

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Efficacy of Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation(RTMS) on Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI)

Protocol summary

Summary

The aim of this study is to compare the effect of repetitive trans cranial magnetic stimulation (RTMS) and placebo on mild cognitive impairment (MCI). The study is a not blinded, cross over and self-controlled clinical trial. 16 people, including men and women from Firoozgar and Rasool hospitals, affiliated to Iran University of Medical Sciences, who complain of memory impairment will be recruited to the study. The inclusion criteria is mild cognitive impairment based on MMSE(MiniMental Status Examination) and MCA(Montreal Cognitive impairment) tests .Treatable causes of dementia will be excluded from the study . Patients will be divided into two groups .The first group will receive RTMS while second group will receive Placebo. After 8 weeks two groups will be assessed and crossed over. First group will receive placebo and second group will receive RTMS up to 8 weeks. MMSE & MCA will be performed and compared after each 8 weeks. This study will be performed in a five months

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

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Iran University of Medical Sciences

Expected recruitment start date

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Trial completion date

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Scientific title

Efficacy of Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation(RTMS) on Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI)

Public title

Effect of Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation(RTMS) on Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI)

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria : Patients with MCI(mild cognitive impairment) based on complaint of memory impairment with MMSE(mini mental status exam) score of more than 24 / 30 : MCA(Montreal Cognitive Assessment)score of more than 26 / 30. Exclusion criteria : Dementia confirmed with MMSE score of less than 24 /30: MCA score of less than 26 / 30 :Other treatable causes of dementia including serum B12 level below 200 Pg/ml :

hypothyroidism with thyroid stimulating hormone of above 6 uU/ml; any lesion on brain computed tomography scan explaining forgetfulness ; Depression rolled out in the recruited population with Beck screening test 14-28.

Age

No age limit

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: 16

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

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

Not blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Used

Assignment

Crossover

Other design features

We will use Closed Packet in both intervention and control groups.

Secondary Ids

empty

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

Ethics Committee of Iran University of Medical Sciences

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

Mild cognitive disorder

ICD-10 code

F06.7

ICD-10 code description

Mild cognitive disorder

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

Evaluation of change in cognitive function

Timepoint

From one week before intervention & placebo to one week after intervention & placebo

Method of measurement

Questionnaire includes Mini Mental Cognitive Exam and Montreal Cognitive Assessment

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

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Timepoint

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Method of measurement

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

Intervention group 1: 8 patients in this study will be treated with RTMS 2-3 times per week for 8 weeks with every session lasts for 30 minutes. Device for induction of magnitude wave is named Magnature which is made in Denmark .the frequency is above 1 Hz and usually above 10 Hz which has the optimal stimulation effect on postero-lateral prefrontal cortex. Intensity: The intensity is the minimum stimulation which is required to induce contraction of small hand muscles observed by a physician or recorded by an electromyogram. This intensity is usually 100 to 120 percent of resting membrane potential of a neuron. Time of stimulation: 10 seconds. Location of stimulation: left dorsolateral prefrontal cortex which is related to memory. Interval of stimulations: 0.20 seconds. Number of stimulation in every sessions: 1000 Time of every session: 30 minutes Number of sessions: 2-3 sessions per week, up to 8 weeks. The treated group are subsequently treated with placebo for the next 8 sessions via voice without magnitude after mentioned cognitive tests (Mini-Mental State Exam & Montreal Cognitive Assessment) being performed Cognitive tests will be performed for both groups at the end of the last session

Category

Treatment - Devices

2**Description**

Intervention group 2: 8 patients will be initially treated with placebo for 8 weeks via pure voice without real

magnitude wave cognitive tests. Cognitive tests will be performed at the end of the 8th week. The mentioned group will later be treated by real magnitude wave for 8 weeks and mentioned cognitive tests will be repeated

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

vice chancellor for research of Iran University of Medical Science

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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Study Protocol

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Statistical Analysis Plan

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Clinical Study Report

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