

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of Sprotte and Quincke Spinal Needles on the Frequency and Severity of Transient Neurologic Syndrome (TNS) after Spinal Anesthesia in Patients undergoing Cesarean Delivery

Protocol summary

Study aim

To compare Sprotte and Quincke spinal needles in the frequency and severity of transient neurologic syndrome after spinal anesthesia.

Design

After surgery, 160 patients will be selected as research sample and then divided into two groups of intervention and control. The intervention group will use Sprotte spinal needle and the control group will use Quincke spinal needle. The study is a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical trial.

Settings and conduct

160 healthy pregnant women between ages of 18 to 40 and singleton pregnancy undergoing elective cesarean delivery receive spinal anesthesia using non-cutting Sprotte number 25 (study group; n=80) or cutting Quincke (control group; n=80) needles during 6 months in the Al-Zahra Hospital. The frequency and severity of transient neurologic syndrome are recorded after spinal anesthesia. Anesthesiologist is responsible for anesthesia management, and preparation of study solutions and the thesis student who is blinded to the study group is responsible for collecting information and data of patients.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria : Aged 18-40 years, ASA Class I&II, Term and singleton pregnancy, Exclusion criteria : Contraindication to spinal anesthesia, Allergy to local anesthetics Spinal cord stenosis and lumbar discopathy,

Intervention groups

Intervention group: this group (n=80) using of Sprotte (manufacturer: B brown) spinal needle G25 undergoing spinal anesthesia. Control group: this group (n=80) using of Quincke (manufacturer: B brown) spinal needle G25 undergoing spinal anesthesia

Main outcome variables

Evaluation of patients for TNS symptoms, onset and

duration of symptoms after anesthesia recovery, pain intensity based on VAS (from painless (0) to (10) to intolerable severe pain), type of treatment, and Dosage of analgesics

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

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Scientific title

Comparison of Sprotte and Quincke Spinal Needles on the Frequency and Severity of Transient Neurologic Syndrome (TNS) after Spinal Anesthesia in Patients undergoing Cesarean Delivery

Public title

The effect of Sprotte or Quincke spinal needles on the frequency and severity of transient neurologic syndrome

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

Candidate for elective cesarean delivery Candidate for spinal anesthesia Patients between 18-40 years ASA Class I&II Term and singleton pregnancy

Exclusion criteria:

Weight over 100 kg and height less than 150 cm Allergy to local anesthetics medicines History of psychiatric disease Spinal cord stenosis and lumbar discopathy History of systemic diseases (cardiovascular, hepatic, pulmonary, ...)

Age

From **18 years** old to **40 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Care provider
- Outcome assessor

Sample size

Target sample size: **160**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Patients wishing to participate in the study who meet the inclusion criteria will be selected as convenient sampling and then randomly assigned to two control and intervention groups using Randlist software.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

In present study, patients, investigator, care provider, outcome assessor and data analyzer are blinded to participants study groups. The study team includes an anesthesiologists, who is responsible for data collection and outcome assessing, who is not in charge of anesthesia management, thus is not aware of interventions and study group. In addition, all study groups and subsequent interventions will be introduced to the patients and it will be mentioned in the written consent that patients will be blinded to the study groups

and interventions .Patients are allocated into study and control groups, according to a two blocked randomization list that is prepared using online software at a 1:1 ratio. The list is coded (A or B) that is preprinted in sealed-envelope packets. Except for one of anesthetists, all of researchers are blinded to the type of spinal needle for every patient during the study

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

Ethics committees**1****Ethics committee****Name of ethics committee**

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Health conditions studied**1****Description of health condition studied**

The effect of Sprotte and Quincke spinal needles on the frequency and severity of neurological syndrome

ICD-10 code

O74.6

ICD-10 code description

Other complications of spinal and epidural anesthesia during labor and delivery

Primary outcomes**1****Description**

Time of onset of symptoms of transient neurological syndrome

Timepoint

6 to 48 hours after surgery

Method of measurement

Physical examination

2

Description

Duration of symptoms of transient neurological syndrome after recovery from anesthesia

Timepoint

6 to 48 hours after surgery

Method of measurement

Physical examination

3

Description

Severity of pain caused by transient neurological syndrome

Timepoint

6 to 48 hours after surgery

Method of measurement

Similar verbal scoring

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Type of treatment used for transient neurological syndrome

Timepoint

6 to 48 hours after surgery

Method of measurement

Clinical record

2

Description

The dose of treatment used to treat transient neurological syndrome

Timepoint

6 to 48 hours after surgery

Method of measurement

Clinical record

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: The patients of this group (n=80) using of Sprotte(manufacturer: B brown) spinal needle G25 undergoing spinal anesthesia.

Category

Treatment - Devices

2

Description

Control group: The patients of this group (n=80) using of Quincke (manufacturer: B brown)spinal needle G25 undergoing spinal anesthesia

Category

Treatment - Devices

Recruitment centers

1

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Grant code / Reference number

Is the source of funding the same sponsor organization/entity?

Yes

Title of funding source

Tabriz 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)**

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be 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

A portion of the data that represents the final outcome

When the data will become available and for how long

starting 6 months after publication

To whom data/document is available

All Physicians and residents of the department of Anesthesia

Under which criteria data/document could be used

There will be no specific limitations to the utilization of the data.

From where data/document is obtainable

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What processes are involved for a request to access

data/document

Be approved by the Research Vice-President at first
Comments