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Heparin-induced thrombocytopenia: case report

A retrospective, single-center, observational study (conducted between 1 March 2020 and 20 April 2020), included 17 COVID-19 patients treated with extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO) for COVID-19, described a patient [age and sex not stated], who developed heparin-induced thrombocytopenia during treatment with heparin [route, time to reaction onset and outcome not stated].

The patient, who had COVID-19 with acute respiratory distress syndrome, was admitted and received ECMO treatment. The patient started receiving anticoagulant treatment with heparin [unfractionated heparin] 400 IE/h [sic]. However, the patient developed heparin-induced thrombocytopenia II.

Thus, the patient received argatroban instead of heparin. Subsequently, the patient developed a major endobronchial bleeding and pulmonary artery embolism.

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