

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Effect of Modified Alternate-Day Fasting (ADF) in contrast with Calorie Restriction (CR) on inflammatory index and coagulation factors in metabolic syndrome patients.

Protocol summary

Study aim

The purpose of present study was to investigate and compare the impact of Modified Alternate- Day Fasting versus daily Calorie Restriction on inflammatory index and coagulation factors in patients with metabolic syndrome.

Design

Clinical randomized trial, sham controlled clinical trial with parallel groups

Settings and conduct

Subjects were recruited from the Sediqe- Tahere Heart Center. after classification and matched according to age, sex and BMI, these subjects were randomly divided into two groups. a group of subjects received Modified ADF and another group received Calorie Restriction for 8 weeks. At the beginning and the end of the study outcomes were measured. The energy requirement of each person was calculated by Mifflin equation.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: patients with metabolic syndrome, high BMI, no weight changes more and less than 5% for 3 months, no fasting for 3 months. Exclusion criteria: smoking, history of disease, Use of drugs that affect on inflammation and coagulation

Intervention groups

In Modified ADF group, subjects consumed very low calorie diet (75% energy restriction) during the 3 fast days (Saturday, Monday, Wednesday) and then ate diet that providing 100% of their energy needs on each feed day (3 days a week). In Friday subjects consumed ad libitum without limitation. In Calorie Restriction group, subjects consumed 75% energy needs in each day.

Main outcome variables

inflammatory index (hs- CRP) and coagulation factors (PT, a- PTT, fibrinogen)

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment complete

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Trial completion date

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Scientific title

Effect of Modified Alternate-Day Fasting (ADF) in contrast with Calorie Restriction (CR) on inflammatory index and coagulation factors in metabolic syndrome patients.

Public title

Effect of low calorie diets on inflammation in metabolic syndrome

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

Patients with Metabolic Syndrome Age 25- 60 years $25 \leq \text{BMI} \leq 40$ kg/m² Body weight more than 5 kg has not changed during the last 3 months. No fasting for 3 months prior to the beginning of the study People who are willing to cooperate and answer questions and conduct their tests after explaining the work.

Exclusion criteria:

Smoker History of cardiovascular, pulmonary, renal, thyroid disorders, digestive and liver problems such as hepatitis and ... Follow a special diet Severe physical activity People who have been using drugs that have an effect on weight loss, lipid or glucose metabolism, inflammatory condition and coagulation factors over the past 6 months.

Age

From **25 years** old to **60 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **70**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

All participants were stratified for body mass index (BMI), age and sex, and were randomly assigned to ADF or CR group for 8 weeks. Randomization was performed using by random-generation software.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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Ethics committee reference number

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

metabolic syndrome disease

ICD-10 code

E88.81

ICD-10 code description

Metabolic syndrome

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

serum High- Sensitivity- C- Reactive Protein (Hs- CRP)

Timepoint

Two times, before and after dietary intervention

Method of measurement

Serum hs- CRP concentration was assayed using ELISA kits (LDN, Nordhorn, Germany).

2**Description**

fibrinogen

Timepoint

Two times, before and after dietary intervention

Method of measurement

Fibrinogen was also measured using immunoturbidimetry tests (Pars Azmoon. Co., Iran).

3**Description**

PT (Prothrombine Time)

Timepoint

Two times, before and after dietary intervention

Method of measurement

PT was tested using (PT- based) Prothrombin Clot-Based Assay (sec) method.

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Description

a-PTT (activated limited thromboplastin time)

Timepoint

Two times, before and after dietary intervention

Method of measurement

a- PTT was tested using (PT- based) Prothrombin Clot-Based Assay (sec) method.

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

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Description

During 8-week ADF period, subjects consumed very low calorie diet (75% energy restriction) during the 3 fast days (Saturday, Monday, Wednesday) and then ate diet that providing 100% of their energy needs on each feed day (3 days a week). In Friday subjects consumed ad libitum without limitation. ADF subjects were provided with meals on each fast day (ranging from 400-600 kcal), and consumed ad libitum at home on the feed day. The feed and fast days began at midnight each day, and all fast day meals were consumed between 12.00 pm and 2.00 pm to ensure that each subject was undergoing the same duration of fasting. All foods were prepared in the home. Subjects were permitted to consume calorie-free foods such as water, tea, green tea, coffee without sugar (< 400 mg caffeine per day), non-starchy vegetable (such as lettuce, cucumber, tomato) and sugar free gums on the fast day and were encouraged to drink plenty of water.

Category

Lifestyle

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Description

Control group: In Calorie Restriction group, subjects consumed 75% energy needs in each day for 8 weeks and includes 3 main meals and 2 snacks. All subjects in two groups were required to prepare all of their meals at home. The baseline energy requirements for the subjects were assessed by Mifflin equation. Daily dietary carbohydrate, fat and protein accounted for 52, 30 and 18% of ingested energy, respectively.

Category

Lifestyle

Recruitment centers

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

Yes

Title of funding source

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Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

Public

Domestic or foreign origin

Domestic

Category of foreign source of funding

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Country of origin

Type of organization providing the funding

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Study Protocol

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to

make this available

Informed Consent Form

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

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