

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The effect of subhypnoic doses of propofol and midazolam to prevent nausea and vomiting during spinal anesthesia for Elective caesarean section

Protocol summary

Summary

Nausea and vomiting during spinal anesthesia for cesarean section is a minor side effect, but can cause patients discomfort and lead to major complication that may cause long time patient recovery and hospitalization. This study is intended to compare the preventive and therapeutic effects of subhypnotic doses of midazolam and propofol on the incidence and severity of intraoperative nausea and vomiting during elective cesarean section under spinal anesthesia. After delivery, most of the patients under cesarean with spinal anesthesia, require sedation, so in addition to reducing nausea and vomiting, we can also reach to this purpose with administration of these drugs. In this randomized, double-blinded, placebo-controlled study, 90 ASA physical status I and II, parturients, undergoing spinal anesthesia for elective cesarean section are randomly allocated to one of three groups to receive placebo (saline n=30), propofol (20 mg bolus and 1.0 mg/kg/h, n=30) and midazolam (1 mg bolus and 1.0 mg/h, n=30) at subhypnotic doses intravenously (IV) immediately after clamping of the umbilical cord. A person who is blinded to the drugs, evaluate the intensity of nausea and vomiting and sedation via the Bellville score system and modified Ramsay sedation scoring respectively. Blood pressures are monitored and recorded. All data and also total ephedrine consumption will be recorded and analyzed.

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Registrant information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Women's Reproductive Health Research Center, Tabriz University of Medical Sciences

Expected recruitment start date

2011-03-20, 1389/12/29

Expected recruitment end date

2012-03-19, 1390/12/29

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The effect of subhypnoic doses of propofol and midazolam to prevent nausea and vomiting during spinal anesthesia for Elective caesarean section

Public title

effect of low dose propofol and midazolam to prevent nausea and vomiting during caesarean section

Purpose

Prevention

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Elective cesarean, physical status of class ASA 1 and 2, age 20-30 years
Exclusion criteria: Gastrointestinal disease, history of management with anti emetic drugs in the past 24 h, patients who spinal anesthesia has contraindication

Age

From **20 years** old to **30 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

0

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **90**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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2007-08-01, 1386/05/10

Ethics committee reference number

8662

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

nausea and vomiting during cesarean section under spinal anesthesia

ICD-10 code

O74.6

ICD-10 code description

Other complications of spinal and epidural anaesthesia during labour and delivery

Primary outcomes

1

Description

nausea and vomiting

Timepoint

after spinal anesthesia until 6 h

Method of measurement

the intensity of nausea and vomiting with Bellville score

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

blood pressure

Timepoint

the baseline of BP, after spinal anesthesia every 2
minute until 15 min, then every 5 min until the end of
operation

Method of measurement

noninvasive by new tech monitoring set

2

Description

Sedation

Timepoint

In the end of operation

Method of measurement

With using of Modified Ramcy sedation scoring

3

Description

Total ephedrine consumption

Timepoint

In the end of operation

Method of measurement

Ephedrine consumption (mg)

Intervention groups

1

Description

In group 1 or placebo(Control) postdelivery, first normal saline iv injected, then infusion of Normal saline establish until the end of surgery.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

In group 2 or Intervention post delivery, first propofol 20 mg intravenous injected, then infusion of propofol 1 mg/kg/h established until the end of surgery.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

3

Description

In group 3 or Midazolam post delivery, Midazolam 1 mg bulos intravenous injected, then infusion of Midazolam 1 mg/kg/h established until the end of surgery.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

1

Recruitment center

Name of recruitment center

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Sponsors / Funding sources

1

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Grant name

Grant code / Reference number

Is the source of funding the same sponsor organization/entity?

Yes

Title of funding source

Women's Reproductive Health Research Center, Tabriz University of Medical Sciences

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

empty

Domestic or foreign origin

empty

Category of foreign source of funding

empty

Country of origin

Type of organization providing the funding

empty

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

empty

Study Protocol

empty

Statistical Analysis Plan

empty

Informed Consent Form

empty

Clinical Study Report

empty

Analytic Code

empty

Data Dictionary

empty