minimum number of data was 35 based on Lemeshow formula.

#### Results

There were 40 medical records found in this study. Table 1 showed 80% of the patients were male, and most patients with CAD were 60-69 years old (42.5%).

Profile	Total (%)
Gender:	
Men	32 (80%)
Women	8 (20%)
Age:	
40 – 49 years old	1 (2,5%)
50 – 59 years old	16 (40%)
50 – 69 years old	17 (42,5%)
70 – 79 years old	5 (12,5%)
≥ 80 years old	1 (2,5%)

Table 2. Lenght of Stay (LOS) CAD Patients

LOS (days)	Total Patients	Percentage (%)
2	1	2,5
3	10	25
4	21	52,5
5	7	17,5
6	1	2,5

Table 2 explains most of the patients with CAD were treated for 4 days (52.5%). From the CAD classification, most patients were diagnosed with STEMI (37.5%) as shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1. Distribution of CAD Patients by Diagnosis



Figure 2. Distribution of Comorbidity by Diagnosis

The highest prevalence of comorbid disease that the patients had was Diabetes Mellitus (37.5%) as described in Figure 2. Table 3 shows various kinds of anticoagulants found included Fondaparinux, Enoxaparin, and Warfarin. Table 4 shows the potential drug interactions due to polypharmacy the patients experienced during treatment.

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Drug Classification	Type of Medicine	Dosage	Route	Total
Anticoagulant	Warfarin	1x2-4mg	ро	7
	Enoxaparin	2x60mg	sc	15
	Fondaparinux	1x2,5mg	sc	18

#### Discussion

Table 1 illustrates 32 (80%) patients were male, while 8 (20%) were female patients. Men have a greater risk of developing CAD than women (American Heart Association, 2015). The morbidity of men with CAD is greater than in women because there is a combination of women's hormones estrogen and progesterone as the secondary prevention of CAD.

The susceptibility of CAD increases by age, especially in the patients aged over 45 years old, while the incidence of CAD is very rare in patients under 40 years old. As a person grows older, changes in the physiology of the heart and blood vessels will occur despite the absence of disease. The myocardium of the aging heart sometimes rests imperfectly between heartbeats, and thus the heart's pumping chamber will be stiffer and work less efficiently (American Heart Association, 2015).

All patients with CAD examined in this present study received inpatient care in <7 days (Table 2). A total of 21 patients (52.5%) were treated for 4 days. One study in 119,398 patients shows patients with CAD received a mean length of stay for 5.5 days with a median of 4 days. The length of care for CAD patients may depend on heart care procedures. The shorter period of treatment indicates good treatment procedures (Tickoo, 2016).

#### **CAD Classification Based on Diagnosis**

Coronary artery disease is categorized into NSTEMI, STEMI, unstable angina, and stable angina pectoris. Acute myocardial infarction is classified into STEMI and NSTEMI. Figure 1 shows15 patients were diagnosed with STEMI, 12 patients with NSTEMI, 11 patients with unstable angina, and 2 patients with acute myocardial infarction.

Based on the diagnosis of the patients with CAD, the patients experienced several comorbid diseases which the highest prevalence was Diabetes Mellitus (Figure 2) with a total of 15 patients (37.5%). A study has shown that Diabetes Mellitus was a risk factor worsening the condition of patients with CAD. This comorbid disease occurs due to the interaction of metabolic changes in the pre-diabetic level, such as the presence of atherogenic dyslipidemia, the endothelial function that was no longer functioning properly, increased free fatty acids, subclinical inflammation, changes in the adipokine layers and the thrombosis and fibrinolysis systems (Al-Nozha, 2016).

#### Therapy in Patients with CAD

Given the types of anticoagulants in Table 3, 7 patients (17.5%) used warfarin, 18 patients (45%) were given fondaparinux, and 15 patients (37.5%) used enoxaparin. Fondaparinux is a drug that catalyzes the inhibition of Xa factor resulted from antithrombin by not increasing the inhibition of thrombin (Bruins, 2018). Enoxaparin is an anticoagulant in the LMWH (Low Molecular Weight Heparin) group, and it has a mechanism of action similar to heparin, which affects the activity of antithrombin (AT III). What distinguishes heparin from enoxaparin is more specific degradation of Xa factor that enoxaparin inhibits, while heparin tends to focus on the inhibition of thrombin by antithrombin. A 2.5 mg of fondaparinux can be given to all patients once a day. The dose of fondaparinux therapy is given once a day, the half-life of fondaparinux is 15-17 hours by the subcutaneous route (Zehnder, 2012).

 This study showed the patients received fondaparinux within 2-3 days, enoxaparin within 2-5 days, and warfarin in 2-3 days. Types of anticoagulants such as warfarin require monitoring using laboratory INR data; whereas, the use of fondaparinux and enoxaparin anticoagulants can use a PTT. This study discovers that the patients with complications caused by other diseases such as AF (atrial fibrillation) and heart failure were given more warfarin as an effective anticoagulant to prevent ischemic stroke according to PERKI (The Indonesian Heart Association). During the atrial fibrillation, there are blood stasis, atrial hypercontractility, remodeling of the atrial structures, and platelet activation and the coagulation cascade. These conditions will increase the risk of thrombus formation and the occurrence of ischemic stroke. The use of fondaparinux anticoagulant is more common for several reasons. First, anticoagulant administration for this type is recommended for all patients receiving an antiplatelet therapy (PERKI 2015), which does not violate religious rules and drug prices. The use of enoxaparin in patients who had undergone PCI therapy was more effective than fondaparinux as thrombus could be formed more easily as the result of fondaparinux use. However, the risk of bleeding for using enoxaparin is greater than fondaparinux (Zhao, 2016).

#### Drug-Related Problems (DRPs)

Potential drug interactions in this study, especially anticoagulants, were of great importance. Anticoagulants resulted in bleeding side effects that often occur. Interactions with other drugs can increase the occurrence of bleeding. This study points out potential anticoagulant drugs could interact with other drugs, such as aspirin, clopidogrel, and allopurinol.

#### Conclusions

The anticoagulants used in this study were Fondaparinux 1x2,5 mg sc (45%), Enoxaparin 2x60 mg sc (37,5%), and Warfarin 1x 2-4 mg po (17,5%). There were no adverse effects found from using of Fondaparinux, Enoxaparin, and Warfarin in this study, but potential drug interactions with aspirin, clopidogrel, and allopurinol will increase the risk of bleeding.

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CAD classification, most patients were diagnosed with STEMI (37.5%) as shown in Figure 1.



#### Figure 1. Distribution of CAD Patients by Diagnosis

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Figure 2. Distribution of Comorbidity by Diagnosis

The highest prevalence of comorbid disease that the patients had was Diabetes Mellitus (37.5%) as described in Figure 2. Table 3 shows various kinds of anticoagulants found included fondaparinux, enoxaparin, and warfarin. Table 4 shows the potential drug interactions due to polypharmacy the patients experienced during treatment.

Table 3. Use of Anticoagulant Therapy

Drug Classification	Type of Medicine	Dosage	Route	Total
Anticoagulant	Warfarin	1x2-4mg	ро	7
	Enoxaparin	2x60mg	SC	15
	Fondaparinux	1x2,5mg	SC	18

<b>Table 4.</b> Following interactions (ii – 40)						
Drug Interactions	Mechanisms and Effects of Drug Interactions	Total	Troubleshooting			
Fondaparinux + Aspirin and NSAIDs	In general, fondaparinux as an anticoagulant can cause bleeding because of its mechanism of action. The use of antiplatelet and NSAIDs can also increase the incidence of bleeding $\rightarrow$ combined use with fondaparinux can increase the risk of bleeding and the severity of bleeding.	16 (40%)	More close monitoring is warranted when using fondaparinux with antiplatelet or NSAIDs. The time of drug administration can be spaced.			
Enoxaparin + Clopidogrel	Clopidogrel inhibits platelet aggregation thereby prolonging bleeding time $\rightarrow$ increases the risk of bleeding when used concurrently.	8 (20%)	The administration of drugs has the potential for bleeding, so it can be overcome by administering different times for the two drugs.			
Warfarin + Allupurinol	Allopurinol can increase the half-life and work of the anticoagulant $\rightarrow$ the longer the half-life can increase the duration of warfarin action so that possible side effects of warfarin.	2 (5%)	Concomitant use of allopurinol with the anticoagulant warfarin can reduce the side effects of warfarin.			
Warfarin + Aspirin + Clopidogrel	Aspirin and clopidogrel are antiplatelet agents that work to inhibit platelet aggregation $\rightarrow$ the use of aspirin and clopidogrel in combination with warfarin can increase the risk of bleeding	6 (15%)	The use of anticoagulants can be given an interval of administration so that they are not simultaneously used.			

#### Tabel 4. Potential Drug Interactions (n = 40

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Potential drug interactions in this study, especially anticoagulants, are of great importance. Anticoagulants have bleeding side effects that most often occur with use, so interactions with other drugs that can increase the occurrence of bleeding can occur. Potential anticoagulant drug interactions in this study with other drugs, namely aspirin, clopidogrel, and allopurinol. Fondaparinux and aspirin can interact with the effect of increasing the incidence of bleeding. Table 5 shows the use of other therapies in patients with CAD.

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	Aspirin	100 mg	ро	34	(85%)	
Antiplatelet	Klopidogrel	75 mg	ро	34	(85%)	
-	Ticagrelor	90 mg	ро	3	(7,5%)	
β-Blocker	Bisoprolol	1,25-5 mg	ро	24	(60%)	
ACE Inhibiton	Lisinopril	5-10 mg	ро	9	(22,5%)	
ACE Inhibitor	Ramipril	2,5-5 mg	ро	7	(17,5%)	
A	Atorvastatin	▲ 20-40 mg	ро	39	(97,5%)	
Antidystipid	Fenofibrate	300 mg	ро	1	(2,5%)	
ARB	Candesartan	8-16 mg	ро	2	(5%)	
Dimetia	Furosemide	40 mg	po, iv	6	(15%)	
Diuretic	Spironolakton	25-50 mg	ро	7	(17,5%)	
Sedative	Alprazolam	0,5-1 mg	ро	19	(47,5%)	
	Allupurinol	100-300 mg	ро	11	(27,5%)	
Other Drug	Digoxin	0,25mg	ро	5	(12,5%)	
	Glimepiride	2-4 mg	ро	4	(10%)	
	Metformin	500 mg	ро	2	(5%)	
	Lantus	4-20 IU	sc	5	(12,5%)	
	Apidra	3x4-12 IU	sc	4	(10%)	

**Table 5.** Use of Other Therapies in Patients with CAD (n = 40)

# DISCUSSIONS

Table 1 illustrates 32 (80%) patients were male, while 8 (20%) were female patients. Men have a greater risk of developing CAD than women (American Heart Association, 2015). The morbidity of men with CAD is greater than in women because there is a combination of women's hormones estrogen and progesterone as the secondary prevention of CAD.

The susceptibility of CAD increases by age, especially in the patients aged over 45 years old, while the incidence of CAD is very rare in patients under 40 years old. As a person grows older, changes in the physiology of the heart and blood vessels will occur despite the absence of disease.

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The myocardium of the aging heart sometimes rests imperfectly between heartbeats, and thus the heart's pumping chamber will be stiffer and work less efficiently (American Heart Association, 2015).

All patients with CAD examined in this present study received inpatient care in <7 days (Table 2). A total of 21 patients (52.5%) were treated for 4 days. One study in 119,398 patients shows patients with CAD received a mean length of stay for 5.5 days with a median of 4 days. The length of care for CAD patients may depend on heart care procedures. The shorter period of treatment indicates good treatment procedures (Tickoo, 2016).

#### CAD Classification Based on Diagnosis

Coronary artery disease is categorized into NSTEMI, STEMI, unstable angina, and stable angina pectoris. Acute myocardial infarction is classified into STEMI and NSTEMI. Figure 1 shows15 patients were diagnosed with STEMI, 12 patients with NSTEMI, 11 patients with unstable angina, and 2 patients with acute myocardial infarction.

Based on the diagnosis of the patients with CAD, the patients experienced several comorbid diseases which the highest prevalence was Diabetes Mellitus (Figure 2) with a total of 15 patients (37.5%). A study has shown that Diabetes Mellitus was a risk factor worsening the condition of patients with CAD. This comorbid disease occurs due to the interaction of metabolic changes in the pre-diabetic level, such as the presence of atherogenic dyslipidemia, the endothelial function that was no longer functioning properly, increased free fatty acids, subclinical inflammation, changes in the adipokine layers and the thrombosis and fibrinolysis systems (Al-Nozha, 2016).

#### Therapy in Patients with CAD

Given the types of anticoagulants in Table 3, 7 patients (17.5%) used warfarin, 18 patients (45%) were given fondaparinux, and 15 patients (37.5%) used enoxaparin. Fondaparinux is a drug that catalyzes the inhibition of Xa factor resulted from antithrombin by not increasing the inhibition of thrombin (Bruins, 2018). Enoxaparin is an anticoagulant in the LMWH (Low Molecular Weight Heparin) group, and it has a mechanism of action similar to heparin, which affects the activity of antithrombin (AT III). What distinguishes heparin from enoxaparin is more specific degradation of Xa factor that enoxaparin inhibits, while heparin tends to focus on the inhibition of thrombin by

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antithrombin. A 2.5 mg of fondaparinux can be given to all patients once a day. The dose of fondaparinux therapy is given once a day, the half-life of fondaparinux is 15-17 hours by the subcutaneous route (Zehnder, 2012).

This study showed the patients received fondaparinux within 2-3 days, enoxaparin within 2-5 days, and warfarin in 2-3 days. Types of anticoagulants such as warfarin require monitoring using laboratory INR data; whereas, the use of fondaparinux and enoxaparin anticoagulants can use a PTT. This study discovers that the patients with complications caused by other diseases such as AF (atrial fibrillation) and heart failure were given more warfarin as an effective anticoagulant to prevent ischemic stroke according to PERKI (The Indonesian Heart Association, 2015). During the atrial fibrillation, there are blood stasis, atrial hypercontractility, remodeling of the atrial structures, and platelet activation and the coagulation cascade. These conditions will increase the risk of thrombus formation and the occurrence of ischemic stroke. The use of fondaparinux anticoagulant is more common for several reasons. First, anticoagulant administration for this type is recommended for all patients receiving an antiplatelet therapy (PERKI 2015), which does not violate religious rules and drug prices. The use of enoxaparin in patients who had undergone PCI therapy was more effective than fondaparinux as thrombus could be formed more easily as the result of fondaparinux use. However, the risk of bleeding for using enoxaparin is greater than fondaparinux (Zhao, 2016).

#### **Drug-Related Problems (DRPs)**

Potential drug interactions in this study, especially anticoagulants, were of great importance. Anticoagulants resulted in bleeding side effects that often occur. Interactions with other drugs can increase the occurrence of bleeding. This study points out potential anticoagulant drugs could interact with other drugs, such as aspirin, clopidogrel, and allopurinol. From this research, pharmacist can improve pharmaceutical services by monitoring and evaluating the effects that can be caused by potential drug interactions.

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# A STUDY OF ANTICOAGULANT THERAPY IN PATIENTS WITH CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

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#### Abstract

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Table 2 shows that explains most of the patients with CAD were treated for 4 days (52.5%).



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diagnosed with <u>ST-elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI)</u> (37.5%) as shown <u>underin</u> the CAD classification in Figure 1.

Figure 1. Distribution of CAD Patients by Diagnosis



Figure 2. Distribution of Comorbidity by Diagnosis

The highest prevalence of comorbid disease that the patients had was <u>d</u>Diabetes <u>m</u>Mellitus (37.5%) as <u>showndescribed</u> in Figure 2. Table 3 shows <u>that the</u> various kinds of anticoagulants found included fondaparinux, enoxaparin, and warfarin. Table 4 shows the potential drug interactions due to <u>the</u> polypharmacy <u>the</u> patients experienced during treatment.

Table 3. Use of Anticoagulant Therapy

Drug Classification	Type of Medicine	Dosage	Route	Total
Anticoagulant	Warfarin	1x2-4mg	ро	7
-	Enoxaparin	2x60mg	SC	15
	Fondaparinux	1x2,5mg	SC	18

Tabel 4. Potential Drug Interactions (n = 40)								
Drug Interactions	Mechanisms and Effects of Drug Interactions	Total	Troubleshooting					

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Fondaparinux + Aspirin and NSAIDs	In general, fondaparinux as an anticoagulant can cause bleeding because of its mechanism of action. The use of antiplatelet and NSAIDs can also increase the incidence of bleeding →combined use with fondaparinux can increase the risk of bleeding and the severity of bleeding.	16 (40%)	More close monitoring is warranted when using fondaparinux with antiplatelet or NSAIDs. The time of drug administration can be spaced.
Enoxaparin + Clopidogrel	Clopidogrel inhibits platelet aggregation thereby prolonging bleeding time $\rightarrow$ increases the risk of bleeding when used concurrently.	8 (20%)	The administration of drugs has the potential for bleeding, so it can be overcome by administering different times for the two drugs.
Warfarin + Allupurinol	Allopurinol can increase the half-life and work of the anticoagulant $\rightarrow$ the longer the half-life can increase the duration of warfarin action so that possible side effects of warfarin.	2 (5%)	Concomitant use of allopurinol with the anticoagulant warfarin can reduce the side effects of warfarin.
Warfarin + Aspirin + Clopidogrel	Warfarin + Aspirin + ClopidogrelAspirin and clopidogrel are antiplatelet agents that work to inhibit platelet aggregation $\rightarrow$ the use of aspirin and clopidogrel in combination with warfarin can increase the risk of bleeding		The use of anticoagulants can be given an interval of administration so that they are not simultaneously used.
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Potential drug interactions in this study, especially <u>involving</u> anticoagulants, are of great importance. Anticoagulants <u>may cause bleeding as a side effecthave bleeding side effects that most</u> often occur with use, <u>andso</u> interactions with other drugs <u>maythat can</u> increase the occurrence of bleeding-can occur. Potential anticoagulant drug interactions in this study with other drugs, namely aspirin, clopidogrel, and allopurinol. <u>Interaction between Ff</u>ondaparinux and aspirin can <u>result</u> <u>ininteract</u> with the effect of increasing the incidence of bleeding. Table 5 shows the use of other therapies in patients with CAD.

Drug Classification	Type of Medicine	Dosage	Route	Total	
Vasodilator Nitrat	ISDN	2,5-5 mg	ро	26	(65%)
Eibrinalitia	Streptokinase	1,5jt/IU	iv	4	(10%)
FIDIMONUC	Alteplase	15 mg	iv	2	(5%)
	Aspirin	100 mg	po	34	(85%)
Antiplatelet	Klopidogrel	75 mg	ро	34	(85%)
	Ticagrelor	90 mg	ро	3	(7,5%)
β-Blocker	Bisoprolol	1,25-5 mg	ро	24	(60%)
ACE Inhibiton	Lisinopril	5-10 mg	ро	9	(22,5%)
ACE Inhibitor	Ramipril	2,5-5 mg	ро	7	(17,5%)
۸	Atorvastatin	20-40 mg	ро	39	(97,5%)
Antidystipid	Fenofibrate	300 mg	ро	1	(2,5%)
ARB	Candesartan	8-16 mg	ро	2	(5%)
Divertia	Furosemide	40 mg	po, iv	6	(15%)
Diuletic	Spironolakton	25-50 mg	ро	7	(17,5%)
Sedative	Alprazolam	0,5-1 mg	ро	19	(47,5%)
	Allupurinol	100-300 mg	ро	11	(27,5%)
	Digoxin	0,25mg	ро	5	(12,5%)
Other Drug	Glimepiride	2-4 mg	ро	4	(10%)
_	Metformin	500 mg	po	2	(5%)
	Lantus	4-20 IU	sc	5	(12,5%)

#### **Table 5.** Use of Other Therapies in Patients with CAD (n = 40)

Apidra 3x4-12 IU sc 4 (10%)

## DISCUSSIONS

Table 1 illustrates 32 (80%) patients were male, while 8 (20%) were female patients. Men hadve a greater risk of developing CAD than women (American Heart Association, 2015). The morbidity of men with CAD is greater than in women <u>due to the because there is a</u> combination of women's hormones estrogen and progesterone present in women that may act as the secondary prevention of CAD.

<u>SThe susceptibility towardsof</u> CAD increases <u>withby</u> age, especially in the patients aged over 45 years old, while the incidence of CAD is very rare in patients under 40 years old. As a person grows older, changes in the physiology of the heart and blood vessels will occur despite the absence of disease. The myocardium of the aging heart sometimes rests imperfectly between heartbeats, and thus the heart's pumping chamber will be<u>come</u> stiffer and work less efficiently (American Heart Association, 2015).

All patients with CAD examined in this present study received inpatient care for less than in <7 days (Table 2). A total of 21 patients (52.5%) were treated for 4 days. One study within 119,398 samplespatients showeds patients with CAD received a mean length of stay offer 5.5 days, with a median of 4 days. The length of care for CAD patients may depend on heart care procedures. The shorter period of treatment indicates good treatment procedures (Tickoo, 2016).

#### **CAD Classification Based on Diagnosis**

CADoronary artery disease is categorized into non-ST-elevation myocardial infarction (NSTEMI)NSTEMI, STEMI, unstable angina, and stable angina pectoris. Acute myocardial infarction is classified into STEMI and NSTEMI. Figure 1 shows\_15 patients were diagnosed with STEMI, 12 patients with NSTEMI, 11 patients with unstable angina, and 2 patients with acute myocardial infarction.

<u>PBased on the diagnosis of the patients with CAD, the patients experienced several comorbid</u> diseases, with the most prevalent being which the highest prevalence was Ddiabetes mMellitus

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(Figure 2) with a total of 15 patients (37.5%). A study has shown that <u>d</u>Diabetes <u>m</u>Mellitus was a risk factor <u>that could worsen</u>worsening the condition of patients with CAD. This comorbid disease occurs due to the interaction of metabolic changes in the pre-diabetic level, such as the presence of atherogenic dyslipidemia, the endothelial function <u>that was</u> no longer functioning properly, increased free fatty acids, subclinical inflammation, changes in the adipokine layers and the thrombosis and fibrinolysis systems (-Al-Nozha, 2016).

#### Therapy in Patients with CAD

<u>Table 3 shows thatGiven the types of anticoagulants in Table 3</u>, 7 patients (17.5%) used warfarin, 18 patients (45%) were given fondaparinux, and 15 patients (37.5%) used enoxaparin. Fondaparinux is a drug that catalyzes the inhibition of Xa factor <u>Xa byresulted from</u> antithrombin, <u>and</u> <u>doesby</u> not increaseing the inhibition of thrombin (Bruins, 2018). Enoxaparin is an anticoagulant in the LMWH (Low Molecular Weight Heparin) group, and it has a mechanism of action similar to heparin, which affects the activity of antithrombin (AT III). What distinguishes heparin from enoxaparin is <u>the</u> more specific degradation of Xa factor <u>Xa</u> that enoxaparin inhibits, while heparin tends to focus on the inhibition of thrombin by antithrombin. A 2.5 mg of fondaparinux can be given to all patients once a day. The dose of <u>fF</u> ondaparinux is 15-17 hours by the subcutaneous route (Zehnder, 2012).

This <u>present\_study</u> show<u>s</u>ed the patients received fondaparinux within 2-3 days, enoxaparin within 2-5 days, and warfarin in 2-3 days. <u>Several t</u>Types of anticoagulants, such as warfarin, require monitoring using laboratory <u>international normalized ratio (INR)</u> data,; whereas, the use of fondaparinux and enoxaparin anticoagulants can use <u>partial thromboplastin timea (PTT)</u>. This study <u>founddiscovereds</u> that the patients with complications caused by other diseases, such as AF (atrial fibrillation) (AF) and heart failure, were given more warfarin as an effective anticoagulant to prevent ischemic stroke according to <u>the Indonesian Heart Association</u> PERKI (The Indonesian Heart Association, 2015). During the atrial fibrillation, there <u>isare</u> blood stasis, atrial hypercontractility, <u>and</u> remodeling of the atrial structures, <u>and</u>-platelet activation, and the coagulation cascade. These conditions will increase the risk of thrombus formation and the occurrence of ischemic stroke. The

use of fondaparinux anticoagulants is more common for several reasons. First, anticoagulant administration offer this type is recommended for all patients receiving an antiplatelet therapy (Indonesian Heart Association, PERKI 2015), which does not violate religious rules and drug prices. The use of enoxaparin in patients who had undergone percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) therapy was more effective than fondaparinux, as thrombus could be formed more easily whenas athe result of fondaparinux was used. However, the risk of bleeding whenfor using enoxaparin wais greater than when using fondaparinux (Zhao, 2016).

#### Drug-related problems (DRPs)

Potential drug interactions in this study, especially <u>involving</u> anticoagulants, were of great importance. <u>The administration of a</u>Anticoagulants <u>often</u> resulted in bleeding <u>as a side effect-side</u> effects that often occur. Interactions with other drugs <u>can</u> increased the occurrence of bleeding. This study points out potential anticoagulant drugs could interact with other drugs, such as aspirin, clopidogrel, and allopurinol. <u>TFrom</u> this research <u>can allow</u>, pharmacists <u>tocan</u> improve pharmaceutical services by monitoring and evaluating the effects that can be caused by potential drug interactions.

# Conclusions

The anticoagulants used in this study were fondaparinux  $1x2_{17}5$  mg SCse (45%), enoxaparin 2x60 mg SCse (37\_75%), and warfarin 1x-2-4 mg POpe (17\_75%). There were no adverse effects found from using of fondaparinux, enoxaparin, and wWarfarin in this study, however, but potential drug interactions with aspirin, clopidogrel, and allopurinol were found to will increase the risk of bleeding.

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