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The Effect of R&D Intensity, Intellectual Capital and Managerial Ability on Firms Performance with Political Connection as a Moderation Variable

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## ABSTRAK

This study aims to examine and analyze the effect of Research and Development intensity, intellectual capital, and managerial ability on firms' performance both directly and moderated by political connection. This study uses manufacturing sector firms listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange which<sup>1</sup> were selected using the purposive sampling method, with a total of 119 data observations (2013 - 2017) and using a quantitative approach. This study uses multiple linear regression analysis and hierarchical regression analysis. The results of the study<sup>2</sup> prove empirically<sup>3</sup> that the intensity of R&D can improve firms' performance and<sup>4</sup> political connection can increase the relationship of Research and development intensity with firms' performance. The results of empirical evidence show that firms' performance can be improved<sup>5</sup> through intellectual capital, but the<sup>6</sup> political connection cannot strengthen or weaken the relationship of intellectual capital to firms' performance. Meanwhile, the empirical evidence of this study related to managerial ability is not able to

improve the firms' performance and<sup>7</sup> political connection cannot strengthen or weaken the relationship of managerial<sup>8</sup> ability<sup>9</sup> to firms' performance.

Keywords: R&D Intensity, Intellectual Capital, Managerial Ability, Firms' Performance, Political Connection

## A B S T R A K

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menguji dan menganalisa pengaruh intensitas R&D, modal intelektual, kemampuan manajerial terhadap kinerja perusahaan baik secara langsung maupun dimoderasi oleh koneksi politik. Penelitian ini menggunakan perusahaan sektor manufaktur yang tercatat di Bursa Efek Indonesia yang dipilih menggunakan metoda purposive sampling, dengan jumlah observasi sebanyak 119 data (2013 - 2017) dan menggunakan pendekatan kuantitatif. Penelitian ini menggunakan analisis regresi linier berganda dan hierarchy regression analysis. Hasil penelitian membuktikan secara empiris bahwa intensitas R&D dapat meningkatkan kinerja perusahaan dan koneksi politik dapat meningkatkan hubungan intensitas R&D dengan kinerja perusahaan. Hasil bukti empiris menunjukkan kinerja perusahaan dapat ditingkatkan melalui modal intelektual, namun koneksi politik tidak dapat memperkuat atau memperlemah hubungan modal intelektual terhadap kinerja perusahaan. Sedangkan, bukti empiris terkait kemampuan manajerial tidak mampu meningkatkan kinerja perusahaan dan koneksi politik tidak dapat memperkuat ataupun memperlemah hubungan kemampuan manajerial terhadap kinerja perusahaan.

Kata Kunci: Intensitas R&D, Modal Intelektual, Kemampuan Manajerial, Kinerja Perusahaan, Koneksi Politik

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## INTRODUCTION

Performance is a work that can be achieved by a person or group in the organization by the authority and responsibilities of each to achieve organizational goals (Aziz, 2008). In business organizations, producing optimal performance is the main<sup>10</sup> motivation of the firms' to continue carrying out business operations (Górriz & Fumás, 1996). This assumption is not always in line with expectations and<sup>11</sup> firms often experience a decline in performance and even experience liquidation. The decline in performance can be caused<sup>12</sup> by the decline in company sales and the decline in Return on Assets.

### Grafic 1<sup>13</sup>

Sales growth and Return on Assets (ROA) of manufacturing firms' listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange in 2015-2017

Source: idx.co.id

The table shows that from 2015 to 2016<sup>14</sup> the firms' sales growth reached 1.25% and<sup>15</sup> in 2017<sup>16</sup> decreased by 1.23%, while ROA growth in 2015-2016 showed a figure of 2.15% but<sup>17</sup> in 2017<sup>18</sup> it decreased by 0.88%.

R&D (Research and Development) is one of the firms' intangible assets to improve firms' performance. Creating innovation and new technology is certainly not easy and certainly not cheap. R&D activities have an important<sup>19</sup> role and contribution to firms<sup>20</sup> innovation (Crepon, Duguet, & Mairessec, 1998; B. H. Hall, Lotti, & Mairesse, 2013). The success of an R&D can provide a competitive advantage for firms<sup>21</sup>, because it can be a differentiation strategy to help in global competition (Darmawan, Suharyono, & Iqbal, 2015).

Intellectual capital information is one of the information needed by investors. This<sup>22</sup> is because intellectual<sup>23</sup> capital information can help investors to better<sup>24</sup> assess the capability of the firms in creating wealth in the future.

Developments regarding intellectual capital have attracted the attention of several researchers over the past few years. Verduijn (2013) research results show that intellectual capital can improve firms' performance in Poland and the Netherlands. This<sup>25</sup> proves that intellectual capital can be one indicator to predict firms' performance in the future.

Intangible assets such as managerial ability can also affect firms' performance. A very well-known manager can make investment strategies to improve firm performance (Hall, 1992). Measuring managerial<sup>26</sup> ability<sup>27</sup> or talent is central to many important<sup>28</sup> questions in research. Managerial<sup>29</sup> ability<sup>30</sup> is measured using data envelopment analysis (DEA) (Demerjian, Lev, & McVay, 2012).

The politically connected firms will get many benefits including<sup>31</sup> high leverage, low tax pay, high market power, high market share when compared to the firms without political connection. This<sup>32</sup> proves that a firm with political<sup>33</sup> connection becomes stronger when compared to firms without political<sup>34</sup> connection (Faccio, 2006).

The motivation that underlies this research is due to the inconsistency of variables in previous studies, which may be caused by the use of data from different periods, different environmental conditions and measurement of different variables, so the researcher intends to add political connection variables as moderating variables to overcome these inconsistencies.<sup>35</sup>

This study aims to prove empirically the influence of R&D intensity, intellectual capital, and managerial ability on firms' performance with political connection as a moderating variable.<sup>36</sup>

## THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK AND HYPOTHESES

In the view of (Barney, 1991), Resource-Based View (RBV), firms can utilize and manage all its resources to get better performance and competitive advantage by owning, controlling, and utilizing<sup>37</sup> important<sup>38</sup> strategic assets, both tangible or intangible. The intensity of R&D, intellectual capital, and managerial ability is the development of intangible assets that were not initially taken into account by the firms. This theory can help managers in understanding that all firms' resources can improve firms' performance through their excellence.

The existence of political connection can also affect firms performance,<sup>39</sup> because the purpose of political connection can be explained by the Resource Dependence Theory (RDT) theory, which explains that one way firms reduce the uncertainty of the external environment is by building political connection<sup>40</sup> (Hillman & Dalziel, 2003; Pfeffer & Salancik, 1978) which will provide firm with a stronger resource base, such as links to government, advisors, advice, and experience.<sup>41</sup> Previous literature (Mitchell & Joseph, 2010) has stated that political connection is valuable assets that firms can have to minimize external risks, especially in developing countries.



In this study, the political connection variable is considered to strengthen the influence of R&D intensity, intellectual capital and managerial ability on firms performance, because with political connection the firms become stronger (Faccio, 2006) because it gets protection from the government, obtains access to capital loans <sup>42</sup> easily, low risk during a tax audit. Also, they firmly get <sup>43</sup> special rights from the government, <sup>44</sup> for <sup>45</sup> example during a financial crisis, it is easy for firms to get bailouts from the government (Kim & Zhang, 2013).

#### Effect of Research and development (R&D) Intensity on Firms Performance

Several previous studies are examining the relationship of R&D to performance, research by Hajiheydari, Dastgir, & Soltani (2011); Sampurno (2007) found that increased spending on R&D leads to increases, sales, and profitability in firms. Gleason & Klock (2006) and Black, Jang, & Kim (2006) show that R&D is positively related to Tobin's-q. <sup>46</sup> This <sup>47</sup> shows that the higher R&D undertaken by firms will have a <sup>48</sup> strong impact on improving firms' performance.

H1: The intensity of R&D has a positive effect on firm performance.

#### Effect of Intellectual Capital on Firms Performance

Research Ulum (2007), Verduijn (2013) <sup>49</sup> and Gigante (2013) show that intellectual capital has a positive <sup>50</sup> effect on firms' performance. However, not all research results show positive results. Daud & Amri (2008) show that intellectual capital negatively influences firms' performance.

H2: Intellectual capital has a positive effect on firms' performance.

#### Effect of Managerial Ability on Firms Performance

Baik, Farber, & Lee (2011) show that more capable managers are better at predicting future earnings, while Demerjian et al. (2012) found that financial statements of more capable managers tend to manipulate.

H3: Managerial ability has a positive effect on firms' performance.

## Political Connection Moderate the Effect of R&D Intensity on Firms Performance

The political connection can help in reducing external financing and can allocate external funding efficiently (Zhang & Guo, 2019). Besides, the political connection<sup>51</sup> can assist in external<sup>52</sup> lenders in conducting firms R&D activities and innovative activities (Ades & Tella, 1999; Boerner & Hainz, 2009; Dreher, Kotsogiannis, & McCorriston, 2007). The higher R&D carried out by the firms will have a strong<sup>53</sup> impact on the increase in firms' performance (Gleason & Klock, 2006).

H4: Political connection strengthens the positive influence of R&D intensity on firms' performance.

## Political Connection Moderate the Effects of Intellectual Capital on Firms Performance

Intellectual<sup>54</sup> capital is human resources that can affect productivity services (Penrose, 2009). Therefore the firms must be able to build a positive perception of the market so that the firms' performance will improve. Market value can increase if the firm's intellectual capital is put<sup>55</sup> to good use (Chen, Cheng, & Hwang, 2005). With the connection of political connection, it can affect the increase in firms' intellectual capital in terms of capital structure and equity (Pulic, 1999).

H5: Political connection strengthens the positive influence of intellectual capital on firms' performance

## Political Connection Moderate the Effect of Managerial Ability on Firms Performance

The existence of political connections<sup>56</sup> within the firms can affect the ability of managers because the preparation of firms' strategies in competition must be able to find and take advantage of opportunities in the business environment

(Leuz & Oberholzer-Gee, 2006). (Faccio, Masulis, & McConnell, 2006) explains that to obtain good<sup>57</sup> financial performance, the firms make a political connection. (Chaney, Faccio, & Parsley, 2011) show that politically connected firms have lower performance compared to a firm that does not have a political connection on an accountant basis.

H6: Political connection strengthens the positive influence of managerial ability on firms' performance.

## RESEARCH METHOD

The study population is manufacturing sector firms listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange (IDX) from 2013 to 2017. The researcher uses a purposive sampling method to take samples. Sample criteria are manufacturing sector firms that publish annual reports for 5<sup>58</sup> years in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and and<sup>59</sup> 2017 and<sup>60</sup> firms that have complete data related to all indicators of research variables.

The dependent variable is firming performance measured using Tobin's-q ratio. Tobin's-q is calculated using the market value of ordinary shares, the book value of preferred shares and<sup>61</sup> the book value of long-term liabilities, divided by the book value of total assets. The market value of ordinary shares is<sup>62</sup> calculated by multiplying the stock market price at the end of the fiscal year by the number of ordinary shares outstanding (Villalonga & Amit, 2006).

The independent variable, namely R&D intensity, is calculated using R&D costs divided by total assets (Lu et al., 2010). Intellectual capital is measured using VAIC™ (Pulic, 1998), by calculating  $VA = OUT - IN$ ,  $VACA = VA / CA$  where CA is physical capital or available funds (equity),  $VAHU = VA / HC$  where HC is human capital or employee expense, and  $STVA = SC / VA$  where SC is structural capital or VA - HC.<sup>63</sup> Whereas managerial ability is measured using DEA with sales indicators as output and seven other accounting inputs, consisting of the cost

of goods sold, SG&A, PP&E, operating leases, R&D, goodwill, and Otherintangible (Demerjian et al., 2012).

While the moderating variable, namely political connection, is calculated by the natural logarithm of the total score of political <sup>64</sup>connection in the firm plus one point or can be formulated with  $LN(PCINDEX) = LN(1 + PCINDEX)$ . This calculation is used based on the consideration of a skewness index of political connection and the fact that some firms do not have a <sup>65</sup>connection (Tao, Sun, Zhu, & Yang, 2017). Political <sup>66</sup>connection within the firms will be scored according to position/status and status so that political connection score ranges from a score of 0 (no political <sup>67</sup>connection) to a score of 9 (the highest level as a minister. <sup>68</sup>Civil (PNS) in Indonesia (Supatmi, T, Saraswati, & Purnomosidhi, 2019).

Data analysis in this study uses two types of regression analysis <sup>69</sup>namely, multiple regression analysis and Hierarchy Regression Analysis.

$$KP = \alpha + \beta_1 IRD_{it} + \beta_2 IC_{it} + \beta_3 MA_{it} + \epsilon_1 \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

$$KP = \alpha + \beta_4 IRD_{it} + \beta_5 IC_{it} + \beta_6 MA_{it} + \beta_7 PC_{it} + \epsilon_2 \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

$$KP = \alpha + \beta_8 IRD_{it} + \beta_9 IC_{it} + \beta_{10} MA_{it} + \beta_{11} PC_{it} + \beta_{12} PC_{it} * IRD_{it} + \beta_{13} PC_{it} * IC_{it} + \beta_{14} PC_{it} * MA_{it} + \epsilon_3 \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

Keterangan:

KP: The firms' performance in the firms <sup>70</sup> $i$  year  $t$

$\alpha$ : A constant

$\beta_1 - \beta_7$ : The coefficient of the independent variable in the firms <sup>71</sup> $i$  year  $t$

IRD: The intensity of R&D in the firms <sup>72</sup> $i$  year  $t$

IC: Intellectual capital in the firms <sup>73</sup> $i$  year  $t$

MA: Managerial ability in the firms <sup>74</sup> $i$  year  $t$

PC: Political connection to the firms <sup>75</sup> $i$  year to  $t$

$\epsilon$ : Error

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Descriptive statistics explain the characteristics of research data which<sup>76</sup> include minimum, maximum, average, and standard deviation values.

Variable

Min

Max

Average

Standar<sup>77</sup> Dev.

R&D Intensity

0.00

0.20

0.01

0.04

Capital Employed

-2.33

2.22

0.32

0.42

Human Capital

-2.86

15.24

3.25

2.63

Structural Capital

-2.32

1.35

0.49

0.45

Intellectual Capital

-2.35

16.39

4.06

3.01

Managerial Ability

0.43

1.95

1.10

0.17

Political Connection

0.00

3.66

1.52

1.35

Firm Performance

0.58

23.29

3.25

4.09

Table 1

Descriptive Statistics of Variable Data Hierarchy Results

Based on table 1 proves that the standard deviation is lower than the average value. <sup>78</sup>This can be <sup>79</sup>interpreted that the value of one variable to another does not have a <sup>80</sup>large difference, so the data from each variable can <sup>81</sup>be used in this study.

Variable

I

II

III

Koef Reg

t

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t

Koef Reg

t

R&D Intensity

0,49\*

6,43

0,46\*

6,19

-0,34\*

-2,38

Intellectual Capital

0,28\*

3,50

0,26\*

3,39

0,06

0,56

Managerial Ability

-0,02

-0,24

-0,03

-0,44

-0,09

-0,89

Political Connection

0,23\*

3,29

-0,40

-0,72

R&D Intensity x Political Connection

0,86\*\*

5,38

Intellectual Capital x Political Connection



0,29

1,62

Managerial Ability x Political Connection

0,33

0,62

\*, \*\*: significance level at 1% dan 5%

Table 2

Hierarchy Variable Data Regression Analysis Results

Effect of R&D Intensity on firms Performance

From this table, it is known that the R&D intensity variable has a positive effect on firms' performance as measured by Tobin's-q. This can be seen from  $t_{count} > t_{table}$ . In the table, it can be seen that the  $t_{count}$  for R&D intensity is 6.433 which is greater than the table of 1.981. This is supported by a significance value of 0,000 which is smaller than  $(\alpha)$  of 5% or 0.05. These results explain that the hypothesis that R&D intensity has a positive effect on firms' performance can be proven.

The results of this study support the theory of RBV (Resources-Based View) which states that firms can firm to gain competitive advantage by managing

their resources according to the firms' capabilities (Wernerfelt, 1984). <sup>96</sup> This is because <sup>97</sup> resources have an <sup>98</sup> important role in helping firms to achieve higher firms' performance (Jagelavičius, 2013). With the influence of R&D intensity on the firms' performance in this study, it can <sup>99</sup> be said that the firms can maximize the management of intangible assets to generate firms' profits.

The results in this study support the research of (Gleason & Klock, 2006) and (Black et al., 2006). The results showed that the higher R&D undertaken by the firms would have a <sup>100</sup> strong impact on improving firms' performance. Research conducted by (Lu, Tsai, & Yen, 2010) in a developed country, Taiwan, illustrates that developed countries attach great importance to the research and development of a product to be able to produce innovative products. Therefore, developing countries like Indonesia should be increasingly aware of the importance of conducting research and development because these activities are a way for the firms to be able to compete in the era of the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC).

#### Effect of Intellectual Capital on Firms Performance

The next table information shows that the intellectual capital variable <sup>101</sup> which is measured using <sup>102</sup> VAICTM has a positive <sup>103</sup> effect on firms' performance. <sup>104</sup> This is evident from the value of <sup>105</sup>  $t_{count} > t_{table}$  is <sup>106</sup>  $3.496 > 1.981$  and the significance <sup>107</sup> value is below the  $\alpha$  value of 0.05 <sup>108</sup> which is 0.001. So it can be said that hypothesis 2, namely intellectual capital, has a positive effect on firms' performance.

This finding shows that the market gives a higher value to a firm that has high intellectual capital. A firm that manages its intellectual resources to the maximum will be able to create <sup>109</sup> greater value-added and competitive advantage, which will lead to an increase in firms' performance.

The better the firms in managing the three components of intellectual capital shows <sup>110</sup>the better the firms in managing assets. <sup>111</sup>This <sup>112</sup>shows that the higher <sup>113</sup>intellectual ability, the cost can be efficiently managed. The influence of intellectual capital on firms' performance is by a resource-based theory <sup>11</sup>which states that firms can utilize all of their strategic resources to create competitive advantage (Wernerfelt, 1984). The results of this study also support research conducted by Ulum (2007), Verduijn (2013), and Gigante (2013).

### Effect of Managerial Ability on Firms Performance

The results of the managerial ability variable measured by Data Envelopment Analysis (DEA) do not affect firms' performance. <sup>115</sup>This is because the value of <sup>116</sup> $tcount < ttable$ , <sup>117</sup>can be seen from <sup>118</sup> $tcount$  of <sup>119</sup>-0.243 <sup>120</sup>which is smaller than <sup>121</sup> $ttable$  of <sup>122</sup>1.981. <sup>123</sup>This is also supported by the significance value of 0.808 <sup>124</sup>which is <sup>125</sup>greater than the significance level ( $\alpha$ ) <sup>126</sup>which is 5% or 0.05.

These findings explain that firms' performance is not determined by the level of managerial ability. <sup>127</sup>This is because managers with high <sup>128</sup>managerial skills are not yet able to move the <sup>130</sup>firm resources effectively and efficiently in the interests of achieving the goals set by the firms. Like the inability of managers to report goodwill and other stars that should be reported in annual reports but not reported or rarely reported. <sup>131</sup>This can be <sup>132</sup>caused because the reporting of intangible assets is still voluntary.

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### Political Connection Moderate the Effect of R&D Intensity on Firms Performance

The moderating variable regression results show that political connection can strengthen the positive influence of R&D intensity on firms' performance. <sup>138</sup> This can be seen <sup>139</sup> from the value of tcount <sup>140</sup> > ttable <sup>141</sup>, where the tcount <sup>142</sup> is 5.380 <sup>143</sup> and ttable <sup>144,145</sup> is 1.981. While the significance value of 0,000, which means less than the level of significance ( $\alpha$ ) of 5% or 0.05

A political connection will provide a stronger resource base. The firms that have political connection <sup>146</sup> becomes stronger when firms to firms that do not have a political connection. <sup>147</sup> This <sup>148</sup> is in line with Faccio et al. (2006) research which <sup>149</sup> shows that to obtain good <sup>150</sup> performance, the firms make a political connection, <sup>151</sup> this is because politics is one of the main determinants of a country's institutional environment. The encouragement of firms to have political connections has received special attention from economic observers due to the indication of preferential treatment from the government.

The firms can use their connections to attract investors to obtain additional funding in conducting research and development to improve firms' performance. When more and more investors will increase <sup>152</sup> the capital owned by the firms, so the firms can develop their business.

### Political Connection Moderate the Effects of Intellectual Capital on Firms Performance

The next result of moderation is that political connection can strengthen the positive influence of intellectual capital on firms' performance is not proven, <sup>153</sup> this can be seen from the table data above that the tcount <sup>154</sup> is 1.616 smaller than the ttable <sup>155</sup> value. <sup>156</sup> This is also evident from the significance value where the

<sup>157</sup> value of  $\alpha$  is 0.05 less than 0.109. Then it can be concluded that political connection cannot affect intellectual capital on firms' performance.

This finding shows that political connection cannot moderate intellectual capital on firms' performance. This empirical finding can <sup>158</sup> be interpreted that the management of capital resources in firms is not related to the political relationship between the firms and the government, so political factors do not strengthen the relationship between intellectual capital and firms' performance.

The results of this study are in line with Pulic (1999) that the construct of intellectual capital management is more likely to be influenced by employed capital, human capital, and structural capital and does not explain the relationship between political relations with capital resource management and firms' performance. <sup>159</sup>

#### Political Connection Moderate the Effect of Managerial Ability on Firms Performance

Regression results for the last moderating variable are political connection can not influence managerial ability on firms' performance. <sup>160</sup> This is evident from the existing data that the value of tcount <sup>161</sup> is 0.617 smaller than the value ttable <sup>162</sup> of 1.981. <sup>163</sup> This is also evident from the significance value where the  $\alpha$  value is 0.05 less than 0.538.

Empirical evidence shows that political connection does not moderate the effect of managerial ability on firms' performance. This <sup>164</sup> empirical evidence can be interpreted that political connection <sup>165</sup> with the government cannot strengthen firms' performance, because this can be caused by the regulations that are <sup>166</sup> produced or issued by the government are not profitable for the firms.

The influence of the political connection factor does not strengthen the manager's ability to manage the firms because companies need more

connection with investors to obtain sources of funding used in research and development programs. Research and development programs are carried out<sup>167</sup> because they are supported by investors to produce output that has more value, so it also affects firms' performance.

#### CONCLUSION, IMPLICATION, SUGGESTION, AND LIMITATIONS

The purpose of this study is to look at the effect of R&D intensity from R&D expenditures with total assets, intellectual capital that includes employed capital, human capital, and structural capital and managerial ability measured by the Data Envelopment Analysis (DEA) method using output orientation and input to firms performance is proxied through Tobin's-q ratio with political connection as a moderating variable.<sup>168</sup> Firms' performance can be improved<sup>169</sup> by increasing the intensity of R&D and intellectual capital. The existence of political connections<sup>170</sup> can strengthen the influence of the relationship of R&D intensity on firms' performance.

The results showed that the intensity of R&D can<sup>171</sup> improve firms' performance. With research and development, firms can produce innovative products. Intellectual capital has a positive effect on firms' performance. Where in this study using the Pulic<sup>172</sup> model because it is still new. In this study, the Value Added Intellectual Coefficient (VAIC™) is used to measure the firms' intellectual capital. This method was formed to provide information about the efficiency value of firms' intangible assets while the firms are operating. Managerial ability on firms' performance does not affect. This<sup>173</sup> is caused by managers not paying attention to the intangible assets in the firms. Therefore managerial ability<sup>174</sup> cannot<sup>175</sup> improve firms' performance. The political connection in this research can strengthen the intensity of R&D in the firm's performance because the political connection<sup>176</sup> can provide benefits for the firms as well as attracting investors to provide additional funds in conducting research and

development of the firms. <sup>177</sup>Conversely, the political <sup>178</sup>connection does not strengthen or weaken intellectual capital and managerial ability on firms' performance. <sup>179</sup>This is because the presence or absence of a political <sup>1</sup>connection is not a problem for the firms. The firm needs more <sup>181</sup>connections with investors to obtain funding sources used in research and development programs.

Through this research, management and the firms as a whole can increase awareness to be more intensive in managing firms' resources so that these resources can be used effectively to improve firms' performance. Besides, the Accounting Standards-making Agency must encourage the firms to further improve firms' performance by listing intangible assets owned by the firms to improve firms' performance.

Based on the conclusions of some of the findings in the study, it is recommended further research to be able to add other factors that can improve firms' performance, so that it will add variations in the findings.

This study has several limitations, namely the incomplete presentation of reports, especially on intangible assets reported by the firms in the annual report. <sup>182</sup>This is an obstacle for researchers to obtain research data.

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1.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
2.	<del>study</del> → survey	Word Choice	Engagement
3.	empirically	Misplaced Words or Phrases	Correctness
4.	, and	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
5.	be improved	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
6.	<del>, but the</del> → . Still, the	Hard-to-read text	Clarity
7.	, and	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
8.	<del>managerial</del> → administrative	Word Choice	Engagement
9.	<del>ability</del> → expertise, knowledge, skill, talent	Word Choice	Engagement
10.	<del>main</del> → primary	Word Choice	Engagement
11.	, and	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
12.	be caused	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
13.	<del>Grafic</del> → Graphic	Misspelled Words	Correctness
14.	2016,	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
15.	, and	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness

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16.	2017,	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
17.	, but	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
18.	2017,	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
19.	<del>important</del> → essential	Word Choice	Engagement
20.	<del>firms</del> → firms', firm's	Incorrect Noun Number	Correctness
21.	<del>firms</del> ,	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
22.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
23.	<del>intellectual</del> → intelligent	Word Choice	Engagement
24.	to assess better	Misplaced Words or Phrases	Correctness
25.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
26.	<del>managerial</del> → administrative	Word Choice	Engagement
27.	<del>ability</del> → knowledge, skill	Word Choice	Engagement
28.	<del>important</del> → vital, essential	Word Choice	Engagement
29.	<del>Managerial</del> → Administrative	Word Choice	Engagement
30.	<del>ability</del> → capacity, expertise, skill	Word Choice	Engagement
31.	, including	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
32.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity

33.	<del>connection</del> → relationship, respect, context, regard	Word Choice	Engagement
34.	<del>connection</del> → context, regard	Word Choice	Engagement
35.	<i>The motivation that underlies this research is due to the inconsistency of variables in previous studies, which may be caused by the use of data from different periods, different environmental conditions and measurement of different variables, so the researcher intends to add political connection v...</i>	Hard-to-read text	Clarity
36.	the influence of R&D intensity, intellectual capital, and managerial ability on firms' performance with political connection as a moderating variable empirically	Misplaced Words or Phrases	Correctness
37.	<del>utilizing</del> → using	Word Choice	Engagement
38.	<del>important</del> → critical	Word Choice	Engagement
39.	<del>connection</del> → context, association, relationship	Word Choice	Engagement
40.	<del>explains</del> → demonstrates	Word Choice	Engagement
41.	<i>The existence of political connection can also affect firms performance, because the purpose of political connection can be explained by the Resource Dependence Theory (RDT) theory, which explains that one way firms reduce the uncertainty of the external environment is by building political connect...</i>	Hard-to-read text	Clarity
42.	<del>easily</del> → quickly	Word Choice	Engagement
43.	<del>special</del> → exclusive	Word Choice	Engagement
44.	<del>,for</del> → ; for	Punctuation in	Correctness

		Compound/Complex Sentences	
45.	<i>example,</i>	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
46.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
47.	<del>shows</del> → indicates	Word Choice	Engagement
48.	<del>strong</del> → substantial	Word Choice	Engagement
49.	<i>, and</i>	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
50.	<del>effect</del> → impact	Word Choice	Engagement
51.	<del>connection</del> → context, relationship, link	Word Choice	Engagement
52.	<del>external</del> → foreign	Word Choice	Engagement
53.	<del>strong</del> → substantial	Word Choice	Engagement
54.	<del>ntellectual</del> → intellectual	Misspelled Words	Correctness
55.	<i>is put</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
56.	<del>connections</del> → relationships	Word Choice	Engagement
57.	<del>good</del> → proper, sound, excellent	Word Choice	Engagement
58.	<del>5</del> → five	Improper Formatting	Correctness
59.	<i>, and</i>	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
60.	<i>, and</i>	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness



61.	, and	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
62.	is calculated	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
63.	<i>Intellectual capital is measured using VAIC™ (Pulic, 1998), by calculating <math>VA = OUT - IN</math>, <math>VACA = VA / CA</math> where <math>CA</math> is physical capital or available funds (equity), <math>VAHU = VA / HC</math> where <math>HC</math> is human capital or employee expense, and <math>STVA = SC / VA</math> where <math>SC</math> is structural capital or <math>VA - HC</math>.</i>	Hard-to-read text	Clarity
64.	<del>connection</del> → context, association, relationship	Word Choice	Engagement
65.	<del>connection</del> → relationship, link	Word Choice	Engagement
66.	<del>connection</del> → relationship, context, link, contact	Word Choice	Engagement
67.	<del>connection</del> → context	Word Choice	Engagement
68.	<del>-Civil</del> → — Civil	Incomplete Sentences	Correctness
69.	, namely	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
70.	ı → I	Misspelled Words	Correctness
71.	ı → I	Misspelled Words	Correctness
72.	ı → I	Misspelled Words	Correctness
73.	ı → I	Misspelled Words	Correctness
74.	ı → I	Misspelled Words	Correctness
75.	ı → I	Misspelled Words	Correctness
76.	, which	Punctuation in	Correctness

		Compound/Complex Sentences	
77.	<del>Standar</del> → Standard	Misspelled Words	Correctness
78.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
79.	<i>be interpreted</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
80.	<del>a large</del> → a significant, a massive, a tremendous, an enormous	Word Choice	Engagement
81.	<i>be used</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
82.	<i>is known</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
83.	<del>effect</del> → impact	Word Choice	Engagement
84.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
85.	<i>be seen</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
86.	<del>tcount</del> → count	Misspelled Words	Correctness
87.	<del>ttable</del> → table, stable	Misspelled Words	Correctness
88.	<i>be seen</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
89.	<del>tcount</del> → count, account	Misspelled Words	Correctness
90.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
91.	<del>greater</del> → higher	Word Choice	Engagement
92.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
93.	<i>is supported</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
94.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex	Correctness

		Sentences	
95.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
96.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
97.	<del>resources</del> → funds	Word Choice	Engagement
98.	<del>important</del> → essential	Word Choice	Engagement
99.	<i>be said</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
100.	<del>strong</del> → substantial	Word Choice	Engagement
101.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
102.	VAICTM,	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
103.	<del>effect</del> → impact	Word Choice	Engagement
104.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
105.	<del>tcount</del> → count	Misspelled Words	Correctness
106.	<del>ttable</del> → table	Misspelled Words	Correctness
107.	, and	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
108.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
109.	<del>greater</del> → higher	Word Choice	Engagement
110.	, the	Punctuation in	Correctness

		Compound/Complex Sentences	
111.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
112.	<del>shows</del> → indicates	Word Choice	Engagement
113.	<del>intellectual</del> → mental	Word Choice	Engagement
114.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
115.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
116.	<del>tcount</del> → count	Misspelled Words	Correctness
117.	<del>ttable</del> → table, stable	Misspelled Words	Correctness
118.	<del>ttable,</del>	Comma Misuse within Clauses	Correctness
119.	<del>tcount</del> → count	Misspelled Words	Correctness
120.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
121.	<del>ttable</del> → table	Misspelled Words	Correctness
122.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
123.	<i>is also supported</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
124.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
125.	<del>greater</del> → higher	Word Choice	Engagement
126.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness

127.	the level of managerial ability does not determine firms' performance	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
128.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
129.	<del>managerial</del> → administrative	Word Choice	Engagement
130.	<del>firm</del> → substantial	Word Choice	Engagement
131.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
132.	<i>be caused</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
133.	the level of managerial ability does not determine firms' performance	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
134.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
135.	<del>managerial</del> → administrative	Word Choice	Engagement
136.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
137.	<i>be caused</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
138.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
139.	<i>be seen</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
140.	<del>tcount</del> → count	Misspelled Words	Correctness
141.	<del>ttable</del> → table	Misspelled Words	Correctness
142.	<del>tcount</del> → count	Misspelled Words	Correctness
143.	, and	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
144.	<del>ttable</del> → table	Misspelled Words	Correctness
145.	the ttable	Determiner Use (a/an/the/this, etc.)	Correctness

146.	<del>connection</del> → relationship, context	Word Choice	Engagement
147.	<del>connection</del> → context, relationship, association	Word Choice	Engagement
148.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
149.	, which	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
150.	<del>good</del> → excellent	Word Choice	Engagement
151.	<del>, this</del> → ; this, . This	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
152.	<del>will increase</del> → increase	Faulty Tense Sequence	Correctness
153.	<i>be seen</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
154.	<del>tcount</del> → count	Misspelled Words	Correctness
155.	<del>ttable</del> → table, stable	Misspelled Words	Correctness
156.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
157.	<del>value</del> → cost, importance	Word Choice	Engagement
158.	<i>be interpreted</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
159.	<i>The results of this study are in line with Pulic (1999) that the construct of intellectual capital management is more likely to be influenced by employed capital, human capital, and structural capital and does not explain the relationship between political relations with capital resource management...</i>	Hard-to-read text	Clarity
160.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
161.	<del>tcount</del> count	Misspelled Words	Correctness

	→		
162.	<del>ttable</del> → table	Misspelled Words	Correctness
163.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
164.	<del>empirical</del> → anecdotal	Word Choice	Engagement
165.	<del>connection</del> → relationship, association	Word Choice	Engagement
166.	<i>are produced</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
167.	<i>are carried</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
168.	<i>The purpose of this study is to look at the effect of R&amp;D intensity from R&amp;D expenditures with total assets, intellectual capital that includes employed capital, human capital, and structural capital and managerial ability measured by the Data Envelopment Analysis (DEA) method using output orientat...</i>	Hard-to-read text	Clarity
169.	<i>be improved</i>	Passive Voice Misuse	Clarity
170.	<del>connections</del> → links	Word Choice	Engagement
171.	<del>can</del> → could	Faulty Tense Sequence	Correctness
172.	<del>Publie</del> → Public	Misspelled Words	Correctness
173.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
174.	<del>managerial</del> → administrative	Word Choice	Engagement
175.	<del>ability</del> → capacity, expertise	Word Choice	Engagement
176.	<del>connection</del> → context, relationship, link	Word Choice	Engagement
177.	↑ <i>Conversely...</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
178.	<del>connection</del> → context, relationship, link	Word Choice	Engagement

179.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
180.	<del>connection</del> → context, relationship, link	Word Choice	Engagement
181.	<del>connections</del> → relationships	Word Choice	Engagement
182.	<i>This</i>	Intricate Text	Clarity
183.	, and	Comma Misuse within Clauses	Correctness
184.	<i>terhadap</i>	Unknown Words	Correctness
185.	, and	Punctuation in Compound/Complex Sentences	Correctness
186.	<del>Pacific Basin</del> → Pacific-Basin	Misspelled Words	Correctness
187.	<del>ed</del> → Ed	Improper Formatting	Correctness
188.	<i>terhadap</i>	Unknown Words	Correctness
189.	<del>Indoneisa</del> → Indonesia	Misspelled Words	Correctness
190.	, and	Comma Misuse within Clauses	Correctness
191.	<del>Harmonised</del> → Harmonized	Mixed Dialects of English	Correctness