

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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### **A randomized clinical trial of chlorhexidine alcohol 4% compared with povidine iodine 10% for vaginal scrub in gynecologic surgeries: complications and microbial flora**

#### **Protocol summary**

##### **Study aim**

Comparison of the effects of 4% alcohol chlorhexidine and 10% iodine for vaginal lavage in gynecological surgeries: Complications and microbial flora

##### **Design**

Clinical trial with control group, with parallel groups, double-blind, randomized, phase 3 per 100 patients using random number table

##### **Settings and conduct**

Study will be done in Al zahra hospital of Tabriz. Sampling is done using convenience sampling method and the number of statistical samples of the study are 108 people who are equally divided into two control and experimental groups. first, using a table of random numbers, a sequence of letters of the web will be produced equal to the number of statistical samples and equally for the two experimental and control groups. Anti-septic solutions are marked with two English letters A&B and according to the sequence of letters created, they will be used in a double-blind manner depending on the type of intervention in the case and control groups, and the solution symbol used in the data collection sheet will be recorded.

##### **Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria**

Inclusion criteria: candidates for elective vaginal surgery: Satisfaction to participate in the study: All patients aged 18 to 65 years with indication for vaginal surgery. Exclusion criteria: Sensitivity to povidone iodine or chlorhexidine alcohol: Evidence of active infection at the site of surgery: Having systemic diseases predisposing to infections such as diabetes and immunodeficiency disease: Taking cytotoxic drugs and corticosteroids in the last 6 months: Existence of active wound or laceration at the operation site: BMI above 30: Patient discharge on the day of surgery.

##### **Intervention groups**

Comparison of the effects of chlorhexidine alcohol and

Ipovidine iodine on vaginal lavage in gynecological vaginal surgeries

##### **Main outcome variables**

Strength, durability, side effects of chlorhexidine alcohol and Ipovidine iodine

#### **General information**

##### **Reason for update**

##### **Acronym**

##### **IRCT registration information**

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20200919048755N1**

Registration date: **2020-11-19, 1399/08/29**

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##### **Registration date**

2020-11-19, 1399/08/29

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##### **Recruitment status**

**Recruitment complete**

##### **Funding source**

##### **Expected recruitment start date**

2020-02-19, 1398/11/30

##### **Expected recruitment end date**

2020-10-21, 1399/07/30

**Actual recruitment start date**

empty

**Actual recruitment end date**

empty

**Trial completion date**

empty

**Scientific title**

A randomized clinical trial of chlorhexidine alcohol 4% compared with povidine iodine 10% for vaginal scrub in gynecologic surgeries: complications and microbial flora

**Public title**

A randomized clinical trial of chlorhexidine alcohol 4% compared with povidine iodine 10% for vaginal scrub in gynecologic surgeries: complications and microbial flora

**Purpose**

Treatment

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

Patients referred to Al-Zahra Hospital in Tabriz and candidates for elective vaginal surgery Consent to participate in the study

**Exclusion criteria:**

Hypersensitivity to povidine iodine or chlorhexidine alcohol Evidence of active infection at the site of surgery Having systemic diseases predisposing to infections such as diabetes or immunodeficiency diseases such as HIV Taking cytotoxic drugs and corticosteroids in the last 6 months Existence of active wound or laceration at the operation site Bmi>30 Discharge of the patient on the day of surgery

**Age**

From **18 years** old to **65 years** old

**Gender**

Female

**Phase**

3

**Groups that have been masked**

- Participant
- Care provider

**Sample size**

Target sample size: **100**

**Randomization (investigator's opinion)**

Randomized

**Randomization description**

The sampling method will be as follows: first, using a table of random numbers, a sequence of letters A and B. The same number of statistical samples will be produced equally for the two experimental and control groups. Anti-diaphonic solutions are marked with two English letters A and B and according to the sequence of letters created, they will be used in two ways depending on the type of intervention (solution) in both case and control groups and the solution symbol used on the data sheet collection will be recorded.

**Blinding (investigator's opinion)**

Double blinded

**Blinding description**

The sampling method will be as follows: first, using a table of random numbers, a sequence of numbers;The

same number of statistical samples will be produced equally for the two experimental and control groups. Anti-septic solutions are marked with two English letters A and B and according to the sequence of letters created, they will be used in two ways depending on the type of intervention (solution) in both case and control groups and the solution symbol used on the sheet. Data collection will be recorded.

**Placebo**

Not 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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2020-02-17, 1398/11/28

**Ethics committee reference number**

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

Infection of the vaginal Scrub site in gynecological surgeries

**ICD-10 code****ICD-10 code description****Primary outcomes****1****Description**

povidine iodine disinfectant power

**Timepoint**

Before and immediately after the scrub (in the first minute)

**Method of measurement**

The method will be that in both groups of patients, before scrub and immediately after it (in the first minute)

microbial culture using a sterile swab and transferring it to a transport environment, based on the type and count of microorganisms will be done. The extent of vaginal microbial load reduction after the use of chlorhexidine 4% and betadine 10% solution will be determined and the data will be analyzed.

## 2

### **Description**

Durability of chlorhexidine alcohol effect

### **Timepoint**

Before and immediately after the scrub (in the first minute)

### **Method of measurement**

To compare the shelf life of the disinfectant solution or its inactivation during bleeding at the end of surgery (in the first minute after surgery), re-sampling for culture (in the first minute) using a sterile swab and transferring it to a transport medium, will be done .

## 3

### **Description**

Durability of povidone iodine effect

### **Timepoint**

Before and immediately after the scrub (in the first minute)

### **Method of measurement**

To compare the shelf life of the disinfectant solution or its inactivation during bleeding at the end of surgery (in the first minute after surgery), re-sampling for culture (in the first minute) using a sterile swab and transferring it to a transport medium, will be done.

## 4

### **Description**

Side effects of Povidine-iodine

### **Timepoint**

Immediately after using the solution and at the end of the operation and in the morning after the operation

### **Method of measurement**

Observation and examination of the vulva and vagina in terms of local complications occurred in the mentioned solution based on the severity of the complication (burning, erythema, swelling and inflammation, scaling, scarring, etc.) based on the design questionnaire,immediately after using The solution ,at the end of the operation and in the morning after the operation. redness and burning at the site is considered mild complication, moderate complication is in case of scaling, and severe complication is in case of ulceration.

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## **Secondary outcomes**

empty

## **Intervention groups**

### 1

#### **Description**

Intervention group: Chlorhexidine alcohol will contain 4% alcohol. Due to the fact that this antiseptic solution does not exist in our country, it will be prepared and delivered by a clinical pharmacist with the mentioned percentage in the Faculty of Pharmacology of Tabriz University of Medical Sciences. In each patient in three stages, before the operation, immediately after the operation (in the first minute) and then at the end of the operation,scrub with antiseptic solution using a sterile swab will be done, sampling of the vaginal walls and fornixes is prepared and transferred to the transport environment and Will be sent for microbial culture by one of the laboratory personnel.The operation site will be examined for local complications such as burning, inflammation, redness, scaling, and ulceration:immediately after the use of antiseptic, at the end of the operation, and in the morning after the operation by a trained nurse and will be recorded in the data sheet.

#### **Category**

Treatment - Surgery

### 2

#### **Description**

Control group: Povidine iodine 10%.In each patient in three stages, before the operation, immediately after the operation (in the first minute) and then at the end of the operation,scrub with antiseptic solution using a sterile swab will be done, sampling of the vaginal walls and fornixes is prepared and transferred to the transport environment and Will be sent for microbial culture by one of the laboratory personnel.The operation site will be examined for local complications such as burning, inflammation, redness, scaling, and ulceration:immediately after the use of antiseptic, at the end of the operation, and in the morning after the operation by a trained nurse and will be recorded in the data sheet.

#### **Category**

Treatment - Surgery

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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**

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**

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

**Statistical Analysis Plan**

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be 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