

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Investigation of the effect of concomitant intraarticular and periarticular prolotherapy in comparison to intraarticular prolotherapy in knee osteoarthritis with effusion in Reduce pain and improve function

Protocol summary

Study aim

Further possible improvements in the symptoms of Osteoarthritis in patients after perform intra-Prolotherapy and round-Prolotherapy joint compared with intra-joint alone with using Effusion.

Design

The study population that consist of 40 patients with history of knee joint pain that cause pain and fatigue, performance limitation, that has decreased joint range and cause Osteoarthritis which is detected by simple radiography as a random block (blocks four) are divided into two groups, A and B(20 person in each group), and a double-blind study.

Settings and conduct

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Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Entry conditions: The presence of pain and other clinical symptoms of knee Osteoarthritis in a recent month; Age between 40-70 years; Exit criteria: Diabetes; Rheumatic diseases, Collagen, Vascular, Gout and Lupus; Overlap Radiculopathy; Nerve damage and Neuropathy; Brucella; Body mass index above 42; History of knee joint replacement

Intervention groups

In each injection group performed at 3 points where the pain is most severe. In A group, first, 3 ml of Effusion is drawn intravenous into joint and injection 3ml of drug intra-joint, 3 ml of drug round joint and group B, first, 6 ml of Effusion is drawn, and then 6ml of drug is injected into joint. The drug, mixtures of 3ml of Saline 5%, plus 3ml Lidocaine 2%, plus a recommendation to

observe the correct way of life and exercise proper knee pain that is taught to them. For each group, 3 steps injection take place within 2 weeks.

Main outcome variables

VAS score WOMAC score OKS score

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

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2018-01-10, 1396/10/20

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empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Investigation of the effect of concomitant intraarticular and periarticular prolotherapy in comparison to intraarticular prolotherapy in knee osteoarthritis with effusion in Reduce pain and improve function

Public title

The effect of prolotherapy on knee joint wear with effusion

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

The criteria for entering the study were completing sompleting form of consent, the presence of pain and other clinical symptoms of knee osteoarthritis in the last month

Exclusion criteria:

Exclusion criteria : diabetes, Rheumatic diseases and collagen and vascular disease, gout and lupus, radiculopathy, nerve injury and neuropathy, Brucella infection, BMI> 42, history of knee replacement on the affected side , Bleeding disorder, inability to communicate and complete questionnaires, history of allergy and allergic reaction to used drugs, history of significant liver, kidney and cardiovascular disorders, history of injections inside or around the joint in 3 Last month, pregnant women, people who have cancer, people who are on the go Use of anticoagulants.

Age

From **40 years** old to **70 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size

Target sample size: **40**

More than 1 sample in each individual

Number of samples in each individual: **0**

One knee or both knees can be used in the study.

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Patient with a history of knee pain due to osteoarthritis that causes pain and fatigue, functional limitation, decrease range of motion , which was detected by plain radiography, were randomly divided into two groups: A and B.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Triple blinded

Blinding description

Participants, assessing the outcome and analyzing the data, do not know which patient is in the treatment group and only the patients are known under the names of groups A and B.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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2017-11-06, 1396/08/15

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

Osteoarthritis, effusion, knee, prolotherapy

ICD-10 code

M17

ICD-10 code description

Osteoarthritis of knee

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

People with knee osteoarthritis with effusion

Timepoint

In both groups before and after treatment in weeks 2 and 4 after the last injection

Method of measurement

The standard questionnaire of VAS, WOMAC, OKS, which is one of the most commonly used outcome measures in the treatment of knee osteoarthritis, was completed. VAS

For pain levels, WOMAC is used to check the pain in everyday activities. OKS is also used to assess the amount of pain and the ability to perform various activities.

Secondary outcomes

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Description

Knee pain recovery, improvement of individual performance in life

Timepoint

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Intervention groups

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Description

Intervention group: Intraarticular and periarticular prolotherapy and Intraarticular prolotherapy

Category

Treatment - Other

2

Description

Intervention group: Intra-articular prolotherapy and intra-articular and periarticular prolotherapy

Category

Treatment - Other

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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

Shiraz 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)

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Justification/reason for indecision/not sharing IPD

The forced publication law relates to plans for the year 97. Regarding the fact that our plan will be implemented in year 96, it will be editorial according to the editor's request only if the editor of the journal publishes the paper.

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