

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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### Evaluation of efficacy of pharmacotherapy treatment of COVID- 19 infection using oral Levamisole and Formoterol+Budesonide inhaler and comparison of this treatment protocol with standard national treatment of the disease

#### Protocol summary

##### Study aim

A- Finding effective and available treatment for COVID-19 patients B- Comparison of our treatment protocol with national standard, treatment protocol

##### Design

Two arm, parallel group, randomized double blind clinical trial

##### Settings and conduct

Hospitalized COVID-19 positive patients will be randomly divided into two groups of 15 patients in Vali Asr hospital of Fasa, One group will be test group and another will be control group according to the medical ethics guidelines.

##### Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

All of the COVID-19 hospitalized patients with positive PCR and Chest CT-scan

##### Intervention groups

Control group will take national standard treatment medicines and test group will take Levamisole tablet 50 mg TDS and Budesonide+ Formoterol inhaler 1 puff every 12 hours as intervention drugs in addition to standard treatment. Standard treatment consists of Hydroxychloroquine equal to 400 mg in a single dose and Kaletra (Lopinavir / Ritonavir) 200/50 mg two tablets every 12 hours. Both groups will take standard treatment but in test group intervention drugs will be added.

##### Main outcome variables

Main variables are elimination of sign of disease like Cough, Fever and dyspnea. Elimination of Lymphopenia and negative result of PCR and chest CT-scan are other expected result of intervention.

#### General information

##### Reason for update

##### Acronym

##### IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20200324046852N1**

Registration date: **2020-04-05, 1399/01/17**

Registration timing: **registered\_while\_recruiting**

Last update: **2020-04-05, 1399/01/17**

Update count: **0**

##### Registration date

2020-04-05, 1399/01/17

##### Registrant information

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##### Recruitment status

**Recruitment complete**

##### Funding source

##### Expected recruitment start date

2020-04-01, 1399/01/13

##### Expected recruitment end date

2020-04-13, 1399/01/25

##### Actual recruitment start date

empty

##### Actual recruitment end date

empty

##### Trial completion date

empty

##### Scientific title

Evaluation of efficacy of pharmacotherapy treatment of

COVID- 19 infection using oral Levamisole and Formoterol+Budesonide inhaler and comparison of this treatment protocol with standard national treatment of the disease

**Public title**

Comparison of efficacy of oral Levamisole and Formoterol+Budesonide inhaler with standard treatment of Corona infection.

**Purpose**

Treatment

**Inclusion/Exclusion criteria****Inclusion criteria:**

COVID-19 positive patients with positive, PCR and chest CT scan

**Exclusion criteria:**

Patients with sever respiratory problems including patients with:1. Spo<sub>2</sub><60%2. Severe respiratory distress3. Heamodynamic instabilitty 4. Acid base disturbance 5. Severe Anemia Patients with hepatic diseases Patients with Nervous system diseases

**Age**

No age limit

**Gender**

Both

**Phase**

2-3

**Groups that have been masked**

- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser
- Data and Safety Monitoring Board

**Sample size**

Target sample size: **30**

**Randomization (investigator's opinion)**

Randomized

**Randomization description**

Eligible patients will be selected by the clinician. Each patient will be assigned an alphabetical code, a list of codes will be sent to the researcher. The researcher coded the codes from the random number table and assigned a new numeric code to each patient for each test and control group. These numerical codes will be used to form patient records and place the patient in the designed group.

**Blinding (investigator's opinion)**

Double blinded

**Blinding description**

All of the research team will be blind about the groups of study and position of patients in each group except of physician and main researcher. Files of patients which will be numbered using a random number table will be sent for analyzer of the study. Information about position of patients in the groups is masked from research team. Outcomes Assessor will receive the information of patients without any name in the file. Just when statistical analysis would be finished information of groups will be revealed.

**Placebo**

Not used

**Assignment**

Parallel

**Other design features****Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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**Approval date**

2020-03-30, 1399/01/11

**Ethics committee reference number**

IR.FUMS.REC.1399.002

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

Corona virus infection

**ICD-10 code**

U07.1

**ICD-10 code description**

COVID-19, confirmed by laboratory testing

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

Chest CT-Scan response to treatment including dispersion size of Ground Glass area, bronchitis and consolidation.

**Timepoint**

Days 0-3-7

**Method of measurement**

CT scan apparatus

**2****Description**

Response to treatment in Lymphocytes count.

**Timepoint**

Daily

**Method of measurement**

By apparatus in diagnostic lab.

### 3

#### **Description**

Response to treatment for COVID-19 specific PCR test

#### **Timepoint**

Days 0-3-7

#### **Method of measurement**

Using PCR apparatus

### 4

#### **Description**

Response to treatment in O2 level and CO2 level in ABG or VBG test

#### **Timepoint**

Daily

#### **Method of measurement**

By apparatus in diagnostic lab.

## **Secondary outcomes**

### 1

#### **Description**

Blood pressure response to treatment

#### **Timepoint**

daily

#### **Method of measurement**

By Sphygmomanometer

### 2

#### **Description**

Creatinine level during intervention

#### **Timepoint**

Daily

#### **Method of measurement**

By apparatus in diagnostic labs.

### 3

#### **Description**

Level of CRP ( C reactive protein) in response to intervention

#### **Timepoint**

Daily

#### **Method of measurement**

By apparatus in diagnostic labs.

## **Intervention groups**

### 1

#### **Description**

Intervention group: In this group along with the standard drugs according to the national guideline of treatment for COVID-19, patients will take Levamisole 50 mg TDS for 3-7 days, made by Poursina pharmaceutical Company and Budesonide+Formoterol 1 Puff every 12 hours made by Astra Zenca Company for 3-7 days. Brand name of Budesonide+Formoterol is Symbicort and it has two strength ; 160/4.5 and 320/9 mcg respectively. Decision about the used strength and dose of drug depends on

the situation of the disease and will be made by physician.

#### **Category**

Treatment - Drugs

### 2

#### **Description**

Control group: This group just take standard drugs consist of Kaletra and Hydroxychloroquine. This national protocol would be taken as below: 1- Hydroxychloroquine sulfate 200 mg as a single dose. 2- Kaletra tablet ( Lopinavir/ Ritonavir) 200/50 mg 2 tablets every 12 hours for at least 5 days which can be extended to 14 days.

#### **Category**

Treatment - Drugs

## **Recruitment centers**

### 1

#### **Recruitment center**

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### 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**

Fasa 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**

No - There is not a plan to make this available

**Statistical Analysis Plan**

No - There is not a plan to make this available

**Informed Consent Form**

No - There is not a plan to make this available

**Clinical Study Report**

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

**Analytic Code**

No - There is not 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**

Just some part of data which is deductible for health care staff will be shared.

**When the data will become available and for how long**

From the 17th of April till 17th of June 2020

**To whom data/document is available**

Just for medical professionals and managers of Ministry of health

**Under which criteria data/document could be used**

Following to written approval of Research deputy of Fasa University of medical sciences

**From where data/document is obtainable**

Research deputy of Fasa University of medical sciences

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

By correspondence with the research deputy of the University and after approval requested data will be sent.

**Comments**