

Clinical Trial Protocol

Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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Survey of Back Pain Reduction With and Without Subcutaneous Sterile Water Injection In Women With Active Phase of Labor

Protocol summary

Study aim

Determination of the effect of subcutaneous sterile water injection on reducing back pain of women in active phase of labor

Design

This is a randomized single blind clinical trial. We will have three groups, intervention, control and sham groups. First, the order of these three groups is determined by lottery. From the day of the start of the sampling, the women who will refer to the hospital on the first day will be in the first group. Women in the second day will be in the second group and women on the third day will be in the third group.

Settings and conduct

This study was performed on 90 patients in Afzalipour Kerman hospital in three groups of 30 patients. Intervention group (Injection of 0.5 ml sterile water subcutaneously in 4 site of sacrum), Control group (insertion of needle Without injection of certain material in 4 site of sacrum), Sham group (without needle and injection). The study is done single blind. Women will not be aware of the grouping.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Age 18-35 years, Term pregnancy (38-42 weeks), Singleton live fetus with an approximate weight of more than 2500 grams Exclusion criteria: No informed consent, Any systemic illness

Intervention groups

The intervention group: Injection of 0.5 ml of sterile distilled water subcutaneously into 4 site of sacrum Control group : Insertion of needles without injection of specific material in 4 site of sacrum Sham group: without needle insertion and injection

Main outcome variables

The main outcome of this study is the amount of women's lumbar pain that is expected to be reduced by distilled water. injection.

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20181023041427N1**

Registration date: **2018-12-19, 1397/09/28**

Registration timing: **retrospective**

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Registrant information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2018-12-22, 1397/10/01

Expected recruitment end date

2019-04-20, 1398/01/31

Actual recruitment start date

2018-03-21, 1397/01/01

Actual recruitment end date

2018-08-22, 1397/05/31

Trial completion date

2018-09-22, 1397/06/31

Scientific title

Survey of Back Pain Reduction With and Without Subcutaneous Sterile Water Injection In Women With Active Phase of Labor

Public title

Effect of subcutaneous sterile water injection on back pain of Women with Active Phase of Labor

Purpose

Supportive

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Nulliparous women with an Iranian nationality Women 18-35 years old Term pregnancy (38-42 weeks) Start of uterine contractions and active phase of labor pain in the lower back Singleton live fetus with a weight of over 2500 grams The embryo with anterior occiputa position the absence of sedative drugs, systemic and topical analgesic drugs use up to ninety minutes after intervention

Exclusion criteria:

No Informed consent Any systemic disease associated with pregnancy including diabetes, hypertension, heart diseases, etc., History of narcotic and alcohol consumption, history of psychiatric illness and depression Trauma created during childbirth (when using labor tools such as forceps or vacuum, a large perineal rupture, postpartum hemorrhage, etc.) Any need for emergency intervention for maternal and fetal reasons such as placenta abruption Maternal hospitalization during pregnancy Emergency cesarean delivery for any reason during labor

Age

From **18 years** old to **35 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Participant

Sample size

Target sample size: **90**

Actual sample size reached: **90**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Simple randomization Randomization unit: individual

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

Blinding description

In this study, participants will be blinded.

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

Ethics Committee of Kerman University of Medical Sciences

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2018-02-03, 1396/11/14

Ethics committee reference number

IR.KMU.REC.1396.2183

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Active labor phase

ICD-10 code

ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Labor pain

Timepoint

10, 45 and 90 Minutes after injection

Method of measurement

Visual analog scale

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Injection of 0.5 ml sterile water subcutaneously in 4 site of sacrum

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group : Insertion of needle without injection of certain material in 4 site of sacrum

Category

Placebo

3

Description

Sham group: Without injection

Category

Other

Recruitment centers

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

Kerman 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

Person responsible for general inquiries

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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

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be 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

Not applicable

Title and more details about the data/document

Data will be shared after coding.

When the data will become available and for how long

Access period 6 months after the publishing of results

To whom data/document is available

Researchers working in Universities

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Any redistribution or use of the information is permitted by reference to the source.

From where data/document is obtainable

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

By email and by Presenting valid identification card

Comments