

Clinical Trial Protocol

Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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The effect of folic acid on homocysteine and plasma insulin levels in weight gain and obesity in children and adolescents

Protocol summary

Summary

To determine the effect of folic acid on homocysteine levels and plasma insulin in children and adolescents with weight gain and obesity, single-center, phase 3 trial
2) Participant: Inclusion criteria: children and adolescents with a body mass index above the eighty-fifth percent for age and sex. Exclusion criteria: obesity due to genetic syndrome, obesity, endocrine disorders such as hypothyroidism and Cushing; children who are on a diet to lose weight, catching any diseases that affect the homocysteine levels such as kidney and liver disease, children who are using supplements
3) Population: 60 patients divide in case and control
4) Interventions: intervention group will be used of folic acid 1 mg daily in first group and the second group received 5 mg daily and the control group do not take drugs
5) Comparison: Six months
6) Outcome: reduction of independent risk factor for cardiovascular

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT2014020116435N1**
Registration date: **2014-05-23, 1393/03/02**
Registration timing: **registered_while_recruiting**

Last update:

Update count: **0**

Registration date

2014-05-23, 1393/03/02

Registrant information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Shahrekord University of Medical Sciences

Expected recruitment start date

2014-03-21, 1393/01/01

Expected recruitment end date

2014-09-23, 1393/07/01

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The effect of folic acid on homocysteine and plasma insulin levels in weight gain and obesity in children and adolescents

Public title

The effect of folic acid on homocysteine and plasma insulin levels in weight gain and obesity in children and adolescents

Purpose

Diagnostic

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: children and adolescents with a body mass index above the eighty-fifth percent for age and sex
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Age

From **5 years** old to **12 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **60**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

N/A

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

Not blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

Ethics Committee of Shahrekord University of Medical Sciences

Street address

Shahrekord, Shahrekord University of Medical Sciences

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Postal code**Approval date**

2012-02-26, 1390/12/07

Ethics committee reference number

12-11-90

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

obesity

ICD-10 code

E66.0

ICD-10 code description

Obesity due to excess calories

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

Decrease of cardiovascular factor

Timepoint

6 months latter

Method of measurement

sampling

Secondary outcomes

empty

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

The first group acid folic tablet 1mg receive.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2**Description**

The second group acid folic tablet 5mg daily receive.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

3**Description**

Third group served as controls and do not take drugs.

Category

Placebo

Recruitment centers**1****Recruitment center****Name of recruitment center**

Pediatric Endocrinology Clinic of Shahrekord

Full name of responsible person

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Sponsors / Funding sources**1****Sponsor****Name of organization / entity**

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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
Vice chancellor for research of Shahrekord 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

Person responsible for general inquiries

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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

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Informed Consent Form

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Clinical Study Report

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Analytic Code

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Data Dictionary

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