

Clinical Trial Protocol

Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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Investigating the effect of flap fixation with MONOCRYLE suture after mastectomy in seroma formation in breast cancer patients

Protocol summary

Study aim

Incidence of seroma formation after flap fixation with MONOCRYLE suture in mastectomy

Design

Sample collection during 12 months was selected from clients for surgery. To determine the sample size, the sample volume formula based on power was used. The sample size in each group was 62 people. The study is a blind and the mastectomy will be performed in the usual way and the mastectomy with flap fixation will be performed with a monocryl suture. Patients will be randomly divided into intervention and control groups.

Settings and conduct

Patient information is recorded and discharged during the first, second and third day of hospitalization after surgery. The inside of the drain bag was measured accurately daily and in case of volume less than 30 ml daily, drain will come out. The number of days of treatment for each patient will be recorded in the data collection form. Then Patients will be discharged within three days, regardless of the presence or absence of the disease. Since the Withdrawal of the drain until fourteen days later Probable seromas will be carefully examined and evaluated in the area of operation. Information Patients with seroma are recorded with the amount they need to evacuate if necessary, it will be emptied.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

All of breast cancer patients who are candidate mastectomy

Intervention groups

Patients in the intervention group are who had flap fixation with MONOCRYLE suture after mastectomy in breast cancer

Main outcome variables

Seroma formation; infection; pain; limited mobility; wound opening

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20200510047379N1**

Registration date: **2021-09-12, 1400/06/21**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2020-01-21, 1398/11/01

Expected recruitment end date

2021-03-05, 1399/12/15

Actual recruitment start date

2020-01-21, 1398/11/01

Actual recruitment end date

2021-03-05, 1399/12/15

Trial completion date

2021-03-19, 1399/12/29

Scientific title

Investigating the effect of flap fixation with MONOCRYLE suture after mastectomy in seroma formation in breast cancer patients

Public title

Seroma formation after mastectomy with flap fixation using MONOCRYLE suture in breast cancer patients

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

All breast cancer patients who are candidates for mastectomy

Exclusion criteria:

Diabetes Use of Corticosteroid

Age

No age limit

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Participant

Sample size

Target sample size: **124**

Actual sample size reached: **120**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Not randomized

Randomization description

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

Blinding description

Participants in this study will enter the intervention and control groups non-randomly after obtaining informed consent and will not be aware of the type of intervention.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Other

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

Ethics committee of Imam Khomeini hospital of Sari, Mazandaran University of Medical Sciences

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2019-12-25, 1398/10/04

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Seroma formation in breast cancer surgery

ICD-10 code

L76

ICD-10 code description

Intraoperative and postprocedural complications of skin and subcutaneous tissue

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Seroma formation

Timepoint

Days 3,7,14 after surgery

Method of measurement

Check the volume of secretions collected in the drain located at the site of operation

2

Description

Wound infection

Timepoint

Days 3,7,14 after surgery

Method of measurement

Wound observing and investigating the wound for local and systemic symptoms

3

Description

Wound opening

Timepoint

Days 3,7,14 after surgery

Method of measurement

Observing the wound

4

Description

Pain in wound

Timepoint

Days 3,7,14 after surgery

Method of measurement

Asking patient

5

Description

Limitation of mobility of limbs in site of wound

Timepoint

Days 3,7,14 after surgery
Method of measurement
Examination of patients' limb mobility

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: In this group of breast mastectomy patients, after removing the flap, the flap will be connected to the pectoralis muscle in several rows using MONOCRYL suture (manufactured by SMI AG).

Category

Treatment - Surgery

2

Description

Control group: In this group of breast mastectomy patients, after removing the flap, the flap will be connected to the pectoralis muscle in several rows using conventional sutures.

Category

Treatment - Surgery

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

Mazandaran University of Medical Sciences

Proportion provided by this source

60

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

Person responsible for general inquiries

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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

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

Clinical Study Report

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be 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 were read only to include unidentifiable individual profiles and main outcomes based on a reasonable request.

When the data will become available and for how long

The data will be available after publication.

To whom data/document is available

Researchers working in academic institutions and surgeons can access the data upon reasonable request.

Under which criteria data/document could be used

The data can be used for review and validation upon request.

From where data/document is obtainable

Dr. Leyla Shojaee, Imam Khomeini Hospital of Sari

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

To request the data, an email stating the reasons will be sent to the person in charge of the clinical trial and after their approval, the data will be available.

Comments