

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of two methods of double- trigger (GnRHa+HCG) and HCG-trigger on the final oocyte maturation in poor responder patients.

Protocol summary

Study aim

Evaluation and comparison of two Trigger methods, double trigger (HCG + GnRH agonist) and Trigger with HCG on oocyte maturation in patients with poor ovarian response.

Design

In this randomized clinical trial with parallel group design, 90 infertile women with poor ovarian response were divided into two intervention 1 and 2 groups. Participants don't aware of the study grouping.

Settings and conduct

This study is done at Yazd infertility clinic.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Based on the Bologna criteria, poor responder women are included in the study who have two of the following three criteria: Age more than 40 years or other risk factors for poor ovarian response; Less than three oocytes in the previous IVF cycle; Abnormal ovarian reserve test; Two episodes of poor ovarian response with maximal stimulation in previous cycles without other criteria. Exclusion criteria: Severe male factor; Untreated endocrine disorders; Severe uterine anomaly;

Intervention groups

All patients under antagonist protocol receive 250-300 unit recombinant FSH from the second day of menstrual cycle and when dominant follicle size be 13-14 mm, the antagonist (cetrotide or olegalotran ampoule) is started at a dose of 250 µg daily and continues until trigger day. Intervention group 1: In this group Trigger done with 0.2 mg Deca peptil ampoule and 1000unit HCG ampoule 34-40 hours before oocyte retrieval. Intervention group 2: In this group triggers were performed by standard trigger method with 1000 HCG units approximately 36 hours before oocyte retrieval.

Main outcome variables

Follicles number; Number of recovered oocytes; Number of embryos; Pregnancy rate.

General information

Reason for update

type of blinding correction

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2019-09-06, 1398/06/15

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2020-02-09, 1398/11/20

Actual recruitment start date

2019-09-06, 1398/06/15

Actual recruitment end date

2020-02-09, 1398/11/20

Trial completion date

2020-08-22, 1399/06/01

Scientific title

Comparison of two methods of double- trigger (GNRHa+HCG) and HCG-trigger on the final oocyte maturation in poor responder patients.

Public title

Comparison of the oocyte quality in patients with poor ovarian response undergone two triggering methods.

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Age more than 40 years or other risk factors for poor ovarian response. Less than three oocytes in the previous IVF cycle Abnormal ovarian reserve test Two histories of poor ovarian response following receiving maximal stimulation

Exclusion criteria:

Severe male factor Untreated endocrine disorders Severe uterine anomaly

Age

From **18 years** old to **50 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **122**

Actual sample size reached: **90**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

For randomization selection of the patients, through the site www.randomization.ir, we create a list of random numbers for assigning patients to treatment groups (A&B). Then, the number of each patient, which is according to the entrance number to the clinic, is written on the envelope, and the type of treatment that was randomly selected through the mentioned site is put in the envelope. Also, thick envelopes are used in the aim to not be identifiable, the type of treatment for each patient, in the envelope, by the people who make the random assignment of the patient. In this way, each patient, who refer for giving treatment, comes with an envelope containing the type of assigned treatment.

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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2019-07-28, 1398/05/06

Ethics committee reference number

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Infertility

ICD-10 code

N98.9

ICD-10 code description

Complication associated with artificial fertilization, unspecified

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Clinical pregnancy rate

Timepoint

Four weeks after positive beta hCG

Method of measurement

Fetal heart activity by trans-vaginal ultrasonography

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Biochemical pregnancy rate

Timepoint

14 days after embryo transfer

Method of measurement

Positive B-HCG

2

Description

Implantation rate

Timepoint

4 weeks after embryo transfer

Method of measurement

It is defined as the numbers of gestational sacs that detected throughout sonography per number of embryos transferred (100 embryo)

3

Description

Abortion rate

Timepoint

Before 20th weeks of gestation.

Method of measurement

Observation and counting

4

Description

COC counting

Timepoint

The day of oocyte puncture

Method of measurement

Counting

5

Description

MII oocyte number

Timepoint

The day of puncture

Method of measurement

Counting

6

Description

2PN number

Timepoint

1 day after fertilization

Method of measurement

Counting

7

Description

Estradiol level

Timepoint

In the day of hCG injection

Method of measurement

Biochemical measurements in the blood

8

Description

Embryo grading

Timepoint

3 days after puncture

Method of measurement

Observation and grading according to the embryo references

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Intervention group: Trigger with 0.2 mg deca peptil ampoule and 10000 HCG ampoule 40 and 34 hours before oocyte retrieval.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Intervention group: Trigger by standard method with 10000units HCG 36 hours before oocyte retrieval.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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

Yazd 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

All data obtained from this study will be released after being unidentified studies participants

When the data will become available and for how long

Get started 6 months after publishing the study results

To whom data/document is available

The findings of this study will be accessible for all individuals

Under which criteria data/document could be used

To improve pregnancy outcomes of the infertility centers

From where data/document is obtainable

Yazd Research and Clinical Center for Infertility
What processes are involved for a request to access data/document

Receiving the author's confirmation and obtaining approval from the director of the Yazd Infertility Clinic
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