

## ABSTRACT

*The purpose of research is to analyze the effect of corporate governance (proxied using board of directors meetings, audit committee meetings, institutional ownership and CEO tenure) on profitability (proxied by ROA) with leverage using the proxy debt equity ratio (DER) as the mediating variable.*

*The sample used in this research is all manufacturing companies listed in Indonesia Stock Exchange 2014-2018 period. Purposive sampling is choosed as the sampling technique so that the sample obtained by 15 companies. This study employs regression data panel to test the relationship between corporate governance variables, leverage and profitability.*

*The result of this study implies that leverage can mediate the effect of audit committee meetings and ownership institutional to profitability. Meanwhile, the effect of board directors and CEO tenure on profitability cannot be mediated by leverage.*

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