

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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### Evaluation of Dexamethasone treatment in high-risk covid19 patients in Qom

#### Protocol summary

##### Study aim

Determination of dexamethasone treatment in COVID 19 patients in Qom province

##### Design

A clinical trial with a control group, with parallel groups, without blinding, phase 3 on 60 patients. It was used for randomization through blocking.

##### Settings and conduct

This study determined dexamethasone treatment in COVID 19 patients in Qom province, a randomized clinical trial without blindness.

##### Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Study entry criteria: 1- <70 adults (defined as .18 years 2- Laboratory confirmation of Covid19 b infection 3. Covid19's new organ dysfunction. Criteria for leaving the study: Sensitivity or sensitivity to Lopinavir / Ritonavir or recombinant IFN-β1b 2- ALT above 5 times normal 3. Use of drugs that are contraindicated with lopinavir / ritonavir and should not be substituted or discontinued during the study period. 4- Pregnancy 5. Known HIV infection 6. Uncontrolled diabetes 7. Vulnerable groups, such as the mentally disabled, emergency patients, or prisoners, are excluded from the study.

##### Intervention groups

In this study, clinical trials of researchers from hospitalized patients in Beheshti and Forghani hospitals Having COVID 19 That by receiving oxygen by The method of Reserve bag Oxygen saturation percentage should be less than 94%, provided that they have entry criteria, in two groups of 30 people selected as control and intervention, And randomly enter the blockade allocation into one of two treatment groups. In addition to receiving treatment for the Ministry of Health's protocol, the intervention group was treated with dexamethasone after obtaining informed consent, and the second group was treated only with the Ministry of Health's protocol. And both groups will be analyzed.

##### Main outcome variables

Initial outcome (death within 30 days after

hospitalization) Secondary effect (mortality over the next year)

#### General information

##### Reason for update

##### Acronym

##### IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20160118026097N4**

Registration date: **2020-09-13, 1399/06/23**

Registration timing: **retrospective**

Last update: **2020-09-13, 1399/06/23**

Update count: **0**

##### Registration date

2020-09-13, 1399/06/23

##### Registrant information

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##### Recruitment status

**Recruitment complete**

##### Funding source

##### Expected recruitment start date

2020-03-29, 1399/01/10

##### Expected recruitment end date

2020-05-30, 1399/03/10

##### Actual recruitment start date

empty

##### Actual recruitment end date

empty

**Trial completion date**  
empty

**Scientific title**  
Evaluation of Dexamethasone treatment in high-risk covid19 patients in Qom

**Public title**  
The effect of dexamethasone in the treatment of high-risk covid19 patients

**Purpose**  
Treatment

**Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**  
**Inclusion criteria:**  
Age between 18 and 70 years Laboratory confirmation of Covid19 infection with reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) from any diagnostic sampling source The new organ dysfunction, which is related to Covid19, includes: Hypoxia requires supplemental oxygen to maintain oxygen saturation > 90%. hypotension (systolic blood pressure <90 mmHg) or need for vasopressor / inotropic drug. Renal impairment (especially creatinine) 50% of baseline, onset, received based on glomerular filtration film. Reduce the scale of Glasgow 2 or more, Thrombocytopenia (<150,000 platelets per millimeter). Symptoms of gastrointestinal upset requiring hospitalization (eg, severe nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or abdominal pain  
**Exclusion criteria:**  
Sensitivity or sensitivity to Lopinavir / Ritonavir or recombinant IFN-β1b, including toxic epidermal necrolysis, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, erythema or angioedema syndrome. ALT above 5 times normal Use of drugs that are contraindicated with Lopinavir / Ritonavir And do not replace or stop during the study period, such as CYP3A inhibitors. Pregnancy - Eligible female participants are tested at gestational age before enrolling in a pregnancy study. HIV infection is known to cause concern about the resistance to lopinavir / ritonavir if used in combination with other anti-HIV drugs. Uncontrolled diabetes (Prohibition of prednisolone). According to the 31st National Guide, all vulnerable groups, such as the mentally disabled, emergency patients, or inmates, are excluded from the study.

**Age**  
From **18 years** old to **70 years** old

**Gender**  
Both

**Phase**  
3

**Groups that have been masked**  
*No information*

**Sample size**  
Target sample size: **60**

**Randomization (investigator's opinion)**  
Randomized

**Randomization description**  
This study will be performed by a random sampling method, block allocation. In such a way that In this study, 60 patients with corona will be randomly divided into two groups. The selection of groups will be based on the fact

that individuals will be assigned to groups based on block randomization. Block size 4 is considered. So we have six blocks of four, ABAB, ABBA, AABB, BAAB BBAA, BABA. The selection of each block will also be random and will be done using dice. For example, if the number 5 comes in the dice roll, the AABB block is considered and Therefore, the first two patients are assigned to treatment A, and the two patients are then assigned to treatment B. The dice will be thrown ten times to complete the allocation of patients to treatment groups. Treatment with dexamethasone and control will also be based on accident (coin toss).

**Blinding (investigator's opinion)**

Not blinded

**Blinding description**

**Placebo**

Not used

**Assignment**

Parallel

**Other design features**

The patient will be visited every one to three months based on treatment needs And other follow-ups will be done by phone.

## Secondary Ids

empty

## Ethics committees

### 1

**Ethics committee**

**Name of ethics committee**

Ethics committee of Qom University of Medical Sciences

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**Approval date**

2020-04-28, 1399/02/09

**Ethics committee reference number**

IR.MUQ.REC.1399.085

## Health conditions studied

### 1

**Description of health condition studied**

COVID19

**ICD-10 code**

U07.1

**ICD-10 code description**

COVID-19, virus identified

## Primary outcomes

### 1

#### Description

Initial outcome (mortality rate or Recovery within 30 days after hospitalization)

#### Timepoint

the experiment of RT-PCR In the lower respiratory tracts  
When entering the study and One week after treatment  
Repeat every week too Negative sample twice.

#### Method of measurement

Examining and filling out checklists and performing RT-PCR tests

## Secondary outcomes

### 1

#### Description

Days without organ support (eg, supplemental O2, mechanical ventilation, dialysis and vasopressors): 28 days  
2- RT-PCR examination At the time of admission to the study and one week after treatment and every week to negative sample Twice.  
3-Body failure assessment scores  
4-staying time in ICU A period of one year after discharge.  
5 The duration of hospital stay - the period of one year after discharge  
6-Mechanical ventilation duration - one year after discharge.  
7-Chest radiographic findings Time interval: first and 28 days later.  
8-Number of patients with side effects from treatment over a period of 28 days Such as diabetes, hypothyroidism, hyperlipidemia, hypertension, cataracts, glaucoma, cushingoid complications and gastrointestinal and skin complications.  
9- ICU mortality - a period of one year after discharge.  
10-Hospital mortality - a period of one year after discharge.

#### Timepoint

The patient will be visited every one to three months of treatment based on the need for treatment and other follow-ups will be done by phone.

#### Method of measurement

In-person examination and telephone follow-up

## Intervention groups

### 1

#### Description

Intervention group: After obtaining informed consent and a full explanation of the treatment steps to the patient and accompanying regarding the treatment process, In addition to receiving the Ministry of Health's treatment protocol, dexamethasone is treated daily 0/1mg/kg for a week.

#### Category

Treatment - Drugs

## Recruitment centers

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#### Recruitment center

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#### Grant name

#### Grant code / Reference number

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

No

#### Title of funding source

Deputy of Research and Technology of Qom 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

## 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**

Yes - There is 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**

No - There is not a plan to make this available

**Title and more details about the data/document**

All data can be shared after people have not been identified

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

Start the access period 6 months after printing the results

**To whom data/document is available**

Researchers working in academic and scientific institutions

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

Use of meta-analysis

**From where data/document is obtainable**

DR Jamshid vafaemanesh

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

Correspondence with the responsible author

**Comments**

does not have