

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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### The effect of Quercetin and Tannic acid on the treatment of phlebitis caused by venous catheters

#### Protocol summary

##### Summary

This randomized, single-blind placebo controlled clinical trial will be performed on 120 patients hospitalized with peripheral venous catheters in the internal ward of Vali-Asr Hospital, Birjand. The participants will be selected by convenience sampling and then randomly allocated to Quercetin, Tannic acid, combination or vehicle controlled groups (n=30 per group). The inclusion criteria will include having an IV catheter; age between 18 to 60 years; hospitalization in the internal ward for at least 72 hours; insensitivity to wound glue or medication; lack of skin diseases in the area of phlebitis; having at least one of the phlebitis symptoms (pain, redness, irritation). Exclusion criterion is discharge time of less than three days. Upon phlebitis onset, the peripheral catheter will be removed and posited in another place. Before the intervention, the severity of the phlebitis will be recorded based on a four-degree scale. Accordingly, those with a phlebitis severity from 1 to 3 will be randomly allocated to one of the study groups. The treatment will be carried out for 72 hours in 12-hour intervals in the area of phlebitis. The area will be checked every 12 hours for the presence of symptoms (warmth, redness, pain, or tenderness and swelling) and phlebitis intensity.

#### General information

##### Acronym

##### IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT2015061422738N1**  
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##### Registration date

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#### Recruitment status

##### Recruitment complete

#### Funding source

Birjand University of Medical Sciences

#### Expected recruitment start date

2015-10-23, 1394/08/01

#### Expected recruitment end date

2016-03-20, 1395/01/01

#### Actual recruitment start date

empty

#### Actual recruitment end date

empty

#### Trial completion date

empty

#### Scientific title

The effect of Quercetin and Tannic acid on the treatment of phlebitis caused by venous catheters

#### Public title

The Effect of Phytochemicals on the treatment of Phlebitis

#### Purpose

Treatment

#### Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: having an IV catheter, gauge No. 20 (with all catheters of an essentially single brand), age between 18-60 years old, hospitalization in the internal medicine ward for at least 72 hours, no allergy to the

drugs and the wound dressing, lack of blood transfusion, systolic blood pressure between 90 to 180 mmHg, no diabetes, no skin disease in the area of phlebitis, no pregnancy or lactation, having at least one phlebitis symptom (pain, redness, irritation) around the area, no chemical or herbal oil use for treatment of the phlebitis during the study, no history of allergy to the plants containing Quercetin or Tannic acid, using upper limbs for catheterization, using aseptic conditions for catheterization Exclusion criteria: patients discharged before three days, taking contraceptive drugs, patients with known comorbidities including hyper-coagulability states (e.g., anti-cardiolipin antibodies, anti-phospholipid antibodies, and vitamin C deficiency)

**Age**

From **18 years** old to **60 years** old

**Gender**

Both

**Phase**

N/A

**Groups that have been masked**

*No information*

**Sample size**

Target sample size: **120**

**Randomization (investigator's opinion)**

Randomized

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

Single blinded

**Blinding description****Placebo**

Used

**Assignment**

Factorial

**Other design features****Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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2015-06-08, 1394/03/18

**Ethics committee reference number**

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

phlebitis

**ICD-10 code**

T80.1

**ICD-10 code description**

Vascular complications following infusion, transfusion and therapeutic injection

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

phlebitis

**Timepoint**

Before and 12 hours after treatment for 72 hours

**Method of measurement**

4 degree visual phlebitis scale

**Secondary outcomes****1****Description**

Dermal side effects

**Timepoint**

12 hours for 72 hours

**Method of measurement**

Observation

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

Use of Placebo (cream base) in the control group for 72 hours in 12-hour intervals in the area of phlebitis

**Category**

Placebo

**2****Description**

Use of Tannic acid 7% in intervention group for 72 hours in 12-hour intervals in the area of phlebitis

**Category**

Treatment - Drugs

**3****Description**

Use of Quercetin 2% in intervention group for 72 hours in 12-hour intervals in the area of phlebitis

**Category**

Treatment - Drugs

**4****Description**

Use the combination of Quercetin 2% and Tannic acid %7

in an intervention group for 72 hours in 12-hour intervals in the area of phlebitis

**Category**

Treatment - Drugs

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**1**

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

Yes

**Title of funding source**

Deputy of Research and Technology, Birjand 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**

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**Study Protocol**

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**Statistical Analysis Plan**

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**Clinical Study Report**

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**Analytic Code**

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**Data Dictionary**

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