

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Effect of the eye care protocol on ocular damage in patients hospitalized in intensive care unit

Protocol summary

Study aim

this study was to identify the effect of an eye care program on the number of eye injuries in hospitalized patients in intensive care units

Design

This research is a clinical trial, conducted on 70 ICU patients who were selected by convenient sampling by random number boxes and assigned study (n=35) and control(n=35) groups by random allocation.

Settings and conduct

This study is hospitalized patients in intensive care units. One group received routine eye care (control group) and the other (test group) received eye care program (cleaning the eye every 8 hours and using simple eye ointment in eye, closing the eyelid with tape and putting a wet pad on the eyes)

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria were patients over 18 years of age with over 24 h on ventilator and GCS of less than 7. In cases of patients death, discharge or transition from ICU, increase in level of consciousness the patient is excluded.

Intervention groups

In control group, routine care including cleaning patients' eyelids with a normal saline gauze. In study group, eyes are cleaning by a normal saline gauze while eyes closed and were dressed by eye ointments used in the lower sack of patients' eye. Then, patients' eyes are fixing by anti allergic transparent tape and covered by a normal saline gauze completely. This care is administrated during each working shift for 7 days for two groups. The patients are assessing concerning corneal injury with fluorescent test once a day in both groups if the patient showed a sign of corneal injury (positive fluorescent test) within 7 days undergoing assessment, and he ordered counseling with an ophthalmologist not only to diagnose the eye injury and its type but also to start relevant treatment .

Main outcome variables

using an eye care program, while taking care of hospitalized patients in intensive care unit is recommended to be an effective method in the prevention of ocular surface disorder.

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Isfahan University of Medical Sciences

Expected recruitment start date

2014-05-31, 1393/03/10

Expected recruitment end date

2014-10-23, 1393/08/01

Actual recruitment start date
empty

Actual recruitment end date
empty

Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Effect of the eye care protocol on ocular damage in patients hospitalized in intensive care unit

Public title
eye care program

Purpose
Prevention

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
patients over 18 years of age over 24hrs on ventilator GCS of less than 7(without consideration of T score) lack of eye blinks reflex disability of keeping eyes closed no ocular injury in fluorescent test no head traumas
Exclusion criteria:
patients death discharge or transition from ICU loss of patient's family's interest to stay in study increase in level of consciousness or return of eye blinks reflex

Age
From **18 years** old to **85 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
Firstly, subjects are selected through convenient sampling, and then, assigned to study and control groups through random allocation and with help of random numbers and case numbers, given to the subjects . It was so that the first number , taken out of the box , defines the subject to be given to control, and the next, the one given to the study group.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo
Not used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids
empty

Ethics committees

1

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2014-05-25, 1393/03/04

Ethics committee reference number
393242

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied
Ocular Surface Disorder

ICD-10 code
H16.0

ICD-10 code description
Corneal ulcer

Primary outcomes

1

Description
eye disorder

Timepoint
Daily for seven sequential days

Method of measurement
With Fluorescent test

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description
In study group, while the eye lids are closed and are cleaned with normal saline gauze, eye ointment (loubratex containing white paraffin, lanolin and liquid paraffin, made by Sina Daroo company) is dropped into the lower eye sack of the patients, and then, the eye lids are closed and fixed by two anti-allergic transparent adherent tapes (horizontally laid on the lower and upper eye lids). Normal saline sterile gauze is laid on patients' eyes so as to cover the eyes completely. Then, these procedures are repeated in each working shift by the researcher and the nurse. In each shift, the assessment

of the return of the patients' blinking reflex is done by the nurse or the researcher during the implementation of the care plan on their eyes.

Category

Prevention

2**Description**

In control group, assessment of patients' blinking reflex and GCS is implemented by a trained nurse and the researcher. Patients also receive routine eye care, administrated in the ward, including cleaning the patients' eye lids with saline normal gauze.

Category

Prevention

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Yes

Title of funding source

Vice Chancellor for Research, Isfahan University of Medical Sciences

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

Public

Domestic or foreign origin

Domestic

Category of foreign source of funding

empty

Country of origin**Type of organization providing the funding**

Academic

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Study Protocol

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Title and more details about the data/document

Total potential data after unidentifiable individuals

When the data will become available and for how long

starting 6 months after publication

To whom data/document is available

Researchers in academic and scientific institutions

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Data can be used for scientific and research studies.

From where data/document is obtainable

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What processes are involved for a request to access data/document

After receiving the request email, data files will be sent
in less than a week.

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