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Reviewer: 1

Comments to the Author

The paper needs clear link with the literature which is absent currently and it is too short to understand a complete picture. Statistical calculations need proper attention particularly when calculation ORs and its 95%CI.

Reviewer: 2

Comments to the Author

Sutiningsih et al. conducted a cross-sectional descriptive study on Covid-19 mortality in Central Java, Indonesia. The methodology was clear, and the result was concise and straightforward. Indonesia has one of the highest Covid-19 CFR in Asia - considering the scarcity of published data from the country, even for descriptive cross-sectional studies, it may be merited to publish this paper. The specific area study focusing in the districts of Central Java also elevated the value of the data.

In my opinion, there are several points that can be revised to elevate the quality of the study:

1. Considering the data available, it would be merited to conduct a multivariate analysis, even for a limited number of covariates. Thus, it would be best to present two tables, instead of Table 1 in this paper. The first table would show the univariate analysis showing the p value for each demographic covariate (gender, presence of comorbidity etc.). The second table would show the result of multivariate analysis using logistic regression model, combining all covariate of interests, i.e. those that were significant in the univariate analysis, plus anything else that the authors are interested in. This second table would give the multivariate OR that is useful as a prognostic factor.

This paper by Alamdari et al (<https://doi.org/10.1620/tjem.252.73>) would be a good reference, where Table 1 and Table 5 in that paper showing the univariate and multivariate analysis, respectively. In case of the current manuscript, instead of discharged/expired, the column would be death outcome (yes/no) only.

2. As for the title, considering the sheer number of unknowns (>90%) in comorbidity, I would suggest to just refrain from mentioning "comorbidity". It may be better to simplify the title into "Covid-19 deaths and associated demographic factors in Central Java, Indonesia"

3. For "Comorbidities" in Table 3 and in Result, it would be better if the authors could differentiate between "No history" and "Unknown/not recorded", if the data is available. If there are too many unknowns, comorbidities should not be included in multivariate analysis, or the authors could make a separate regression model with a limited number of subjects, which includes only those with known comorbidities (including "no history").

4. The number of mortality cases included in the analysis should be mention in Results and not Introduction.

5. For Figure 1 it would make more sense to put districts with the highest CFR at the top instead of the bottom. Similarly, with Table 2, "Entrepreneur" at the top then goes down, with "Unknown" at the bottom above "Total".

6. To Figure 2, it would be interesting to add a trend line of Covid-19 case prevalence in Central Java, which should be available from official district government data.

7. There are several grammatical and typo errors in the manuscript. It would be best if the authors could consider English copyediting of the manuscript by a native speaker, or by a professional service.

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- 0.16 % to 0.23% (Result Section, Paragraph 4, Page 6)
- 4.7 to 3.89 (Discussion Section, Paragraph 1, Page 6)
- Adding data about diabetes analysis to table 2 because we had missed it previously (Page 7)
- Ustadz to Islamic teacher (Page 8)

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