

Clinical Trial Protocol

Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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Comparison Atomoxetine Versus Ritalin in pediatric outpatients with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder

Protocol summary

Study aim

treatment with efficient drugs for the disorder

Design

patient doesn't know about which drugs he or she used but because the forms and shapes of drugs are different maybe they would understand the drug differences. Researcher knows which drugs are used for patients. Patients are divided into 2 groups randomly

Settings and conduct

Yahyanejad hospital clinic, Babol University of Medical Sciences. ADHD-RS questionnaire or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder rating scale is a questionnaire which has 18 questions used for a measurement of ADHD recovery in different studies. Time for filling out the questionnaire is about 5 minutes. Psychologist asks questions from children and then completes the form of questionnaire and rates the answers.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

pediatric outpatients with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. Inclusion criteria: ADHD disorder (all types) was diagnosed on the basis of attention deficit-hyperactivity DSM-V system criteria, pediatric; patients with ADHD diagnosis who were maltreated, patient don't suffer from hepatic, cardiac, renal or chronic diseases which have required special care; patients haven't used MAOI drugs during recent 15 days. Exclusion criteria: eating disorders; substance use disorders; psychiatric disorders such as tic, mental, pervasive developmental disorders, personal or familial history of Tourette syndrome; seizure; history of Hyperthyroidism, glaucoma; using of drugs that are contraindicated with Ritalin or Atomoxetine; patients with history of no response to prior medications of ADHD; occurrence of menstruation in girls.

Intervention groups

Group 1: 30 patients receive Ritalin (Novartis company, Ritalin). Group 2: 30 patients receive Atomoxetine (Abidi company, Stramox).

Main outcome variables

ADHD-RS questionnaire

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

ADHD

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20170606034348N1**

Registration date: **2018-03-14, 1396/12/23**

Registration timing: **retrospective**

Last update: **2018-03-14, 1396/12/23**

Update count: **0**

Registration date

2018-03-14, 1396/12/23

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2016-09-21, 1395/06/31

Expected recruitment end date

2017-09-22, 1396/06/31

Actual recruitment start date

2016-09-21, 1395/06/31

Actual recruitment end date

2017-09-22, 1396/06/31

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Comparison Atomoxetine Versus Ritalin in pediatric outpatients with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder

Public title

Effect of Atomoxetine Versus Ritalin in pediatric outpatients

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

ADHD disorder (all types) was diagnosed on the base of attention deficit-hyperactivity DSM-V system criteria. patients with ADHD diagnosis who were maltreated cardiac, renal or chronic diseases which have required special care. patients haven't used MAOI drugs during recent 15 days

Exclusion criteria:

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Age

From **6 years** old to **14 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

2

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **60**

Actual sample size reached: **60**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

randomly

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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2016-02-28, 1394/12/09

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

attention deficit-hyperactivity disorder

ICD-10 code

F90.9

ICD-10 code description

Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, unspecified type

Primary outcomes

1

Description

ADHD-RS questionnaire

Timepoint

at the end of 4th and 8th weeks after starting treatment

Method of measurement

ADHD-RS questionnaire or attention deficit hyper activity disorder rating scale is a questionnaire which has 18 questions used for a measurement of ADHD recovery in different studies. Time for filling out the questionnaire is about 5 minutes. Psychologist asks questions from children and then completes the form of questionnaire and rates the answers.

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: 30 patients receive Ritalin (Novartis company, Ritalin)

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Intervention group: 30 patients receive Atomoxetine (Abidi company, Stramox)

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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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

Babol 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**

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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

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

No - There is not a plan to make this available