

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Effect of LI4 and LI11 Electro- acupressure on low back and pelvic pain in pregnant women

Protocol summary

Study aim

- Determination of electrical stimulation effect of LI4 and LI11 pressure points on lumbar and pelvic pain in pregnant women

Design

The present study was designed as a randomized double-blind clinical trial (intervention and control).

Settings and conduct

In this study, pregnant women referred to health centers in Bojin Zahra city who are eligible for inclusion in the study will be available after obtaining informed consent and obtaining written consent. Then, by filling out a demographic checklist, pregnancy, and completing the Roland Morris LBP and visual analogue questionnaire, people with a score above 12 in the Roland Morris LBP questionnaire and an equal score of more than 4 in the visual analogue will be included. Samples were randomly divided into control and intervention groups using randomized blocking method. In the intervention group, in addition to receiving routine prenatal care for 4 weeks, they receive acupressure twice a week through a two-channel tensile device at LI11, LI4 pressure points for 15 minutes, and information was obtained immediately by Roland Morris questionnaire and visual analogue questionnaire. After the intervention, each session in Venice will be reviewed and followed up at 2, 4, and 6 weeks after the intervention.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Having lumbopelvic pain Ages 18 to 35 years Gestational age 26-32 weeks Gravida 1 and singleton pregnancy

Intervention groups

The control group will receive standard prenatal care, and for the intervention group, in addition to standard prenatal care, twice a week for 4 minutes each and for 15 minutes will be electrically stimulated by a two-channel tensile device at LI4 and LI11 pressure points. Will find out.

Main outcome variables

Acupuncture, Hip and Back Pain, Pregnancy Age,

Mother's Occupation, Age, Education, Pregnancy Age

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20191209045673N1**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2020-01-20, 1398/10/30

Expected recruitment end date

2020-06-18, 1399/03/29

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Effect of LI4 and LI11 Electro- acupressure on low back and pelvic pain in pregnant women

Public title

Effect of LI4 and LI11 Electro- acupressure on low back and pelvic pain in pregnant women

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Pregnant women with lumbopelvic pain Gestational age 26 to 32 weeks Gravida 1 singleton Ages 18 to 35 years

Exclusion criteria:

Having mental disorders. Having skeletal muscle disorders. Use of psychotropic drugs. Using other pain relief techniques such as exercise in water, yoga and ...
Skin lesions at acupuncture points.

Age

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

Gender

Female

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **108**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

In the first step, the eligible samples will be selected who are willing to participate in the study, and then they will be divided into two groups (intervention and control) using block randomization.

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

Ethics Committee of Qazvin University of Medical Sciences

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2019-12-07, 1398/09/16

Ethics committee reference number

IR.QUMS.REC.1398.213

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

lumbopelvic pain

ICD-10 code

M 54.5

ICD-10 code description

Low Back pain

Primary outcomes

1

Description

lumbopelvic pain

Timepoint

Measurements of lumbopelvic pain before intervention and immediately after the intervention in each visit and followed up at 2, 4 and 6 weeks after the intervention.

Method of measurement

Using Roland Morris Low Back Pain Inventory and Visual Analogue Scal

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: In this study there is an intervention group, for the intervention group in addition to standard prenatal care, twice a week for 4 weeks and each time for 15 minutes electrical stimulation by two-channel tensile device at pressure points Li4 and Li11 at They will find.

Category

Treatment - Other

2

Description

Control group: Standard Prenatal Care

Category

Treatment - Other

Recruitment centers

1

Recruitment center

Name of recruitment center

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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

Qazvin 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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Translations of midwifery NounFrequency مامایی
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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

Not applicable

Title and more details about the data/document

All data contains code and is identifiable.

When the data will become available and for how long

1399

To whom data/document is available

Qazvin University of Medical Sciences

Under which criteria data/document could be used

If approved by Qazvin University of Medical Sciences

From where data/document is obtainable

Qazvin University of Medical Sciences

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

Visit Qazvin University of Medical Sciences and submit a written application or request an email to F.ranjkes@qums.ac.ir

Comments