

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The Study on the Effects of Pimpinella anisum compared to placebo on severity of Pre Menstrual Syndrome (PMS) signs among college students

Protocol summary

Summary

This double-blind randomized clinical trial will be conducted to assess the effect of Pimpinella anisum on premenstrual symptoms. The study population comprise 84 female students having premenstrual symptoms according to PSST (Premenstrual Symptoms Screening Tool) questionnaire and satisfied the inclusion criteria. The participants will be randomly assigned into Pimpinella anisum or placebo group. The participants in the intervention group will receive Pimpinella anisum capsule while participants in the control group will receive placebo with the same dosage. The outcome measures in this study are premenstrual symptoms, as obtained through the PSST questionnaire before and during the intervention. At the end of the study, two premenstrual syndrome sign scores will be obtained for every participant (1 before intervention to recognize the eligible samples and after 2 cycle intervention).

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment complete

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Expected recruitment start date

2016-04-03, 1395/01/15

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Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

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Scientific title

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Public title

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Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: age 18-35 years; having regular menstrual cycles; experience of PMS symptoms; not smoking; alcohol or drug usage; willingness to participate in the study; completed a written informed consent. Exclusion criteria: pregnancy; lactation; menstrual cycle irregularity; medical disease; hormonal method of contraception; developing tensions and severe psychological crisis within the past 6 months.

Age

From **18 years** old to **35 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **84**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

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

Double blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

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

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2010-09-23, 1389/07/01

Ethics committee reference number

IR.TUMS.REC.1394.59

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

Premenstrual Syndrome

ICD-10 code

N94.3

ICD-10 code description

Premenstrual tension syndrome

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

Premenstrual syndrome severity

Timepoint

monthly

Method of measurement

Premenstrual Symptoms Screening Tool (PSST) questionnaire

Secondary outcomes

empty

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

Oral administration of 110 mg Pimpinella anisum capsule for 2 menstrual cycle 3 times a day

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2**Description**

Placebo capsules had 110mg starch with the same shape for 2 menstrual cycle 3 times a day

Category

Placebo

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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

Tehran 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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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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