

Clinical Trial Protocol

Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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Comparison of the effect of misoprostol and chewing gum on intestinal movements after cesarean delivery

Protocol summary

Study aim

Effects of misoprostol and gum chewing on intestinal motility after cesarean section

Design

This study is a single blind clinical trial.

Settings and conduct

324 pregnant women more than 18 years with single pregnancy candidate cesarean will enter in three intervention groups. The patient is not aware of the intervention type.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: age 18-45 years old; single pregnancy; candidate for elective cesarean section (non-emergency). Exclusion criteria: changing the type of anesthesia to the general; presence of clear peritonitis or sepsis; history of previous bowel surgery; thyroid disease; cardiovascular, blood and liver disease; inflammatory bowel disease; history of chronic constipation; history of misoprostol hypersensitivity; electrolyte imbalance; history of allergy to acetaminophen.

Intervention groups

We prescribe 600 milligram misoprostol rectal in cesarean after delivery placenta. The second group received chewing gum 2 hours after the chewing gum for up to 24 hours each day for 3 hours. The third group received suppository of placebo.

Main outcome variables

Effects of misoprostol and gum chewing on intestinal motility after cesarean section

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2016-09-22, 1395/07/01

Expected recruitment end date

2017-09-23, 1396/07/01

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Comparison of the effect of misoprostol and chewing gum on intestinal movements after cesarean delivery

Public title

Comparison of the effect of misoprostol and chewing gum on intestinal movements after cesarean delivery

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Age: 18-45 years old Single pregnancy pregnancy
Candidate for elective cesarean section (non-emergency)

Exclusion criteria:

Changing the type of anesthesia to the general Presence
of clear peritonitis or sepsis History of previous bowel
surgery Thyroid disease Cardiovascular, blood and liver
disease Inflammatory bowel disease, history of chronic
constipation History of misoprostol hypersensitivity
Electrolyte imbalance History of allergy to
acetaminophen

Age

From **18 years** old to **45 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

2-3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size

Target sample size: **324**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Simple randomization with random numbers

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

Blinding description

The patient is not aware of the treatment received.
Participant is blind.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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2016-08-22, 1395/06/01

Ethics committee reference number

IR.ARAKMU.REC.1395.207

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

Elective cesarean section

ICD-10 code

O82.0

ICD-10 code description

Delivery by elective caesarean section

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

Onset of intestinal movements

Timepoint

6 hours after surgery for 4 hours at intervals every 1
hour

Method of measurement

Hearing

2**Description**

First time the stool is removed after surgery

Timepoint

After surgery

Method of measurement

Observation

3**Description**

Drug side effect

Timepoint

After surgery

Method of measurement

Physical examination

Secondary outcomes

empty

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

Intervention group: we prescribe 600 milligram
misoprostol rectal in cesarean after eject placenta.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2**Description**

Intervention group: The second group received chewing

gum 2 hours after the chewing gum for up to 24 hours each day for 3 hours.

Category

Treatment - Other

3**Description**

Control group: The third group received placebo suppositories.

Category

Placebo

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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

Arak 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)

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Study Protocol

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Title and more details about the data/document

When we publish article in journal.

When the data will become available and for how long

After the article is published

To whom data/document is available

researcher in university

Under which criteria data/document could be used

If there are additional questions

From where data/document is obtainable

Dr Nazila Najdi

What processes are involved for a request to access data/document

They have to write letters to the professors and the university

Comments