

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The evaluation of the effectiveness of a protocol involving whole-body vibration in individuals with delayed-onset muscle soreness after eccentric exercise

Protocol summary

Summary

This study is a single blind, single center, randomized clinical trial. Unaccustomed physical activity, specially eccentric exercise like downhill running, plyometric and strengthening exercises cause pain and irritation after exercise which are generally known as Delayed Onset Muscle Soreness (DOMS). Volunteers which are university students will be randomly allocated in control and intervention groups (each group=26). At the beginning of the first session, height, weight and age will be asked. Students in both groups will walk on the treadmill for 5 minutes with the speed of 3 km/h to warm up. To introduce DOMS, participants will walk on the treadmill for 30 minutes at the speed of 4 km/h and slope will be increased to 10 gradually. Participants in intervention group will receive whole body vibration treatment and control group will walk on the treadmill for 5 more minutes with no grade at the speed of 3 km/h. The outcome measurements are pain, dominant thigh circumference, passive knee ROM and maximum isometric knee extension power which will be measured at the beginning and end of each session and 1,3,7 days later.

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment complete

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2016-10-25, 1395/08/04

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Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The evaluation of the effectiveness of a protocol involving whole-body vibration in individuals with delayed-onset muscle soreness after eccentric exercise

Public title

The effect of vibration on pain relief after exercise

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: male and female students of Shiraz University of Medical Sciences; aged 18-28; with no

history of aerobic and weight training in the past 3 months at least Exclusion criteria: NSAIDS and similar treatments; the history of injuries to the knee; back and neck; the history of surgery in the past one year; having the contraindications for using the whole body vibration; such as: DM; seizure; metabolic and neurological diseases; osteoporosis; RA; prosthesis; irregular bleeding and orthopedic injuries.

Age

From **18 years** old to **28 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **52**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

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

Single blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Not used

Assignment

Single

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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2016-07-17, 1395/04/27

Ethics committee reference number

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

Delayed Onset Muscle Soreness

ICD-10 code

M62.9

ICD-10 code description

Disorder of muscle, unspecified

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

Pain

Timepoint

Immediately, 1,3,7 days later

Method of measurement

VAS, Algometry

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

Dominant thigh circumference

Timepoint

Immdiately, 1,3 and 7 days later

Method of measurement

Tape measure

2**Description**

Passive knee range of motion

Timepoint

Immdiately, 1,3 and 7 days later

Method of measurement

Goniometry

3**Description**

Maximum isometric knee extension

Timepoint

Immdiately, 1,3 and 7 days later

Method of measurement

Dynamometry

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

Intervention group: 1- 5 minutes warm up walking on treadmill at the speed of 3 km/h 2- 30 minutes walking on treadmill to introduce DOMS at the speed of 4 km/h and grade gradually raised to 10 3- 5 minutes cool down walking on treadmill at the speed of 3 km/h 4- treatment with WBV on the next day, participants stand on the plate while knees are bent 60 degrees (for maximum EMG activation of knee extensors) for one minute with the frequency of 30 Hz and Amplitude of 5 mm

Category

Treatment - Devices

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Description

Control group: 1- 5 minutes warm up walking on treadmill at the speed of 3 km/h 2- 30 minutes walking on treadmill to introduce DOMS at the speed of 4 km/h and grade gradually raised to 10 3- 5 minutes cool down walking on treadmill at the speed of 3 km/h

Category

N/A

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

Yes

Title of funding source

Shiraz 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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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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