

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The effect of crocin on inflammation factors, DNA damage and biomarkers of oxidative injury in the blood of patients with multiple sclerosis

Protocol summary

Summary

The purpose of this study is evaluation the effect of crocin on inflammatory markers, oxidative damage and DNA damage in the blood of people with multiple sclerosis. Multiple sclerosis is an autoimmune disease in which the immune system attacks the nerve cells that result in nerve demyelination cause neurological disorder. Oxidative stress, free radicals and neuritis have an important role in pathogenesis of the disease. In this study that is done randomly on 40 outpatients in Farshchian hospital of Hamedan. The outpatients divide into 2 groups; the drug group and Placebo group. In the drug group patients will receive two crocin capsules per day for 28 days. The control group will receive two placebo per day, too. After one month of intervention we will measure thiol groups lipid peroxidation, total antioxidant capacity, DNA damage, IL-17, TNF-a in serum of MS patients.

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT2016092713194N2**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Vice chancellor for research, Hamedan University of Medical Sciences

Expected recruitment start date

2017-05-05, 1396/02/15

Expected recruitment end date

2017-07-14, 1396/04/23

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The effect of crocin on inflammation factors, DNA damage and biomarkers of oxidative injury in the blood of patients with multiple sclerosis

Public title

The effect of crocin on MS

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

inclusion criteria: Recently diagnosed relapsing-remitting MS patients; Patients between 20-40 years old exclusion criteria: Receiving immunomodulatory drugs such as interferons; Diabetes; Chronic disease like cardiac, liver or kidney disease; Smoking; Pregnancy and lactation; EDSS>4; Any rheumatologic disease or vasculitis; History of hypersensitivity to saffron

Age

From **20 years** old to **40 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **40**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description**Blinding (investigator's opinion)**

Single blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

Ethics committees**1****Ethics committee****Name of ethics committee**

Ethics committee of Hamedan University of Medical Sciences

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2016-08-18, 1395/05/28

Ethics committee reference number

IR.UMSHA.REC.1395.246

Health conditions studied**1****Description of health condition studied**

Multiple sclerosis

ICD-10 code

G35

ICD-10 code description

Multiple sclerosis (of): NOS brain stem cord disseminated generalized

Primary outcomes**1****Description**

IL-17

Timepoint

first week and fourth week

Method of measurement

ELISA

2**Description**

TNF-a

Timepoint

first week and fourth week

Method of measurement

ELISA

3**Description**

DNA damage

Timepoint

first week and fourth week

Method of measurement

ELISA

4**Description**

Lipid peroxidation

Timepoint

first week and fourth week

Method of measurement

ELISA

5**Description**

Total antioxidant capacity

Timepoint

first week and fourth week

Method of measurement

spectrophotometry

6**Description**

Thiol groups

Timepoint

first week and fourth week

Method of measurement

Spectrophotometry

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups**1****Description**

Intervention group: Patients receiving 30 mg of crocin twice daily.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: patients receiving placebo twice daily.

Category

Placebo

Recruitment centers

1

Recruitment center

Name of recruitment center

Farshchian Hospital of Hamedan

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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

Hamedan 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)

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Study Protocol
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Statistical Analysis Plan
empty
Informed Consent Form
empty

Clinical Study Report
empty
Analytic Code
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Data Dictionary
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