Overview of the efficiency of using the triage Emergency Severity Index (ESI) in emergency installations: A systematic review

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ABSTRACT

Introduction The Emergency Room (IGD) is unique in operation compared to units or installations from all parts of the hospital, because the Emergency Room operates around the clock with the presence of patients in an emergency and unscheduled state as well as a high flow of patients in and out. The patient is in a critical condition requiring immediate life-saving intervention until the patient is in a relatively stable condition. The Emergency Severity Index (ESI) is a triage system that categorizes 5 levels of severity, levels 1-2 require immediate treatment while levels 3-5 determine how many resources the patient needs. Inclusion of resource requirements in determining triage levels is a unique feature of the ESI triage system. Method The author uses the method used to conduct a systematic review is to search through the internet. Literature search used PubMed, google scholar, and Science Direct with keywords in English: Emergency Severity Index (ESI), Emergency Department. Inclusion criteria in this study were articles discussing the Efficiency of Using the Emergency Severity index, articles in English and Indonesian, limitations of articles published in the last 5 years (2018-2023) discussing the efficiency of using ESI, and full text articles. Exclusion criteria and criteria abstract only exclusions, articles with the type of review . The results of the literature search results obtained as many as 16 journal articles that are relevant to the research objectives. Conclusion Emergency severity index (ESI) can be applied in emergency departments with a high level of sensitivity, specificity, accuracy and triage decisions. ESI can be modified with other methods and works well. ESI can also be used in vulnerable groups such as the elderly, children - post partum children and mothers. Suggestion Emergency severity index can be a reference to be applied in emergency departments in Indonesia because it has high efficiency.

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INTRODUCTION

The Emergency Room (IGD) is unique in operation compared to units or installations from all parts of the hospital, because the IGD operates around the clock with the presence of patients in an emergency and unscheduled state as well as a high patient flow in and out. Patients in critical condition requiring immediate life-saving intervention until the patient is in a relatively stable condition (Alserkal et al., 2020). There are several reasons why someone is escorted or comes to the ER. Apart from being caused by illness, a person can be brought or come to the emergency room because they have experienced trauma or violence. More than 5 million people in the world die every year due to trauma caused by traffic accidents, violence by themselves or others, fires, drowning, falls, poisoning and so on (Ardiyani et al., 2021). Triage has a very important role in the emergency service unit, especially when many patients arrive at the same time (Tri fianingsih et al., 2022). Effective triage is needed when the need for medical action exceeds capacity, this factor becomes a major threat to patient safety and quality health services worldwide (Hinson et al., 2018). Triage requires based on previous experience with patients who have experienced similar injuries or complaints. Resource requirements are defined as the number of resources that are expected to be used by the patient sequentially for the decision level to be reached. Once oriented to the algorithm, the triage nurse will be able to triage patients quickly and accurately into one of the five defined levels (Emergency Nurse Association, 2020).

The triage system main goal is to quickly identify patients in an emergency and time-sensitive condition and prioritize what medical action should be done. Effective triage is needed when the need for medical action exceeds capacity, this factor becomes a major threat to patient safety and quality health services worldwide (Hinson et al., 2018).

METHOD

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**Prisma Flow chart diagram**

1. **Identification**
   - Search results through databases: ScienceDirect (n=580), Google Scholar (n=17400), PubMed (n=131)
   - Included For Selection (n=18,111)
   - Articles excluded (n=18,057) with the reason: Title does not match the inclusion criteria

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   - Selected Articles (n=54)
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<td>The application of i-TRIAGE to patients who come to the emergency room with indications of heart disease and neurogenic disease has a 94% success rate for triage decisions. i-TRIAGE may in the future become a useful tool for all nurses in the emergency department to assist with triage decisions.</td>
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documentation and 50 samples of the Canada Triage Acuity Scale documentation.
difference in the effectiveness of writing triage documentation on the Emergency Severity Index and the Canada Triage Acuity Scale on the accuracy of patient triage priorities with a p value of 0.030. The number of triage priority accuracy in writing the Emergency Severity Index triage documentation was more, namely 46 (92%), while the number of triage priority accuracy in writing the Canada Triage Acuity Scale documentation was 38 (76%).

5 Effect of Emergency Severity Index Implementation on the Waiting Time for Patients to Receive Health Services in the Emergency Department

Sarvari et al., Iran 2020

This quasi-experimental study There were a total of 736 patients, from where 368 patients were considered as preintervention group and 368 patients were considered as the post-intervention group.
The results of this study indicate that there is an implementation of ESI triage decrease in all specified time intervals, and in general reducing the patient’s length of stay in the emergency department since the patient’s arrival to patient transfer from 157.02 minutes to 86.96 minutes.

6 The Emergency Severity Index (ESI) Usage: Triage Accuracy and Causes of Mistriage

Sari & Fajarini, Indonesia 2022

Descriptive research with this retrospective approach performed on the ESI triage documentation in a hospital in Jakarta, Indonesia. The inclusion criterion was ESI triage form filled out after triage by the ER nurse who has Basic Trauma and Cardiac Life Support (BTCLS) certificate, ESI triage form for patients over 18 years of age, ESI in the form of triage of patients treated in the emergency room, either outpatient, inpatient, or patient who died in the ED. That Exclusion criteria were the form of ESI triage of patients who canceled treatment before triage, and incomplete documentation of the ESI triage form.

Accuracy data based on the density of patients in the emergency room found that it was overcrowded (45.2%) while not overcrowded (34%), mistriage data on overcrowded (23.6%) and not overcrowded (14%) this shows that the accuracy of ESI triage quite high in crowded conditions in the emergency room.

7 Comparison of Four-Level Modification Triage with Five Level Emergency Severity Index (ESI) Triage Based on Level of Accuracy and Time Triage

Minggawati et al., Indonesia 2020

This research design is quantitative research with a quasi-experimental approach. Implemented in two groups, viz the control group were patients with assessment using four modified ATS triage levels while the intervention group used five-level ESI triage method.
The average ESI triage takes 2 minutes 27 seconds while the triage of the four levels of ATS modification takes 3 minutes 3 seconds. The fastest time required for ESI is in 72 seconds and the longest takes 4 minutes 20 seconds. At the triage level of the four ATS modifications, the fastest time used is 75 seconds and a maximum of 4 minutes and 50 seconds. The fastest time difference is only 3 seconds and the longest difference is 30 seconds. From the minimum and maximum times in both triage there is a considerable distance. This is due to the variety of patient cases with different levels of severity.

8 Comparison between Emergency Severity Index plus Capnometer and Emergency Severity Index in the

Talebpour et al., Iran 2021

This quasi-experimental (random assignment) study was conducted on the basis of a 6-hour follow-up obtaining short-term results in April 2019-February 2020. Effects of ESI with and without Capnometer

The results showed that the ESI was added to the capnometer examination that had a level of sensitivity, specificity, and accuracy for recognizing high-risk heart failure patients, namely
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<td>This research is a retrospective observational cohort study of adults who presented to the Finnish emergency department between 1 February 2018 and 28 February 2018. All data collected from electronic health records. The aim of this study was to compare the accuracy of the Emergency Severity Index (ESI) triage system among emergency department patients aged 18-64 and greater or equal to 65 years.</td>
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<td>Al Hasni &amp; Oman AL-Rawafjah, 2019</td>
<td>This study used a quasi-experimental pretest / posttest design used. The sample consisted of 187 patients before Emergency Implementation of Severity Index and 102 patients after implementation. Waiting time, length of stay, patient satisfaction, and classification accuracy compared in 2 groups.</td>
<td>On analysis, the results show a substantial reduction in ESI waiting times. In ESI level 3, the result have shown that the waiting time from triage to see physicians significantly decreased at 12 minutes (40% reduction) and 4 minutes (26% reduction) for ESI level 4 in the post-ESI group compared to the pre-ESI group. This suggests that patients with ESI levels 3 and 4 see doctor in a shorter time compared to the informal triage system. The results of the current study indicate that LOS decreased by 15 minutes (18% reduction) after implementation of the ESI compared to the informal triage system.</td>
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<td>Results Of the 439 women, the distribution of ESI was 0.2% ESI 1, 23.7% ESI 2, 56.0% ESI 3, 19.4% ESI 4, and 0.7% ESI 5. Readiness rates by ESI level are 100% ESI 1, 47% ESI 2, 18% ESI 3, 2.2% ESI 4 and 0 ESI 5 (p &lt;0.001). Of the 246 women who were given ESI 3, a total 25 had severe range BP and was transferred to a modified ESI from 2. Of these 25 women, 14 were readmitted. AUC of statistically modified ESI higher than standard ESI (AUC: 0.77 and 95% confidence interval: 0.72–0.82 vs. AUC: 0.73 and 95% confidence intervals: 0.68–0.78; p&lt;0.01). The ESI is a useful tool for identifying women in need postpartum readmission. Incorporation of severe range blood pressure as a parameter of acuity improve the predictability of readmission.</td>
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<td>Methods: This study was conducted in the HUSM ER for two study periods. In the first three months, 300 patients were prioritized under a three-level triage system, and, in three months later, 280 patients were prioritized under ESI. The patients are prioritized by junior paramedics and triage records are kept and then re-prioritized by senior paramedics. Interrater reliability was evaluated using Kappa Cohen statistics. Sharpness rating of junior paramedics were compared with a panel of experts to determine sensitivity and the specificity of each acuity level for ESI and the three-level triage system. Excessive triage rate, under-triage rate, amount of resources used, entry rate and discharge rate as well determined.</td>
<td>The results obtained The agreement between assessors for the three-level triage system was 0.81 while for ESI is 0.75. ESI had a higher average sensitivity of 74.3% and a transient specificity of 94.4%. The mean sensitivity of the three-level system was 68.5% and the specificity was 87.0%. The mean under-triage and over-triage rates for ESI were 10.7% and 6.2%, respectively, which were lower than the average under-triage level of the three-level system is 13.1% and the over-triage rate is 17.1%. Urgency ESI level and three-level systems are associated with increased acceptance rates and resources used in the ER. The inter-rater reliability of ESI is comparable to that of three-level triage system and it showed better validity than the existing three-level system.</td>
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<td>This study using a prospective observational study was conducted at Hayatabad Medical Complex, Peshawar, from October 2020 to assigned COPD patients with dyspnea to the ESI + PEF or ESI group. Triage level, disposition level, count resources used, and time to first physician contact compared to patients admitted to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU), Pulmonary Care Unit (PU), or discharge from the ER. The reliability of the ESI was evaluated using interobserver agreement (Kappa). Rates under triage were 11.42% and 0%, the over-triage rate was 31.42% and 2.85% respectively in the ESI and ESI + PEF groups. Triage rate of patients admitted to ICU (2 vs. 3), PU (2 vs. 4), or discharged from The ED (3 vs. 2) differed significantly between the ESI + PEF and ESI groups. The addition of PEF to the ESI provides a more accurate method for triaging COPD patients compared with ESI alone. We recommend the use of PEF for triage of COPD patients in the ED.</td>
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**Comparison of the ESI triage system and other triage systems**

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| 16 Patient disposition using the Emergency Severity Index: a retrospective observational study at an interdisciplinary emergency department |
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| Völk et al., Germany 2022 |

This study used a retrospective single center study. Data of all patients who come to interdisciplinary ED of a tertiary care hospital in Munich, Germany, this study measures ESI scores, medical specialties according to chief complaint, method of arrival, admission rates and evaluates the purpose of transferring patients from the ED.

Data obtained in the critical patient group, 30% of patients with neurological or medical symptoms required immediate intensive care, whereas only 17% of patients with surgical problems were admitted to the ICU. A large number of patients (especially with neurological or medical problems) required hospital (and in some cases even ICU or IMC) admission despite high ESI scores. Overall, the ESI appears to be a useful tool for anticipating the need for specialized resources in the arrivals hospital. Patients with symptoms suggestive of a neurological or medical problem require special attention because the ESI may fail to adequately predict the level of care facilities for this group of patients.
the number of triage priority accuracy in writing the Canada Triage Acuity Scale documentation is 38 (76%) (Wibowo, 2020), while in triage decisions compared The ESI and JTAS (Japan Triage and Acuity Scale) obtained in the ESI group obtained k = 0.82 (Very Good) while in the JTAS group k = 0.74 (Substantial) for that the triage decision in the ESI group was higher than the JTAS group. Based on the results obtained on the comparison of ATS and ESI, it was found that the time needed for ESI in intervention triage decisions required less duration than ATS triage, as well as on the accuracy of priorities in writing documentation between ESI and CTAS and JTAS, it was found that ESI was more efficient than CTAS triage documentation. Based on the literature obtained, the researcher assumed that the time of triage intervention and the accuracy of documentation compared to other triage systems, ESI was superior, while the comparison between ESI and JTAS found that triage decisions were better, of stay of patients in the ED.

Use of ESI in patients with certain diseases

Based on research conducted (Siddiqui & Ali, 2020) it was found that the Emergency Severity Index (ESI) has sensitivity and specifications in diagnosing sepsis and septic shock, data showing ESI Level 1 with a sensitivity value for diagnosing sepsis shock (88.5%) and a value specifications for the diagnosis of sepsis shock (100%) and research conducted (Talebpour et al., 2021) that the results found that ESI was added to a capnometer examination that had a level of sensitivity, specificity, and accuracy for recognizing high risk heart failure patients was 100%, 60 %, and 90% for the ESI+Capno group and 62.5%, 42.86%, and 48.36% for the ESI group, as well as the study conducted (Hamechizfahm et al., 2019) Data obtained in seventy COPD patients were equally assigned to the ESI + PEF and ESI groups. Under triage rates were 11.42% and 0% ESI + PEF and ESI groups. Triage rates of patients admitted to ICU (2 vs. 3), PU (2 vs. 4), or discharge from the ED (3 vs. 2) differed significantly between the ESI + PEF and ESI groups. The addition of PEF to the ESI provides a more accurate method for triaging COPD patients than ESI alone. Based on the literature, researchers assume that ESI has high sensitivity, specificity and accuracy in certain diseases.

ESI modification with other methods

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ESI in vulnerable groups

Use of ESI in vulnerable groups

Researchers assume that the emergency severity index (ESI) can be applied in emergency departments with a high level of sensitivity, specificity, accuracy and triage decisions. ESI can be modified with other methods and can work well, ESI can also be used in vulnerable groups such as the elderly, children and post partum mothers.

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

The emergency severity index (ESI) can be applied in emergency departments with a high level of sensitivity, specificity, accuracy and triage decisions. ESI can be modified by other methods and works well, ESI can also be used for vulnerable groups such as the elderly, children, and post partum mothers. Suggestion Emergency severity index can be one of the references to be applied in emergency departments in Indonesia because it has high efficiency.

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