

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The effect of hydrocortisone , vitamin C, and thiamine for treatment of patients with septic shock admitted to intensive care unit of Ayatollah Mousavi hospital in Zanjan , in 2017-18

Protocol summary

Study aim

The effect of hydrocortisone, vitamin C, and thiamine for treatment of patients with septic shock admitted to intensive care unit(ICU) of Ayatollah Mousavi hospital in Zanjan between 2017 and 18

Design

Fifty eight patients with diagnosis of septic shock who admitted to intensive care unit (ICU) were divided into intervention and control group with simple randomization method.

Settings and conduct

In addition to routine sepsis treatment protocol,patients with septic shock admitted to intensive care unit of Ayatollah Mousavi hospital in Zanjan were treated by combination of hydrocortisone ,vitamin C and thiamine for 72 hours in intervention group.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Patients with septic shock and equal APACHE II score hospitalized in intensive care unit(ICU) Intubated patients Patients between 18 years and 70 PCT level more than 2 ng/dl Non inclusion criteria: Pregnant patients

Intervention groups

Twenty nine patients with diagnosis of septic shock were treated with intravenous combination of Hydrocortisone, vitamin C, Thiamine for seventy two hours and twenty nine patients in control group treated by standard septic shock treatment guideline.

Main outcome variables

1-procalcitonin level change 2-lactate level change 3-leukocyte Count change 4-SOFA Score change

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

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2018-05-29, 1397/03/08

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Actual recruitment start date

2018-05-29, 1397/03/08

Actual recruitment end date

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Scientific title

The effect of hydrocortisone , vitamin C, and thiamine for treatment of patients with septic shock admitted to

intensive care unit of Ayatollah Mousavi hospital in Zanjan , in 2017-18

Public title

The effect of hydrocortisone, vitamin C, and thiamine for treatment of septic shock

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

All patients with septic shock and the same Acute Physiology, Age, chronic health evaluation II (APACHE II score) admitted to intensive care unit Intubated patients Age between 18 to 70 years Serum pro-calcitonin level \geq 2ng/ml.

Exclusion criteria:

Pregnant patients

Age

From **18 years** old to **70 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **58**

Actual sample size reached: **58**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

In this study patients who met inclusion criteria were divided into intervention and control group by simple randomization method. Fiftyeight patients with diagnosis of septic shock in critical care unit of ayatollah mousavi hospital after matching for demographic data's and Apache 2 Score we're divided into intervention group and control group by randomization with computerized random number tables. This method is one of basic methods for sampling in experimental studies, and frequently is used in studies with a few sample size. For randomization between two groups, random numbers table is used. In this study fiftyeight patients with diagnosis of septic shock in critical care unit of ayatollah mousavi hospital after matching for demographic data's and Apache 2 Score we're divided into intervention group and control group by randomization with computerized random number tables. Fifty eight random numbers were extracted of computer by using random number table and for example 24th sample was set in intervention group and 14th sample was set in control group and this process was performed until end of the study.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

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Ethics committee reference number

IR.ZUMS.REC.1397.041

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Septic shock

ICD-10 code

R65.21

ICD-10 code description

Severe sepsis with septic shock

Primary outcomes

1

Description

The Sequential organ function assessment (SOFA) score: a factor for evaluation of organ function

Timepoint

One day Later-Three days Later

Method of measurement

SOFA table was used to measure the performance of the organs.

2

Description

Serum lactate (a factor for evaluation of Organ perfusion)

Timepoint

One day Later-Three days Later

Method of measurement

Lactate measurement kit was used to measure lactate.

3

Description

WBC count (leukocyte Count as a factor for evaluation of

sepsis progression)

Timepoint

One day Later-Three days Later

Method of measurement

Cell counters were used to measure the number of white blood cells.

4

Description

Need for vasopressors (definition of septic shock is sepsis which requires treatment with vasopressors)

Timepoint

One day later-Three days later

Method of measurement

For measuring the vasopressors, the average pressure is used, the unit is micrograms per minute.

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Description

Serum procalcitonin (indicator of sepsis severity)

Timepoint

One day later-Three days later

Method of measurement

The measure of procalcitonin was VIDAS B.R.A.M.S PCT assay

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: This group has received the assessed combination therapy, including hydrocortisone (50mg/each 6h, intravenously), vitamin C (1.5g/6h in 100ml DW5%, intravenously), and thiamine (200mg/12h in 50ml DW5%, intravenously) in addition to standard septic shock treatment protocols for seventy two hours.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: This group has treated by standard septic shock treatment protocols including antibiotic therapy, prophylaxis of deep venous thrombosis, sedative medications, mechanical ventilation and prescription of vasopressor without additional intervention .

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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1

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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

Zanjan 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)

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

After the end of study, We will share non-identifiable individual data of the participants, the study protocol, the statistical analysis of the data, the informed consent form patients, clinical reports, analysis codes, and data coding systems (data Dictionary).

When the data will become available and for how long

We will share our study results in 2019.

To whom data/document is available

The data from this study will be available to all people who can play a role in caring of septic patients, such as families, and healthcare workers.

Under which criteria data/document could be used

The results of this study will be useful for care providers especially involving in septic patients admitted to

intensive care units.

From where data/document is obtainable

To receive information anyone can be use the following email: jamshidianes@zums.ac.ir

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

we will send the results of our study to the applicants .

Comments