

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Assessment of effect of Product of Melissa officinalis on improvement of 18-50 years old Female sexual desire

Protocol summary

Summary

Objective: the effect of Product of Melissa officinalis on improvement Female sexual desire. Design: This study is a randomized double-blind placebo-controlled. Blindness has been done for Groups of patients and researchers. Inclusion criteria: women aged 18-50 years diagnosed with low sexual desire to have emotionally satisfying relationship with constant wife sexually active. Exclusion criteria: Impaired emotionally satisfying relationship with wife. Target sample size: 38. Intervention: capsule contained 500 mg lemon balm extract. Intervention time: 2 times a day, every time 2 capsules after breakfast, dinner used for 4 weeks. Primary outcome: sexual desire

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT2014021516580N1**
Registration date: **2014-06-27, 1393/04/06**
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Last update:

Update count: **0**

Registration date

2014-06-27, 1393/04/06

Registrant information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Vice Chancellor for research of Shahed University of Medical Sciences

Expected recruitment start date

2014-07-01, 1393/04/10

Expected recruitment end date

2015-10-25, 1394/08/03

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Assessment of effect of Product of Melissa officinalis on improvement of 18-50 years old Female sexual desire

Public title

The effect of Melissa officinalis on Female sexual desire

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria : Women ages 18-50 years; Diagnosis low sexual desire by using the FSFI (Female Sexual Function Index); Emotionally satisfying relationship with constant wife sexually active at least one year; Having sex at least once a month; Lack of pregnancy and lactation; No menstruation retard for 2 months and more ; Normal genital examination. Exclusion criteria : Impaired emotionally satisfying relationship with wife ; Adding another partner in the study period; Any organic disease, anatomical and hormonal that exist in history and past medical history, including : diabetes , cerebrovascular disease , liver and kidney damage , heart disease , hypothyroidism, cancer; Psychiatric disorders who are under medical treatment; Smoking , alcohol , drug abuse; Use of any chemical and herbal

medications that affect sexual desire.

Age

From **18 years** old to **50 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **38**

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

Committee for Medical Research Ethics shahed university

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Opposite of Imam Khomeiny Shrine

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Approval date

2014-03-03, 1392/12/12

Ethics committee reference number

195148/41

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

female sexual dysfunction

ICD-10 code

F52.0

ICD-10 code description

Sexual dysfunction, not caused by organic disorder or disease

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Sexual desire

Timepoint

Baseline, 4 and 8 weeks after starting the medication

Method of measurement

Questionnaire Female Sexual Function Index

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Sexual arousal

Timepoint

Baseline, 4 and 8 weeks after starting the medication

Method of measurement

Questionnaire Female Sexual Function Index

2

Description

Sexual Satisfaction

Timepoint

Baseline, 4 and 8 weeks after starting the medication

Method of measurement

Questionnaire Female Sexual Function Index

3

Description

Obvious distress caused by sexual dysfunction

Timepoint

Baseline, 4 and 8 weeks after starting the medication

Method of measurement

Question of patients

4

Description

Painful intercourse.

Timepoint

Baseline, 4 and 8 weeks after starting the medication

Method of measurement

Questionnaire Female Sexual Function Index

5

Description

Moisture of genitalia

Timepoint

Baseline, 4 and 8 weeks after starting the medication

Method of measurement

Questionnaire Female Sexual Function Index

6

Description

Increased frequency of sexual intercourse.

Timepoint

Baseline, 4 and 8 weeks after starting the medication

Method of measurement

Question of patients

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group, capsule contained 500 mg lemon balm extract, 2 times a day, every time 2 capsules after breakfast, dinner used for 4 weeks.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group, capsule contained 500 mg starch , 2 times a day, every time 2 capsules after breakfast, dinner used for 4 weeks.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

1

Recruitment center

Name of recruitment center

Mostafa Khomeiny hospital

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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

Vice chancellor for research of Shahed 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

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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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