

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of the Effect of Phenylephrine Prophylactic Infusion with Placebo Group on Hypertension and Nausea and Vomiting of Pregnant Women During Cesarean Section Under Spinal Anesthesia

Protocol summary

Study aim

Determination of the Effect of Phenylephrine Infusion on Maternal Hemodynamic Changes during Spinal Anesthesia for Cesarean Delivery

Design

A randomized, placebo-controlled, parallel, double-blind clinical trial, 116 samples, phase 3

Settings and conduct

This study was a double-blind randomized controlled trial that conducted on 116 pregnant women candidate for elective cesarean section by spinal anesthesia in Shahid Akbarabadi hospital (Tehran) in 2019

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: pregnant woman 18-45 years, candidate for cesarean section by spinal anesthesia, ASA1 & 2 and elective cesarean section. exclusion criteria: a history of allergy to phenylephrine, BMI>30 Kg/M2, hypertension (>140/90 mmHg), contraindication for spinal anesthesia, severe cardiovascular disease, prematurity, emergency cesarean section and inadequate analgesia after spinal anesthesia.

Intervention groups

In the intervention group, 35 µg / kg phenylephrine was injected. Spinal anesthesia was performed with 12 mg bupivacaine 0.6% in a sitting position in the L3-L4 or L5-L4 space using the G25 spinal needle. After anesthesia, the patient was placed in the retina position with a slight displacement of the uterus to prevent uterine pressure on the aorta and vena cava. By the time of the baby's birth, blood pressure is measured every two minutes.

Main outcome variables

systolic blood pressure, diastolic blood pressure, heart rate

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20191007045023N1**
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Registration date

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2019-01-01, 1397/10/11

Expected recruitment end date

2019-08-30, 1398/06/08

Actual recruitment start date

2019-01-01, 1397/10/11

Actual recruitment end date

2019-08-30, 1398/06/08

Trial completion date

2019-09-30, 1398/07/08

Scientific title

Comparison of the Effect of Phenylephrine Prophylactic

Infusion with Placebo Group on Hypertension and Nausea and Vomiting of Pregnant Women During Cesarean Section Under Spinal Anesthesia

Public title

The effect of phenylephrine on blood pressure and nausea and vomiting in pregnant women

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Pregnant women 18-45 years Pregnant women candidates for cesarean section by spinal anesthesia ASA Class 1 and 2 Elective cesarean section

Exclusion criteria:

history of allergy to phenylephrine BMI>30 Kg/M2 hypertension (>140/90 mmHg) contraindication for spinal anesthesia severe cardiovascular disease prematurity emergency cesarean section inadequate analgesia after spinal anesthesia

Age

From **18 years** old to **45 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Outcome assessor

Sample size

Target sample size: **120**

Actual sample size reached: **116**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

A quadratic permutation block method was used. Subjects in blocks 1, 3 and 5 entered into the control group and subjects in blocks 2, 4 and 6 entered into the intervention group and simple randomized table was used to select blocks. The random assignment sheet will be used by trained personnel to assign patients to study groups (Concealment).

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

The placebo was similar to the drug regarding shape of syringe, color, and volume and the researcher and patient were not aware of the type of injection or placebo. The outcome assessor did not know the types of the patient's intervention and only had the patient's specific code.

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

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2018-03-05, 1396/12/14

Ethics committee reference number

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Pregnancy

ICD-10 code

O10

ICD-10 code description

Pre-existing hypertension complicating pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium

Primary outcomes

1

Description

systolic blood pressure

Timepoint

every two minutes

Method of measurement

sphygmomanometer

2

Description

diastolic blood pressure

Timepoint

every two minutes

Method of measurement

sphygmomanometer

3

Description

heart rate

Timepoint

every two minutes

Method of measurement

puls oxymetry

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Arterial pressure

Timepoint

Every two minutes

Method of measurement

Sphygmomanometer

2

Description

SPO2

Timepoint

Every two minutes

Method of measurement

Pulse oximetry

3

Description

Nausea

Timepoint

One time, imminently after delivery

Method of measurement

Observing

4

Description

PH

Timepoint

One time, imminently after delivery

Method of measurement

Blood sample

5

Description

PCO2

Timepoint

One time, imminently after delivery

Method of measurement

Blood sample

6

Description

HCO3

Timepoint

One time, imminently after delivery

Method of measurement

Blood sample

7

Description

Apgar 1

Timepoint

One time, imminently after delivery

Method of measurement

Observing

8

Description

Apgar 5

Timepoint

One time, imminently after delivery

Method of measurement

Observing

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: In the intervention group, 35 µg / kg phenylephrine was injected. Spinal anesthesia was performed with 12 mg bupivacaine 0.6% in a sitting position in the L3-L4 or L5-L4 space using the G25 spinal needle. After anesthesia, the patient was placed in the retina position with a slight displacement of the uterus to prevent uterine pressure on the aorta and vena cava. By the time of the baby's birth, blood pressure is measured every two minutes.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: 0.9% normal saline serum was injected. Then spinal anesthesia was performed with 12 mg Bupivacaine 0.5% in sitting position in space of L3-L4 or L5-L4 using spinal needle G25.

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

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

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

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

Title and more details about the data/document

The data will be available one month after the responsible person's approval

When the data will become available and for how long

The access period will start from 2019 to 2021

To whom data/document is available

Data will be available to researchers working in the university.

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Just for performing research

From where data/document is obtainable

Refer to the responsible person for accessing the data

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

The data will be available one month after the responsible person's approval

Comments