

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of vitamin D levels after oral and intramuscular vitamin D treatment in premature infants with vitamin D deficiency

Protocol summary

Study aim

Choosing the right treatment method to bring the serum vitamin D level to the normal range among preterm neonates

Design

In this study, we have two parallel intervention and control groups that are assigned to treatments by using a block random method using blocks of size 2 (ab and ba). The sample size includes a total of 90 infants, 45 in each group. In this study, the goal is the determination of the effective treatment, therefore, the phase of trial is 3.

Settings and conduct

This study on 90 premature infants will be carried on in NICU at Shahid Akbarabadi hospital in Tehran, Iran. No blinding will be performed in this study.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Premature infants; with vitamin D deficiency. Non-inclusion criteria: Patients who received vitamin D before the study began; infants with malnutrition; neonates with GFR less than 50; newborns with thyroid disorders.

Intervention groups

Intervention group: Receiving vitamin D by injection.
Control group: receiving vitamin D orally.

Main outcome variables

Serum level of Vitamin D

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20160120026115N8**
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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2020-11-21, 1399/09/01

Expected recruitment end date

2022-03-20, 1400/12/29

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Comparison of vitamin D levels after oral and intramuscular vitamin D treatment in premature infants with vitamin D deficiency

Public title

Comparison of Intramuscular and Oral Vitamin D Treatment in Preterm Infants

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

All premature infants in the NICU ward Vitamin D level within the range of deficiency.

Exclusion criteria:

Premature infants who received oral or intravenous administration of vitamin D before the start of the study neonates have a malabsorption disease based on clinical presentation neonates with GFR less than 50 neonates with thyroid disorders

Age

From **14 days** old to **28 days** old

Gender

Both

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **90**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

In Simple Random Sampling, each element of the target community has an equal chance of being selected. In this study, we used the sampling method using Excel software. In this way, the numbers 1 to 91 using the command: = Randbetween (1,91) That Randbetween is a variable function. This command was given to the software and the software randomly places these numbers in a column as a table of random and random numbers. Then the first 45 are assigned to the first treatment and the second 45 to the second treatment. Random numbers are the same as the number of people entering the study, which are as follows: Random samples extracted in the first group: (15, 61,68,6,37,41,76,23,81,43,56,13,35,10,60,12,51,28,4,17, 71,26,65,38,20 , 33,72,87,82,11, 53,1,91,58,44,85,2,75,67,50,70,45,64,79,46) (48,55,62,36,84,39,49,77,69,47,8,34,22,59,5,83,30,66,5 2,27,19,73,42,18,9 , 24,80,78,88,40,3,7,32,25,57,31,54,21,74,14,29,63,86,16, 90) These numbers are such that the people who enter in numbers 15, 61, 68, etc .; To the first treatment and those who enter 48, 55, 62, etc .; Are assigned to the second treatment. Follow-up of patients on the 16th day after administration of the drug by measurement of vitamin D, calcium, phosphorus and serum alkaline phosphatase. Took

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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2018-10-28, 1397/08/06

Ethics committee reference number

IR.IUMS.REC.1397.78

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Vitamin D deficiency

ICD-10 code

E55.9

ICD-10 code description

Vitamin D deficiency, unspecified

Primary outcomes

1

Description

serum level in terms of vitamin D

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and 14 days after treatment

Method of measurement

Lab tests

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Intramuscular injection of vitamin D(injection 15000 units per day single dose)

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: Prescribing oral vitamin D (oral drops of

1000 units, 1ml daily up to 15 Days)
Category
Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

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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
Iran 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

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be 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

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be 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

All data is potentially shareable after making individuals unidentifiable

When the data will become available and for how long

The access period starts one year after the results are published.

To whom data/document is available

Researchers working in academic institutions

Under which criteria data/document could be used

The data are allowed for further studies on this research topic.

From where data/document is obtainable

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

Written request or email

Comments