

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The effects of oxytocin and human chorionic gonadotropin in clomiphene citrate resistant polycystic ovary syndrome patients

Protocol summary

Study aim

In this study, we decided to determine the effect of oxytocin and Human Chorionic Gonadotropin(HCG) on ovulation and pregnancy.

Design

The randomized double blinded clinical trial in three groups of 42 cases with a parallel group was done.

Settings and conduct

Double blind clinical trial was performed on patients referred to infertility center of Shahid Akbar Abadi Hospital in Tehran. patients and doctors were blinded.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Infertile women with chronic ovulation disorder and polycystic ovarian syndrome (based on Rotterdam criteria 2003), who was treated with clomiphene citrate (150 mg) and did not pregnant, age of 19 to 45 years old, Body Mass Index of 27 to 32, at least one of the ovarian tubes with hysterosalpingography is open and no other pelvic pathology, were included in the study.. Any allergy to oxytocin and cardiovascular disease and other causes of infertility were excluded.

Intervention groups

Clomiphene citrate resistant polycystic ovary syndrome patients were studied. The volunteers with the above conditions were randomly assigned to three separate groups. In the first group, Letrozole and human chorionic gonadotropin, in the second group, Letrozole and oxytocin and in the third group, Letrozole and HCG and oxytocin were given. Letrozole (5 mg) was given since second to the fifth day of the menstrual cycle for 5 days, to grow follicles. Then, trans vaginal ultrasonography was performed on thirteenth day of menstrual cycle to measure the dominant follicle size, follicular count and endometrial thickness. In women with a follicle of 18 to 22 mm, to stimulate ovulation, 10-unit of oxytocin and or 5,000-unit HCG were injected.

Main outcome variables

Pregnancy, Abortion, Multiple pregnancy, Dominant Follicle Size, Follicle Count, Endometrial Thickness were

analysed.

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment complete

Funding source

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Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The effects of oxytocin and human chorionic gonadotropin in clomiphene citrate resistant polycystic ovary syndrome patients

Public title

The effects of Oxytocin on Ovulation and Pregnancy

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Clomiphene citrate resistant polycystic ovary syndrome patients 19 - 45 years old At least one ovarian tube is open in HSG Normal Semen analysis of husband No other pelvic pathology

Exclusion criteria:

Hypersensitivity to Oxytocin History of Cardiovascular disease Use of anti hypertensive drug blood pressure lower than 60/90 abnormal spermogram hyperprolactinoma anatomical disorder of uterus and tubal factor karyotype disorder

Age

From **19 years** old to **45 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

2

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Care provider
- Investigator

Sample size

Target sample size: **126**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

In this study, after determining the sample size, Patients were randomly assigned to one of three groups using stratified randomization. Allocation Concealment was performed by sealed envelopes.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

In this study, a plan was first described for the patient. The patient, the researcher and the physician did not know the group. For each treatment, the code was assigned and placed in an envelope and then put in a box, randomly. The agent who conducted the randomization process, did not engage with other steps.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary IDs

empty

Ethics committees

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Health conditions studied

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Description of health condition studied

Polycystic ovarian syndrome

ICD-10 code

E28.2

ICD-10 code description

Polycystic ovarian syndrome

Primary outcomes

1

Description

pregnancy percentage

Timepoint

pregnancy test and sonography after induction of ovulation

Method of measurement

serum beta HCG

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group 1: Letrozole (5 mg) was given since second to the fifth day of the menstrual cycle for 5 days, to grow follicles. Then, trans vaginal ultrasonography was performed on thirteenth day of menstrual cycle to measure the dominant follicle size, follicular count and endometrial thickness. In women with a follicle of 18 to 22 mm, to stimulate ovulation, 10-unit of oxytocin were injected. Then participants were examined for pregnancy

(biochemical or clinical) and abortion and multiple pregnancies

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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Description

Intervention group 2: Letrozole (5 mg) was given since second to the fifth day of the menstrual cycle for 5 days, to grow follicles. Then, transvaginal ultrasonography was performed on thirteenth day of menstrual cycle to measure the dominant follicle size, follicular count and endometrial thickness. In women with a follicle of 18 to 22 mm, to stimulate ovulation, 5,000-unit HCG were injected. Then participants were examined for pregnancy (biochemical or clinical) and abortion and multiple pregnancies

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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Description

Intervention group 3: Letrozole (5 mg) was given since second to the fifth day of the menstrual cycle for 5 days, to grow follicles. Then, transvaginal ultrasonography was performed on thirteenth day of menstrual cycle to measure the dominant follicle size, follicular count and endometrial thickness. In women with a follicle of 18 to 22 mm, to stimulate ovulation, 10-unit of oxytocin and 5,000-unit HCG were injected. Then participants were examined for pregnancy (biochemical or clinical) and abortion and multiple pregnancies

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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

Yes

Title of funding source

Iran 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)

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

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Data Dictionary

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