

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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### The comparison of the effect of Agomalatin and Placebo on symptoms of obsession in resistant obsessive compulsive disorder patients

#### Protocol summary

##### Study aim

Evaluation of the effect of agomelatin on patients with resistant obsessive compulsive disorder

##### Design

Clinical trial with control group, with parallel groups, double-blind, randomized, phase 2 on 60 patients. NCSS (Number Cruncher statistical system) software and block random method are used to randomize the study.

##### Settings and conduct

Sixty patients with obsessive-compulsive disorder who have been referred to Ibn Sina Psychiatric Hospital (Shiraz, Iran) will be included in the study during 2020. Physicians, patients, and drug deliverer will blind to the allocation of intervention. It should be noted that the drugs' containers is the same. Additionally, placebo tablet is similar to agomelatine tablet regarding the color and shape

##### Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Patients with refractory obsessive-compulsive disorder whose have Y-BOCS questionnaire score is higher than 15; have no other psychiatric disorder. Exclusion criteria: pregnancy; use of the concomitant psychotherapy.

##### Intervention groups

Intervention group: 25 mg of agomelatine tablets per night + sertraline 100 mg daily for 12 weeks. Control group: placebo tablets per night+ sertraline 100 mg daily for 12 weeks

##### Main outcome variables

Severity of obsession based on Y-BOCS questionnaire

#### General information

##### Reason for update

##### Acronym

##### IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20190726044339N3**

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##### Registration date

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##### Recruitment status

**Recruitment complete**

##### Funding source

##### Expected recruitment start date

2020-11-21, 1399/09/01

##### Expected recruitment end date

2021-05-22, 1400/03/01

##### Actual recruitment start date

empty

##### Actual recruitment end date

empty

##### Trial completion date

empty

##### Scientific title

The comparison of the effect of Agomalatin and Placebo on symptoms of obsession in resistant obsessive compulsive disorder patients

##### Public title

The effect of Agomalatin on resistant obsessive compulsive disorder patients

##### Purpose

Treatment

##### Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

**Inclusion criteria:**

Patients with resistant obsessive-compulsive disorder who have not taken any medication for 3 months before the start of the study Score of the Yale-Brown Obsessive Compulsive Scale (Y-BOCS) above 15

**Exclusion criteria:**

Having other psychiatric disorder Pregnancy and lactation Having Hepatic disorder Receive concomitant psychotherapy

**Age**

No age limit

**Gender**

Both

**Phase**

2-3

**Groups that have been masked**

- Participant
- Care provider
- Investigator
- Outcome assessor

**Sample size**

Target sample size: **60**

**Randomization (investigator's opinion)**

Randomized

**Randomization description**

The researcher will enroll participants based on convenience sampling method. NCCSS software (Number Cruncher Statistical System) and block randomization method will be used for randomization in the study. In the block randomization method, participants will categorize into 6 blocks (AABB, ABAB, BBAA, BABA, ABBA, BAAB), each block containing 4 participants. In this study, "A" will assign to the drug group and "B" to the placebo group, for example: in the "ABAB" block, the first person enters the drug group, the second person enters the placebo group, the third person enters the drug group, and the fourth person enters the placebo group. Thus, all eligible participants will randomly be assigned to one of the study arms according to the randomization list.

**Blinding (investigator's opinion)**

Double blinded

**Blinding description**

Physicians, patients, and drug deliverer will blind to the allocation of intervention. It should be noted that the drugs' containers is the same. Additionally, placebo pill is similar to agomelatin pill regarding the color and shape

**Placebo**

Used

**Assignment**

Parallel

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

empty

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

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2020-04-16, 1399/01/28

**Ethics committee reference number**

IR.SUMS.MED.REC.1399.039

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

obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD)

**ICD-10 code**

F42

**ICD-10 code description**

Obsessive-compulsive disorder

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

Obsession severity

**Timepoint**

At the beginning of the study and at the 12th week

**Method of measurement**

Yale-Brown Obsessive Compulsive Scale (Y-BOCS)

**Secondary outcomes**

empty

**Intervention groups****1****Description**

Intervention group: agomelatin 25 mg one tablet per night with 100 mg of sertraline daily for 12 weeks

**Category**

Treatment - Drugs

**2****Description**

Control group: One placebo tablet every night with a daily intake of 100 mg of sertraline for twelve weeks

**Category**

Placebo

## 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?**

Yes

**Title of funding source**

Shiraz 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**

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