

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Evaluation of the efficacy of Cranberry in management of non-alcoholic Fatty Liver Patients

Protocol summary

Study aim

Determining the effect of cranberry extract on the response to treatment regimen of fatty liver patients on liver enzymes, ultrasound grade, lipid profile and serum glucose levels

Design

The study was an intervention and participants will receive cranberry extract and placebo as a double-sided blind and data analyzer will also be blind. The sample size will be 80 people who will receive 50% of the sample volume of cranberry extract and 50% placebo for 6 months and then will be analyzed.

Settings and conduct

The study will be performed in the specialized clinic of Imam Reza Hospital in Tabriz. Participants will receive cranberry extract and placebo as a double-sided blind and data analyzer will also be blind.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Entry conditions: Patients with non-alcoholic fatty liver grade 1, 2 and 3 Patients with newly diagnosed fatty liver Candidates for fatty liver treatment No entry conditions: Patient dissatisfaction Rule out the diagnosis of fatty liver

Intervention groups

Intervention group: The first intervention group includes patients with grade 1, 2 and 3 liver who will receive one cranberry extract daily for 6 months. Control group: The second intervention group includes patients with grade 1, 2 and 3 liver who will receive one placebo daily for 6 months.

Main outcome variables

Determination of lipid profile level before and after cranberry and placebo use Determination of serum insulin and fasting glucose levels before and after cranberry and placebo Determination of Ultrasound grade before and after cranberry and placebo Determination of serum levels of liver enzymes before and after cranberry and placebo

General information

Reason for update

for increasing generalizability of result all patients with NAFLD (grade 1-3) were included. moreover, some confounding factors that affect the result of the study were considered as exclusion criteria such as alcohol consumption and use of vitamin and antioxidant supplements. we sampled more than anticipated number, 94 patients

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20200725048200N1**
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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2020-07-27, 1399/05/06

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2021-07-28, 1400/05/06

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date
empty

Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Evaluation of the efficacy of Cranberry in management of non-alcoholic Fatty Liver Patients

Public title
Evaluation of the efficacy of Cranberry in treatment of Fatty Liver

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
 Patients with non-alcoholic fatty liver grade1, 2 and 3
 Patients with newly diagnosed fatty liver Candidates for fatty liver treatment
Exclusion criteria:
 Patient dissatisfaction Rule out the diagnosis of fatty liver
 Drug intolerance Existence of diabetes, , heart, renal and pulmonary failure, other liver diseases in which fatty liver appears in the picture alcohol consumption antioxidant and vitamins supplements other than vitamin E pregnant and lactating mothers

Age
From **18 years** old to **75 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size
Target sample size: **94**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Not randomized

Randomization description

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Double blinded

Blinding description
Participants will receive cranberry extract and placebo as a double-sided blind.

Placebo
Used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids
empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee
Name of ethics committee
 Ethics committee of Tabriz University of Medical Sciences
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Approval date
 2020-04-20, 1399/02/01
Ethics committee reference number
 IR.TBZMED.REC.1399.090

Health conditions studied

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Description of health condition studied
Non-alcoholic fatty liver

ICD-10 code
K76.0

ICD-10 code description
Fatty (change of) liver, not elsewhere classified

Primary outcomes

1

Description
Determination of lipid profile level before and after cranberry and placebo use

Timepoint
Study time and 6 months after taking cranberry extract and placebo

Method of measurement
Perform blood tests

2

Description
Determination of serum insulin and fasting glucose levels before and after cranberry and placebo

Timepoint
Study time and 6 months after taking cranberry extract and placebo

Method of measurement
Perform blood tests

3

Description
Determination of Ultrasound grade before and after cranberry and placebo

Timepoint
Study time and 6 months after taking cranberry extract

and placebo
Method of measurement
Ultrasound device

4

Description

Determination of serum levels of liver enzymes before and after cranberry and placebo

Timepoint

Study time and 6 months after taking cranberry extract and placebo

Method of measurement

Perform blood tests

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: The first intervention group includes patients with grade 1, 2 and 3 liver. Cranberry extract is called Cranberry Shari, which is the brand name. Ingredients of its formulation 144 mg of cranberry fruit extract (Vaccinium Macrocarpon). Standardized based on the presence of 25% proanthocyanidin. Equivalent to 36 mg of active ingredient (equivalent to 13 g of dried cranberry fruit). Patients will receive one daily, preferably with food, for 6 months. Possible side effects of the drug include gastrointestinal disorders (nausea and vomiting) and diarrhea (if taken in large amounts) explained to patients in the first session and then in the next sessions the referral will be asked about its possibility.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: The second intervention group includes patients with grade 1, 2 and 3 liver who will receive one placebo daily for 6 months. The duration of use, the manner of consumption of patient education and follow-up of patients will be completely according to the patients receiving the main drug.

Category

Placebo

Recruitment centers

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Imam reza hospital

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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

Gastrointestinal and Liver Diseases Research Center,
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

Person responsible for general inquiries

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Assistant Professor

Latest degree

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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

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Title and more details about the data/document

In this study, patients' identities are not shared.

When the data will become available and for how long

Access period starts 12 months after the results are published.

To whom data/document is available

Data will only be available to researchers in this study.

Under which criteria data/document could be used

The data will be available to researchers only for meta-analysis study and for data analysis.

From where data/document is obtainable

Receipt of data will be done through the scientific respondent of the study.

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

To receive the data, an email is sent to the scientific respondent and the reason for receiving the data is mentioned in detail and if the reasons are appropriate, the information will be sent.

Comments