

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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### Efficacy of Pirfenidone versus placebo in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis progression: a randomized clinical trial

#### Protocol summary

##### Summary

The aim of this study is evaluation of the effect of Pirfenidone in clinical outcome of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF) progression. This is a single center, double-blind randomized phase 2-3 clinical trial. The main inclusion criterion of this study is confirmed IPF by biopsy and the main exclusion criteria are the history of connective tissue disease and deny to participate in this study. We will enroll 40 patients with IPF. Participants will randomly be assigned into intervention and control groups and will receive Pirfenidone (1200 mg daily) and placebo respectively for 3 and 6 months. As the primary outcome of our study, the DLCO and pulmonary function test will be measured before and after the intervention. We will compare the results between groups.

#### General information

##### Acronym

##### IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT2017031333044N1**

Registration date: **2017-07-13, 1396/04/22**

Registration timing: **retrospective**

Last update:

Update count: **0**

##### Registration date

2017-07-13, 1396/04/22

##### Registrant information

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##### Recruitment status

**Recruitment complete**

##### Funding source

Respiratory Diseases Institute, Masih Daneshvar Hospital, Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences

##### Expected recruitment start date

2014-03-20, 1392/12/29

##### Expected recruitment end date

2016-03-19, 1394/12/29

##### Actual recruitment start date

empty

##### Actual recruitment end date

empty

##### Trial completion date

empty

##### Scientific title

Efficacy of Pirfenidone versus placebo in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis progression: a randomized clinical trial

##### Public title

Efficacy of Pirfenidone versus placebo in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis progression: a randomized clinical trial

##### Purpose

Treatment

##### Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: 1-Confirmed Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis with lung biopsy 2-UIP view in lung HRCT with unknown cause base of ATS-ERS criteria 3-Agreement to participate in this study Exclusion criteria: 1-Suffering from connective tissue disease 2-occupational exposure to substances that cause lung fibrosis 3-close contact with animals 4-Deny to participate in this study

##### Age

No age limit

##### Gender

Both

## Phase

2-3

## Groups that have been masked

No information

## Sample size

Target sample size: 40

## Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

## Randomization description

## Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

## Blinding description

## Placebo

Used

## Assignment

Parallel

## Other design features

Participants will randomly be assigned into intervention and control groups by table of random numbers . To reduce the bias, This is a double-blind randomized clinical trial so that patients and investigators not aware about their group.

## Secondary Ids

empty

## Ethics committees

### 1

#### Ethics committee

##### Name of ethics committee

Ethics committee of Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences

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#### Approval date

2015-11-10, 1394/08/19

#### Ethics committee reference number

IR.SBMU.NRITLD.REC.1394.144

## Health conditions studied

### 1

#### Description of health condition studied

Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis

#### ICD-10 code

J84.1

#### ICD-10 code description

Interstitial pulmonary disease, unspecified

## Primary outcomes

### 1

#### Description

Total Lung Capacity

#### Timepoint

Before the intervention, three months after the intervention and six months after intervention

#### Method of measurement

Body box

## Secondary outcomes

### 1

#### Description

Functional Lung Capacity

#### Timepoint

Before the intervention, three months after the intervention and six months after intervention

#### Method of measurement

Body box

### 2

#### Description

SPO2

#### Timepoint

Before the intervention, three months after the intervention and six months after intervention

#### Method of measurement

Body box

### 3

#### Description

DLCO

#### Timepoint

Before the intervention, three months after the intervention and six months after intervention

#### Method of measurement

Body box

## Intervention groups

### 1

#### Description

Intervention group No.1: pirfenidone (PIRFENEX 200 mg manufactured by Cipla Ltd) will be added to their previous medication. The final dosage of pirfenidone is 1200 mg daily. At first, the drug will start at three times a day (600 mg) and will gradually be given at a dose of 400 mg 3 times a day (1200 mg) over a period of 2 weeks. All patients will be received anti-acid secretion, such as proton pumps inhibitors, Also they should use a sunscreen with spf> = 50.

#### Category

Treatment - Drugs

### 2

#### Description

Intervention group No.2: Placebo will be added to previous medication of these patients

#### Category

Placebo

## Recruitment centers

1

### Recruitment center

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Masih Daneshvari Hospital

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Darabad Avenue, Shahid Bahonar roundabout

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## Sponsors / Funding sources

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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, Shahid Behesti 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**

*empty*

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## Sharing plan

**Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)**

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**Study Protocol**

*empty*

**Statistical Analysis Plan**

*empty*

**Informed Consent Form**

*empty*

**Clinical Study Report**

*empty*

**Analytic Code**

*empty*

**Data Dictionary**

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