

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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### Effect of Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor on feeding tolerance in preterm infants

#### Protocol summary

##### Study aim

Comparison of Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor and Erythropoietin by gastric gavage on feeding tolerance in preterm infants

##### Design

A clinical trial with an intervention group and a control group with 68 samples, one blind, randomized.

##### Settings and conduct

This study is conducted in the NICU section of the Ayatollah Rouhani Hospital in Babol. These neonatal are divided into two groups (each group of 34 neonate) as follows: When supplementing with the order of the neonatal physician, the supplementary supplement is also prescribed on medical instructions: The first group (intervention) received oral filtration (G-CSF) and the second group (control) received no intervention. The dose of this medicine is as follows: Oral Filtration Oral Ampoule 4/5 micrograms per kg body weight, daily, divided in two steps via gastric gavage. The above medicine starts with intestinal nutrition and is discontinued after a maximum of 10 days. The G-CSF vial is 300 micrograms or 30 million units Neupogen filgrastim) manufactured by Amgen in the Netherlands. Group assignment by random method, which will be determined by the statistician by using computer software pre-defined by the statistician and will be given by the nurse by installing the same labels A and B, and only the infants who are in This patient study is presented for the purpose of acquiring a blinded drug.

##### Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Preterm neonate with a gestational age of less than 32 weeks and a birth-weight less than or equal to 1200 gr

##### Intervention groups

Administration of Oral Filgrastim (G-CSF) in the intervention group to assess the increase in feeding tolerance in preterm infants. control group will not receive any medication

##### Main outcome variables

Primary outcome: incidence of intolerance to nutrition;

time to reach the maximum milk yield. (100 cc/kg/day) (full feed) Secondary outcomes: The time to start weighting; the length of stay in the hospital.

#### General information

##### Reason for update

##### Acronym

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##### IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20180731040650N1**

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Last update: **2019-03-04, 1397/12/13**

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##### Registration date

2019-03-04, 1397/12/13

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##### Recruitment status

**Recruitment complete**

##### Funding source

##### Expected recruitment start date

2018-09-21, 1397/06/30

##### Expected recruitment end date

2019-03-21, 1398/01/01

##### Actual recruitment start date

empty

**Actual recruitment end date**

empty

**Trial completion date**

empty

**Scientific title**

Effect of Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor on feeding tolerance in preterm infants

**Public title**

Effect of Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor on feeding tolerance in preterm infants

**Purpose**

Treatment

**Inclusion/Exclusion criteria****Inclusion criteria:**

Preterm neonate Gestational age of less than 32 weeks  
Birth-weight less than or equal to 1200 gr

**Exclusion criteria:**

Incidence of necrotizing enterocolitis Sepsis Shock  
Intravenous hemorrhage (IVH) Grade 2 Disease that requires an oral medication (except vitamins and supplements) severe and at-risk diseases

**Age**

From **1 day** old to **28 days** old

**Gender**

Both

**Phase**

2

**Groups that have been masked**

- Participant

**Sample size**

Target sample size: **68**

**Randomization (investigator's opinion)**

Randomized

**Randomization description**

The assignment of the groups is randomized, with the prior number of the three groups using the computer software specified by the statistician and given the same labels A, B and C on the envelopes by the nurse, and only the newborns Which are presented in this patient study for the purpose of acquiring a blinded drug; therefore, a blinded one is considered.

**Blinding (investigator's opinion)**

Single blinded

**Blinding description**

Group assignment by random method, which will be determined by the statistician by using computer software pre-defined by the statistician and will be given by the nurse by installing the same labels A and B, and only the infants who are in This patient study is presented for the purpose of acquiring a blinded drug; therefore, a blind spot is considered.

**Placebo**

Not used

**Assignment**

Parallel

**Other design features**

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**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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**Approval date**

2018-09-18, 1397/06/27

**Ethics committee reference number**

IR.MUBABOL.HRI.REC.1397.135

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

Preterm infants

**ICD-10 code**

P07.3

**ICD-10 code description**

Other preterm infants

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

Incidence of intolerance to nutrition

**Timepoint**

Daily

**Method of measurement**

check list

**2****Description**

Time to reach the full feed

**Timepoint**

Daily

**Method of measurement**

check list

**Secondary outcomes****1****Description**

Time to start weighting

**Timepoint**

Time to start weighting

**Method of measurement**

Check list

**2****Description**

Duration of stay in hospital

**Timepoint**

Discharge time

**Method of measurement**

Check list

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

Intervention group 1: Oral filgrastim ingestion starts at 4/5 micro grams per kilogram of body weight, daily, with the onset of intestinal nutrition, and is discontinued after a maximum of 10 days.

**Category**

Treatment - Drugs

**2****Description**

Control group: Infants receive only breast milk at a specified rate.

**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**

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**

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

**Data Dictionary**

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available