

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The effect of vitamin D on severity of primary dysmenorrhea and amount of menstrual bleeding compared with placebo in students living in dormitories of Tehran University of Medical Sciences: Randomized, Double-blind, clinical trial

Protocol summary

Summary

Objectives: The aim of this study is to evaluate the effect of cholecalciferol on the severity of primary dysmenorrhea and amount of menstrual bleeding.

Design: This study is a randomized, double-blind, clinical trial. **Participants:** Eighty single students aged 18 to 25 years with primary dysmenorrhea and 25(OH)D serum level < 30 ng/ml and normal serum calcium will be enrolled in this study. **Setting and conduct:** Eligible students from two dorms of Tehran University of Medical Sciences will be evaluated for Pain score, severity of primary dysmenorrhea, amount of menstrual bleeding and use of NSAIDs (Non Steroidal Anti Inflammatory Drugs) within 3 cycles (Before intervention and the first and second cycle after intervention). At the end of study 25(OH)D and calcium serum level measured again.

Intervention: 40 participants will be taken oral tablet of cholecalciferol (50000 IU of cholecalciferol 2 tablets every 8 hours) 5 days before the putative beginning of their next menstrual cycle, while another 40 participants receive placebo. **Main outcome:** Pain score, severity of primary dysmenorrhea and amount of menstrual bleeding will measure Before the intervention and the first and Second cycle after intervention. Comparison of results before and after intervention will be performed

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT201305212324N9**

Registration date: **2014-01-18, 1392/10/28**

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Last update:

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

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Expected recruitment start date

2013-09-23, 1392/07/01

Expected recruitment end date

2013-12-22, 1392/10/01

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The effect of vitamin D on severity of primary dysmenorrhea and amount of menstrual bleeding compared with placebo in students living in dormitories of Tehran University of Medical Sciences: Randomized,

Double-blind, clinical trial	
Public title	The effect of vitamin D on severity of primary dysmenorrhea and amount of menstrual bleeding
Purpose	Treatment
Inclusion/Exclusion criteria	Inclusion criteria: Healthy, iranian and single female students aged 18 to 25 years! With normal menstrual cycles (cycles lasted 21 to 35 days, menstruation lasting 3 to 7 days)! Experienced at least 4 consecutive painful periods in the past 6 months with the pain starting a few hours before or just after the onset of bleeding! No history of underlying disease cause of secondary dysmenorrhea such as: endometriosis and adenomyosis,etc! Don't do any regular exercise! Lack of stressful experiences within 3 months prior! Don't use of oral contraceptives and hormonal drugs within 3 months prior! Taking no medications including calcium and vitamin D within 6 months prior! 25 :(OH)D serum level $\leq$ 30 ng/ml and normal serum calcium! Having no unusual diets (vegetarian diets, special diet)! Don't use of medicines that interact with vitamin D such as: hydantoin and barbiturates,etc! BMI $\leq$ 30! No smoking and alcohol consumption. Exclusion criteria: Lack of menstruation! Married during the study! Use of medications including calcium and vitamin D during the study! Use of oral contraceptives and hormonal drugs during the study !Use of non-pharmacological methods of pain relief !Intense psychological stress during the study! Start exercise during the study !Don't use of supplement or interventions intended !Occurring gastrointestinal disorders after the consumption of supplement (Including vomiting 2 hours after the consumption of supplement !(Unwillingness to continue research.
Age	From 18 years old to 25 years old
Gender	Female
Phase	2-3
Groups that have been masked	No information
Sample size	Target sample size:
Randomization (investigator's opinion)	Randomized
Randomization description	
Blinding (investigator's opinion)	Double blinded
Blinding description	
Placebo	Used
Assignment	Parallel
Other design features	
Secondary Ids	

<u>1</u>	
Registry name	no
Secondary trial Id	no
Registration date	empty
Ethics committees	
<u>1</u>	
Ethics committee	
Name of ethics committee	Ethical commitment of Tehran University of Medical Sciences
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Approval date	2013-09-24, 1392/07/02
Ethics committee reference number	1327/130/92
Health conditions studied	
<u>1</u>	
Description of health condition studied	primary dysmenorrhea
ICD-10 code	N94.4
ICD-10 code description	primary dysmenorrhea
Primary outcomes	
<u>1</u>	
Description	Pain score of primary dysmenorrhea
Timepoint	Before intervention, the first cycle after intervention, the Second cycle after intervention
Method of measurement	visual analog scale (VAS)
<u>2</u>	
Description	Amount of menstrual bleeding
Timepoint	Before intervention, the first cycle after intervention, the Second cycle after intervention
Method of measurement	Pictorial blood loss assessment chart

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Description

Severity of primary dysmenorrhea

Timepoint

Before intervention, the first cycle after intervention, the
Second cycle after intervention

Method of measurement

Verbal multidimensional scoring system (VMS)

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Use of NSAIDs

Timepoint

Before intervention, the first cycle after intervention, the
Second cycle after intervention

Method of measurement

Record sheet of NSAID use

Intervention groups

1

Description

Control group will be received oral tablet of placebo, 2
tablets every 8 hours, 5 days before the putative
beginning of their next menstrual cycle.

Category

Placebo

2

Description

Case group will be received oral tablet of cholecalciferol
(50000 IU of cholecalciferol), 2 tablets every 8 hours, 5
days before the putative beginning of their next
menstrual cycle.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

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, Tehran University of Medical
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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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