

## Screening of selected Indonesian plants for antiplatelet activity

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**Abstract.** Fakhrudin N, Mufinnah FF, Husni MF, Wardana AE, Wulandari EI, Putra AR, Santoso D, Nurrichmad A, Wahyunono S. 2021. Screening of selected Indonesian plants for antiplatelet activity. *Biodiversitas* 22: 5268-5273. Cardiovascular diseases remain the leading cause of death worldwide. Platelet aggregation plays a crucial role in the development of cardiovascular diseases. Thus, the discovery of bioactive compounds targeting platelet aggregation is a promising approach for combating cardiovascular diseases. Indonesia has plants diversity with the potential to be developed as antiplatelet agents. Thus, this study was aimed to identify the antiplatelet potential of selected Indonesian plant extracts. The plant extracts (100 µg mL<sup>-1</sup>) were evaluated for their antiplatelet activity in CaCl<sub>2</sub>-induced platelet aggregation in 96-well plates. In an aggregometer, the active extracts were further evaluated in adenosine diphosphate (ADP)-induced platelet aggregation. The antiplatelet agents, aspirin, and ticagrelor were used as reference drugs in the respective screening assays. Of the 139 tested extracts, ten demonstrated antiplatelet activity in CaCl<sub>2</sub>-induced platelet aggregation. The evaluation of the ten active extracts in ADP-induced platelet aggregation revealed four active extracts. The most active extract was the methanol extract of *Cinnamomum sintoc* bark, followed by the methanol extract of *Leea aequata* leaf, and the dichloromethane and methanol extracts of *Physalis angulata* petal with moderate activities. This study provides essential scientific evidence for the development of antiplatelet agents from plant origins.

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### INTRODUCTION

Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death worldwide. In 2019, approximately 17.9 million people died from this disease, and the number of suffered patients rises annually (Virani et al. 2021; WHO 2021). The main feature of cardiovascular disease is atherothrombosis, in which platelet aggregation plays a crucial role. Therefore, inhibition of platelet aggregation is the main target in cardiovascular disease pharmacotherapy (Yeung et al. 2018; Nording et al. 2020). Rested platelets with a biconvex discoid shape change into a fully spread star-like form that tends to aggregate due to an increase in intracellular calcium level. Further, the platelets immediately aggregate in response to the binding of fibrinogen with glycoprotein IIb/IIIa receptors (Ghoshal and Bhattacharyya 2014; Chu et al. 2021). The aggregated platelets release platelet activators, such as thromboxane A<sub>2</sub>, adenosine diphosphate (ADP), and serotonin, which intensify platelet aggregation, leading to clot formation, thrombus, and vascular blockage (Yun et al. 2016; Rubenstein and Yin 2018). Therefore, inhibition of platelet aggregation serves as a promising therapeutic target in treating cardiovascular diseases (Pimentel et al. 2003; Toyoda et al. 2018).

Currently, the most favorable drug inhibitors of platelet aggregation (antiplatelet) are aspirin and thienopyridines

(prasugrel, clopidogrel, and ticlopidine). However, the long-term use of those drugs is limited by the risk of bleeding, drug resistance, and response variability (Di Minno et al. 2011; Ray 2014; Hidayati et al. 2017). Therefore, the search for new antiplatelet agents is a promising approach for combating cardiovascular diseases (Nording et al. 2020; Thomas and Nicolson 2021). For decades, plants have inspired the development of many drugs benefiting human health (Atanasov et al. 2021; Yumni et al. 2021). Indonesia has a vast plant diversity, providing abundant natural compounds that can be explored as antiplatelet agents. This study was aimed to test the antiplatelet activity of 139 selected Indonesian plant extracts. The active extracts can be further developed as antiplatelet agents for the treatment of cardiovascular diseases.

### MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### Procedures

##### Plant extracts

The extracts evaluated in this study were obtained from the Department of Pharmaceutical Biology, Faculty of Pharmacy, Universitas Gadjah Mada (UGM), Yogyakarta, Indonesia. The origin plant materials of the extracts were

authenticated by a botanist (Dr. Djoko Santosa), and the certificate of authentication was documented in the library of the Faculty of Pharmacy, UGM. All extracts were produced by maceration of the plant materials using ethanol, methanol, dichloromethane, chloroform, water, and ethyl acetate, and the extracts were preserved in the deposit fridge (-20°C) in the Research Laboratory of the Department of Pharmaceutical Biology, Faculty of Pharmacy, UGM.

#### Chemicals

Sodium citrate, aspirin, ticagrelor, bovine serum albumin, Hepes, Tyrode's buffer, Giemsa dye, and adenosine diphosphate were purchased from Sigma–Aldrich (USA). DMSO, dichloromethane, chloroform, and calcium chloride were obtained from Merck (Germany). Methanol, ethanol, and aquadest were procured from Brataco (Indonesia).

#### Human participants and platelet source

Human platelet-rich plasma (PRP) and platelet-poor plasma (PPP) were obtained from healthy donors who met the inclusion and exclusion criteria (Cattaneo et al. 2013) as follows: men/women aged 18–40 years having a platelet number of  $(15\text{--}40) \times 10^4 \mu\text{L}^{-1}$ , not pregnant, no caffeine consumption, and smoking at least 120 and 30 min before blood withdrawal, respectively, no consumption of drugs affecting hemostasis (e.g., NSAIDs, anticoagulant, or antiplatelet agents) at least 7 days before blood withdrawal, and no hemophilia or bleeding disorders. In addition, all participants received informed consent, and the institutional ethics committee approved the method of the Faculty of Medicine, Public Health, and Nursing, UGM, Yogyakarta (number KE/FK/622/EC/2015).

#### Platelet preparation

Human platelets from healthy individuals were prepared as previously described (Fakhrudin et al. 2019; Hastuti et al. 2021). Blood from the donors was added with sodium citrate solution (10%) and centrifuged (1000 rpm, 15 min). The upper phase supernatant (PRP) was separated, and the lower phase was further centrifuged (3500 rpm, 15 min). Next, the upper supernatant (PPP) was separated. The number of platelets in the PRP was counted, and only the platelet number of  $(15\text{--}40) \times 10^4 \mu\text{L}^{-1}$  was used for the experiment.

#### CaCl<sub>2</sub>-induced platelet aggregation assay

The antiplatelet screening assay was performed as previously described (Pimentel et al. 2003) in a 96-well plate. The extracts were tested at 0.5 and 2 mg mL<sup>-1</sup>. PRP was resuspended (1:5 v/v) in a Hepes–Tyrode buffer containing 1% bovine serum albumin and then incubated at 37°C for 5 min. The extracts (2.5  $\mu\text{L}$  in DMSO) were added to the platelet suspension (192  $\mu\text{L}$ ) and incubated for 30 min. Aspirin and DMSO were used as positive and negative controls, respectively. Platelet aggregation was induced by adding 250 mM CaCl<sub>2</sub> (4  $\mu\text{L}$ ) followed by 30 min incubation. Each well was added with Giemsa stain (4  $\mu\text{L}$ ) and incubated for 5 min. The solution was gently

discarded, and platelet aggregation was characterized by the formation of violet gel in the well. The extract that was able to inhibit violet gel formation was considered active. This experiment was performed in a triplicate.

#### ADP-induced platelet aggregation assay

The second bioassay for confirming the antiplatelet activity of the extracts was conducted using ADP-induced platelet aggregation in an aggregometer instrument (Chrono-Log 490 2D; USA) (Fakhrudin et al. 2020). The extracts were tested at a concentration of 100  $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ . DMSO was used as a solvent vehicle or negative control, whereas ticagrelor (10  $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ ) was used as a reference drug or positive control. PRP (495  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added with the extracts (100  $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$  in DMSO) and then incubated (37°C for 3 min) with constant stirring (1200 rpm). In brief, 2.5  $\mu\text{L}$  of 10  $\mu\text{M}$  ADP was added to induce platelet aggregation, and the aggregation was recorded for 6 min. The degree of platelet aggregation was normalized to the PPP and calculated based on the amplitude of the curve generated in the aggregometer (Wiyono et al. 2018).

#### Data analysis

The data obtained from the ADP-induced platelet aggregation assay were analyzed in GraphPad Prism 8 software, and the statistical analysis was conducted using ANOVA followed by Dunnet post-hoc test.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This explorative study aimed to find antiplatelet agents from plant origins. Platelet aggregation has a complex pathway with many proteins involved. Thus, two bioassays were employed to screen active plant extracts. The CaCl<sub>2</sub>-induced platelet aggregation, recommended by Pimentel et al. (2003) is a fast and general method to evaluate antiplatelet activity. The active extracts obtained from the first method were evaluated in the second method utilizing ADP-induced platelet aggregation (Fakhrudin et al. 2020). ADP induces platelet aggregation by binding to P2Y<sub>12</sub> receptor. Using these two bioassays, two pathways of platelet aggregation were targeted.

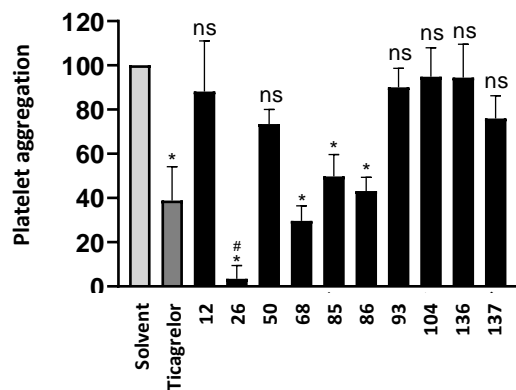
Results from the first antiplatelet screening assay showed that 10 out of the 139 plant extracts were active by inhibiting the platelet aggregation at 2 and 10 mg mL<sup>-1</sup>. The ethanol extract of *Averrhoa bilimbi* leaf (12), methanol extract of *Cinnamomum sintoc* bark (26), ethanol extract of *Garcinia mangostana* rind (50), methanol extract of *Leea aequata* leaf (68), ethanol and dichloromethane extracts of *Physalis angulata* petal (85 and 86), ethanol extract of *Piper cubeba* fruit (93), methanol extract of *Rubus chrysophyllus* leaf and stem (104), and methanol and dichloromethane extracts of *Tetracera maingayi* leaf and stem (136 and 137) inhibited platelet aggregation in CaCl<sub>2</sub>-induced platelet aggregation. As expected, aspirin, a clinically used antiplatelet drug, showed potent activity. This result suggested that the method is suitable for the detection of antiplatelet agents.

**Table 1.** The results of antiplatelet screening of the plant extracts in CaCl<sub>2</sub>-induced platelet aggregation assay

Local name	Plant species	Family	Part of plant	Solvent	Platelet aggregation	
					10 mg mL <sup>-1</sup>	2 mg mL <sup>-1</sup>
Bawang putih	<i>Allium sativum</i> L.	Amaryllidaceae	t	DCM	+	+
Bawang putih	<i>Allium sativum</i> L.	Amaryllidaceae	t	Aq	+	+
Bawang putih	<i>Allium sativum</i> L.	Amaryllidaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Bawang putih	<i>Allium sativum</i> L.	Amaryllidaceae	l	DCM	+	+
Sambiloto	<i>Andrographis paniculata</i> (Burm.f.) Nees	Acanthaceae	l, s	EtOH	+	+
Seledri	<i>Apium graveolens</i> L.	Apiaceae	l	EtOH	-	+
Akar kuning	<i>Arcangelisia flava</i> (L.) Merr.	Menispermaceae	s	MeOH	-	+
Sukun	<i>Artocarpus altilis</i> (Parkinson ex F.A. Zorn) Fosberg	Moraceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Sukun	<i>Artocarpus altilis</i> (Parkinson ex F.A. Zorn) Fosberg	Moraceae	l	Aq	+	+
Sukun	<i>Artocarpus altilis</i> (Parkinson ex F.A. Zorn) Fosberg	Moraceae	l	EtOAc	+	+
Belimbing wuluh	<i>Averrhoa bilimbi</i> L.	Oxalidaceae	l	DCM	+	+
<b>Belimbing wuluh</b>	<b><i>Averrhoa bilimbi</i> L.</b>	<b>Oxalidaceae</b>	<b>l</b>	<b>EtOH</b>	-	-
Belimbing wuluh	<i>Averrhoa bilimbi</i> L.	Oxalidaceae	f	EtOH	-	+
Belimbing wuluh	<i>Averrhoa bilimbi</i> L.	Oxalidaceae	f	DCM	+	+
Belimbing manis	<i>Averrhoa carambola</i> L.	Oxalidaceae	l	DCM	+	+
Belimbing manis	<i>Averrhoa carambola</i> L.	Oxalidaceae	l	EtOH	-	+
Belimbing manis	<i>Averrhoa carambola</i> L.	Oxalidaceae	f	DCM	+	+
Belimbing manis	<i>Averrhoa carambola</i> L.	Oxalidaceae	f	EtOH	+	+
Asam riang	<i>Begonia coriacea</i> Hassk.	Begoniaceae	s, l, fl	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	-	+
Asam riang	<i>Begonia coriacea</i> Hassk.	Begoniaceae	s, l, fl	MeOH	+	+
Rotan sega	<i>Calamus caesius</i> Bl.	Arecaceae	h	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Rotan sega	<i>Calamus caesius</i> Bl.	Arecaceae	h	MeOH	-	+
Daun teh	<i>Camellia sinensis</i> (L.) O.K.	Theaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Tali putri	<i>Cassytha filiformis</i> L.	Lauraceae	l, s	MeOH	+	+
Tali putri	<i>Cassytha filiformis</i> L.	Lauraceae	l, s	DCM	+	+
<b>Sintok</b>	<b><i>Cinnamomum sintoc</i> Bl.</b>	<b>Lauraceae</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>MeOH</b>	-	-
Sintok	<i>Cinnamomum sintoc</i> Bl.	Lauraceae	c	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	-	+
Kayu manis Sri Lanka	<i>Cinnamomum zeylanicum</i> Bl.	Lauraceae	c	EtOH	+	+
Galing kerbau	<i>Cissus adnata</i> Roxb.	Vitaceae	l, s, f, fl	MeOH	+	+
Galing kerbau	<i>Cissus adnata</i> Roxb.	Vitaceae	l, s, f, fl	DCM	+	+
Galing kerbau	<i>Cissus adnata</i> Roxb.	Vitaceae	l, s, f	MeOH	+	+
Irah-irah	<i>Cissus javana</i> DC.	Vitaceae	l, s	MeOH	-	+
Senggugu	<i>Clerodendron serratum</i> (L.) Moon	Lamiaceae	r	EtOH	+	+
Kunyit	<i>Curcuma longa</i> L.	Zingiberaceae	rh	EtOH	+	+
Kunyit	<i>Curcuma longa</i> L.	Zingiberaceae	rh	Aq	-	+
Temu putih	<i>Curcuma zedoaria</i> Roxb.	Zingiberaceae	t	EtOH	+	+
Temu putih	<i>Curcuma zedoaria</i> Roxb.	Zingiberaceae	rh	EtOH	+	+
Wortel	<i>Daucus carota</i> L.	Apiaceae	t	EtOH	+	+
Rigu ripung	<i>Erechtites minima</i> (Poir.) DC.	Compositae	l, s	MeOH	-	+
Rigu ripung	<i>Erechtites minima</i> (Poir.) DC.	Compositae	l, s	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Daun dadap serep	<i>Erythrina subumbrans</i> (Hassk.) Merr.	Leguminosae	r, s, l	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Daun dadap serep	<i>Erythrina subumbrans</i> (Hassk.) Merr.	Leguminosae	r, s, l	MeOH	-	+
Teklan	<i>Eupatorium riparium</i> Reg.	Compositae	l, s	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Teklan	<i>Eupatorium riparium</i> Reg.	Compositae	l, s	MeOH	-	+
Jirak	<i>Eurya nitida</i> Korth.	Pentaphylacaceae	l, s	MeOH	-	+
Pasak bumi	<i>Eurycoma longifolia</i> Jack.	Simaroubaceae	r	MeOH	+	+
Awar-awar	<i>Ficus septica</i> Burm.f.	Moraceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Akar karamaha	<i>Ficus sagittata</i> Vahl.	Moraceae	l, s	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Akar karamaha	<i>Ficus sagittata</i> Vahl.	Moraceae	l, s	MeOH	+	-
<b>Manggis</b>	<b><i>Garcinia mangostana</i> L.</b>	<b>Clusiaceae</b>	<b>ri</b>	<b>EtOH</b>	-	-
Kapulaga ambon	<i>Globba marantina</i> L.	Zingiberaceae	h	MeOH	+	+
Kapulaga ambon	<i>Globba marantina</i> L.	Zingiberaceae	h	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Daun dewa	<i>Gynura procumbens</i> (Lour.) Merr.	Compositae	l	EtOH	+	+
Daun dewa	<i>Gynura procumbens</i> (Lour.) Merr.	Compositae	l	DCM	-	+
Sirihan	<i>Heckeria peltata</i> (L.) Kunth.	Piperaceae	l, s	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Sirihan	<i>Heckeria peltata</i> (L.) Kunth.	Piperaceae	l, s	MeOH	+	+
Tumpak babi	<i>Hornstedtia mollis</i> (Bl.) Val.	Zingiberaceae	rh	MeOH	+	+
Tumpak babi	<i>Hornstedtia mollis</i> (Bl.) Val.	Zingiberaceae	rh	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Buah naga	<i>Hylocereus costaricensis</i> (F.A.C. Weber) Britton & Rose	Cactaceae	f	EtOH	+	+
Bunga sapa	<i>Impatiens platypetala</i> Lindl.	Balsaminaceae	ae	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Bunga sapa	<i>Impatiens platypetala</i> Lindl.	Balsaminaceae	ae	MeOH	-	+
Ubi jalar	<i>Ipomoea batatas</i> (L.) Lam.	Convolvulaceae	t	EtOH	+	+
Daun gatal	<i>Laportea aestuans</i> (L.) Chew.	Urticaceae	l, s, r	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Daun gatal	<i>Laportea aestuans</i> (L.) Chew.	Urticaceae	l, s, r	MeOH	+	+
Daun gatal	<i>Laportea stimulans</i> (L.f.) Miq.	Urticaceae	l, s, r	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Daun gatal	<i>Laportea stimulans</i> (L.f.) Miq.	Urticaceae	l, s, r	MeOH	-	+
Mali-mali putih	<i>Leea aequata</i> L.	Vitaceae	l, s	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
<b>Mali-mali putih</b>	<b><i>Leea aequata</i> L.</b>	<b>Vitaceae</b>	<b>l, s</b>	<b>MeOH</b>	-	-

Ambulia	<i>Limnophila rugosa</i> (Roth.) Merr.	Plantaginaceae	l, s	DCM	+	+
Ambulia	<i>Limnophila rugosa</i> (Roth.) Merr.	Plantaginaceae	l, s	MeOH	+	+
Sanrego	<i>Lunasia amara</i> Blanco	Rutaceae	l, s	MeOH	+	+
Apel	<i>Malus domestica</i> Borkh.	Rosaceae	f	EtOH	+	+
Mangga kasturi	<i>Mangifera casturi</i> Kosterm.	Anacardiaceae	f	MeOH	-	+
Senggani	<i>Marumia affinis</i> Korth.	Melastomaceae	l, s	DCM	+	+
Senggani	<i>Marumia affinis</i> Korth.	Melastomaceae	l, s	MeOH	+	+
Mengkudu	<i>Morinda citrifolia</i> L.	Rubiaceae	f	EtOH	+	+
Kemuning	<i>Murraya paniculata</i> (L.) Jack.	Rutaceae	t	EtOH	+	+
Kemangi	<i>Ocimum basilicum</i> L. forma <i>citratum</i> Back.	Lamiaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Daun kumis kucing	<i>Orthosiphon aristatus</i> (Bl.) Miq.	Lamiaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Ginseng	<i>Panax notoginseng</i> (Burkill) F.H.Chen	Araliaceae	r	EtOH	+	+
Meniran	<i>Phyllanthus niruri</i> L.	Phyllanthaceae	l, s	DCM	+	+
Meniran	<i>Phyllanthus niruri</i> L.	Phyllanthaceae	l, s	EtOH	+	+
Ciplukan	<i>Physalis angulata</i> L.	Solanaceae	f	EtOH	-	+
Ciplukan	<i>Physalis angulata</i> L.	Solanaceae	f	DCM	-	+
<b>Ciplukan</b>	<b><i>Physalis angulata</i> L.</b>	<b>Solanaceae</b>	<b>p</b>	<b>EtOH</b>	-	-
<b>Ciplukan</b>	<b><i>Physalis angulata</i> L.</b>	<b>Solanaceae</b>	<b>p</b>	<b>DCM</b>	-	-
Poh-pohan	<i>Pilea melastomoides</i> (Poir) Bl.	Urticaceae	l, s, r, fl	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Poh-pohan	<i>Pilea melastomoides</i> (Poir) Bl.	Urticaceae	l, s, r, fl	MeOH	+	+
Sirih hitam	<i>Piper acre</i> Blume	Piperaceae	l, s	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Sirih hitam	<i>Piper acre</i> Blume	Piperaceae	l, s	MeOH	-	+
Sirih hutan	<i>Piper caducibracteum</i> C. DC.	Piperaceae	l	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Kemukus	<i>Piper cubeba</i> L.f.	Piperaceae	f	DCM	+	+
<b>Kemukus</b>	<b><i>Piper cubeba</i> L.f.</b>	<b>Piperaceae</b>	<b>f</b>	<b>EtOH</b>	-	-
Cabe jawa	<i>Piper retrofractum</i> Vahl.	Piperaceae	f	EtOH	+	+
Jering	<i>Archidendron ellipticum</i> (Blanco) I.C.Nielsen	Leguminosae	l, s	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	-	+
Jering	<i>Archidendron ellipticum</i> (Blanco) I.C.Nielsen	Leguminosae	l, s	MeOH	-	+
Daun sendok	<i>Plantago lanceolata</i> L.	Plantaginaceae	l	DCM	+	+
Daun sendok	<i>Plantago lanceolata</i> L.	Plantaginaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Daun sendok	<i>Plantago major</i> L.	Plantaginaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Matoa	<i>Pometia pinnata</i> J.R.Forst. & G.Forst.	Sapindaceae	l	DCM	+	+
Matoa	<i>Pometia pinnata</i> J.R.Forst. & G.Forst.	Sapindaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Buas-buas, Singkil	<i>Premna cordifolia</i> Roxb.	Lamiaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Jambu biji	<i>Psidium guajava</i> L.	Myrtaceae	f	EtOH	+	+
<b>Beberetean, Arben</b>	<b><i>Rubus chrysophyllus</i> Reinw. Ex Miq.</b>	<b>Rosaceae</b>	<b>l, s</b>	<b>MeOH</b>	-	-
Beberetean, Arben	<i>Rubus chrysophyllus</i> Reinw. Ex Miq.	Rosaceae	l, s	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Akar kayu raung	<i>Schefflera scandens</i> (Bl.) R. Vig.	Araliaceae	l, s	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	-	+
Akar kayu raung	<i>Schefflera scandens</i> (Bl.) R. Vig.	Araliaceae	l, s	MeOH	-	+
Jakatuwa	<i>Scoparia dulcis</i> L.	Scrophulariaceae	l, s	MeOH	-	+
Jakatuwa	<i>Scoparia dulcis</i> L.	Scrophulariaceae	l, s	DCM	+	+
Daun cakar ayam	<i>Selaginella plana</i> Hieron	Selaginellaceae	l, s, r	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	+	+
Daun cakar ayam	<i>Selaginella plana</i> Hieron	Selaginellaceae	l, s, r	MeOH	-	+
Sidagori, Saliguri	<i>Sida mysorensis</i> Wight & Arn.	Malvaceae	l, s, fl	MeOH	-	+
Tomat	<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> L.	Solanaceae	f	EtOH	+	+
Tempuyung	<i>Sonchus arvensis</i> L.	Compositae	l	EtOH	+	+
Kemangi cina	<i>Spigelia anthelmia</i> L.	Loganiaceae	l, s	DCM	+	+
Kemangi cina	<i>Spigelia anthelmia</i> L.	Loganiaceae	l, s	MeOH	+	+
Kedondong	<i>Spondias dulcis</i> Parkinson	Anacardiaceae	l	DCM	+	+
Kedondong	<i>Spondias dulcis</i> Parkinson	Anacardiaceae	l	EtOH	-	+
Kepel	<i>Stelechocarpus burahol</i> (Blume) Hook.f. & Thomson	Annonaceae	l	DCM	-	+
Kepel	<i>Stelechocarpus burahol</i> (Blume) Hook.f. & Thomson	Annonaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Daun hantap	<i>Sterculia oblongata</i> R. Br.	Sterculiaceae	l	MeOH	+	+
Keji beling	<i>Sericocalyx crispus</i> (L.) Bremek.	Acanthaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Mahoni	<i>Swietenia macrophylla</i> King	Meliaceae	se	EtOH	+	+
Jambu air	<i>Syzigium aqueum</i> (Burm.f.) Alston	Myrtaceae	f	DCM	+	+
Jambu air	<i>Syzigium aqueum</i> (Burm.f.) Alston	Myrtaceae	l	DCM	+	+
Jambu air	<i>Syzigium aqueum</i> (Burm.f.) Alston	Myrtaceae	f	EtOH	-	+
Jambu air	<i>Syzigium aqueum</i> (Burm.f.) Alston	Myrtaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Jamblang	<i>Syzigium cumini</i> (L.) Skeels	Myrtaceae	se	EtOH	+	+
Jamblang	<i>Syzigium cumini</i> (L.) Skeels	Myrtaceae	se	DCM	+	+
Jamblang	<i>Syzigium cumini</i> (L.) Skeels	Myrtaceae	l	EtOH	+	+
Jamblang	<i>Syzigium cumini</i> (L.) Skeels	Myrtaceae	l	DCM	+	+
Jamblang	<i>Syzigium cumini</i> (L.) Skeels	Myrtaceae	f	EtOH	-	+
Jamblang	<i>Syzigium cumini</i> (L.) Skeels	Myrtaceae	f	DCM	+	+
Som Jawa	<i>Talinum paniculatum</i> (Jacq.) Gaertn.	Portulacaceae	r	DCM	+	+
Som Jawa	<i>Talinum paniculatum</i> (Jacq.) Gaertn.	Portulacaceae	r	EtOH	+	+
<b>Mempelas</b>	<b><i>Tetracera maingayi</i> Hoogland</b>	<b>Dilleniaceae</b>	<b>l, s</b>	<b>CHCl<sub>3</sub></b>	-	-
<b>Mempelas</b>	<b><i>Tetracera maingayi</i> Hoogland</b>	<b>Dilleniaceae</b>	<b>l, s</b>	<b>MeOH</b>	-	-
Bratawali	<i>Tinospora crispa</i> (L.) Hook. f. & Thomson	Menispermaceae	f	EtOH	+	+
Bangle	<i>Zingiber montanum</i> (J.Koenig) Link ex A.Dietr.	Zingiberaceae	rh	EtOH	+	+
Aspirin					-	-

Note: **Part of plant.** b: bark; f: fruit; fl: flower; h: herb; l: leaf; t: tuber; p: petal; r: root; rh: rhizome; ri: rind; s: stem; se: seed. **Solvent.** CHCl<sub>3</sub>: chloroform; MeOH: methanol, EtOH: ethanol; DCM: dichloromethane; Aq: aquadest; EtOAc: ethyl acetate. **Results,** + : violet gel presents (aggregation); - : no violet gel (no aggregation). **The bold letters** indicated the active plant extracts.



**Figure 1.** Antiplatelet activity of the selected active extracts on ADP-induced platelet aggregation. Ethanol extract of *Averrhoa bilimbi* leaf (**12**), methanol extract of *Cinnamomum sintoc* bark (**26**), ethanol extract of *Garcinia mangostana* rind (**50**), methanol extract of *Leea aequata* leaf (**68**), ethanol and dichloromethane extracts of *Physalis angulata* petal (**85** and **86**), ethanol extract of *Piper cubeba* fruit (**93**), methanol extract of *Rubus chrysophyllus* leaf and stem (**104**), and methanol and dichloromethane extracts of *Tetracera maingayi* leaf and stem (**136** and **137**) were tested at 100  $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ . The solvent (DMSO) and ticagrelor were at 0.1% and 10  $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ , respectively. Data are expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD from three independent experiments; \* statistically significant compared with the solvent group, # statistically significant compared with **68**, **85**, **86** ( $p < 0.01$ ; ANOVA followed by Dunnett's post-hoc test).

Platelet aggregation is also triggered by the activation of platelet receptors, such as P2Y<sub>12</sub>, PAR<sub>2</sub>, PAR<sub>4</sub>, TP $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha_2$ , and glycoprotein receptors by their respective ligands. Among these receptors, P2Y<sub>12</sub> is the most studied and represents a promising target for antiplatelet agents. Activation of P2Y<sub>12</sub> by its ligand ADP not only induces platelet aggregation but also provokes platelet degranulation, leading to additional ADP release that intensifies aggregation (Murugappa and Kunapuli 2006; Yeung et al. 2018). The use of prasugrel and ticagrelor as potent P2Y<sub>12</sub> antagonists is effective for atherothrombosis (Collet et al. 2021). Thus, we evaluated the effectivity of the active plant extracts to inhibit platelet aggregation induced by ADP (Figure 1). Ticagrelor inhibited platelet aggregation induced by ADP, indicating that this bioassay was appropriate for the screening of P2Y<sub>12</sub> antagonists. The methanol extract of *C. sintoc* cortex (**27**), methanol extract of *L. aequata* leaf (**68**), ethanol and dichloromethane extracts of *P. angulata* petal (**85** and **86**) demonstrated antiplatelet activity.

Figure 1 shows that the methanol extract of *C. sintoc* cortex showed the strongest effect among the extracts. The bark of *C. sintoc* contains tannins, 3-allyl-6-methoxyphenol, methyl eugenol, *cis*-methyl isoeugenol, *p*-acetamidophenol, methyl myristate, methyl palmitate,

methyl linoleate, methyl octadec-9-enoate, methyl stearate, and methyl 11-eicosenoate (Jantan et al. 2005; Fakhrudin et al. 2019). Interestingly, none of these compounds were reported to have antiplatelet activity. Although a previous study demonstrated that the tannin content of the methanol extract of *C. sintoc* cortex is linearly correlated with the antiplatelet activity induced by epinephrine (Fakhrudin et al. 2019), the compound responsible for the antiplatelet activity remains unknown. Thus, further research on isolating and identifying the antiplatelet compound from *C. sintoc* bark is a vast prospect. *Cinnamomum tenuifolium* (Dong et al. 2013) and *C. philippinense* (Yu et al. 1994) contain the antiplatelet agents isotenuifolide and cinnamophilin, respectively. However, no study reported the presence of these compounds in *C. sintoc*.

The other plant extracts with a moderate activity are the methanol extract of *L. aequata* leaf (**68**) and the ethanol and dichloromethane extracts of *P. angulata* petal (**85** and **86**). *Leea aequata* is a wild shrub traditionally used because of its antimalarial, antifever, antiantelmintic, antijaundice, and astringent effects (Sinaga et al. 2018). A recent study has reported the presence of new compounds, including (7S,8R)-9'-O-acetylcedrusin (a lignan) and (3S,4S)-4-chloro-3-hydroxypiperidin-2-one (a lactam), and several known compounds (Tun et al. 2019). However, none of them have antiplatelet activity. Apart from *L. aequata*, *P. angulata* contains physalin B as an antiplatelet compound isolated from the aerial parts (Mangwala et al. 2013; Hsu et al. 2014; Yang et al. 2018). In line with the previous finding, we found that the petal extracts of *P. angulata* showed antiplatelet activity. Therefore, it merits further study because it is underutilized apart from the edible fruit.

In summary, we identified ten plant extracts showing antiplatelet activity by using CaCl<sub>2</sub>-induced platelet aggregation. Four out of ten active extracts demonstrated significant antiplatelet activity in ADP-induced platelet aggregation. The methanol extract of *C. sintoc* bark is the most potent extract followed by the methanol extract of *L. aequata* leaf, the dichloromethane and methanol extracts of *P. angulata* petal. These extracts are promising to be developed further as antiplatelet agents to combat cardiovascular diseases. This study provides a scientific basis for the development of antiplatelet agents from natural plant products.

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