

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Evaluating the effect of inofolic supplementation on depression in Polycystic ovarian syndrome women with mild to moderate depression

Protocol summary

Study aim

Valuating the effect of inofolic supplementation on depression in Polycystic ovarian syndrome women with mild to moderate depression

Design

This study was designed as a single-blinded randomized clinical trial with parallel groups and a sample size of 106 people in each group.

Settings and conduct

The study will be conducted at Arash Women's Hospital on women with PCO. Patients who signed informed consent will be randomly divided into two groups. The first group received inofolic powder twice a day for 12 weeks and the second group did not receive any intervention. The level of depression is determined before and after the intervention and the changes in the level of depression are compared in the two groups. The evaluator of the results and the statistician are unaware of the type of intervention

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Exclusion criteria: Smoking, Taking folate supplements in the last 3 months, Metabolic and thyroid disorders, Hyperprolactinemia, Hypercortisolemia, Severe depression, Use of drugs affecting the nervous system (such as antidepressants and anti-anxiety drugs), Insulin use, Lack of blood sugar control, Intense physical activity, Pregnancy, Lactation, History of mental health problems in first degree relatives, Other diseases in addition to depression

Intervention groups

Intervention group: Inofolic Powder twice daily for 12 weeks
Control group: without intervention

Main outcome variables

Changes in the level of depression

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20110731007165N11**

Registration date: **2020-12-25, 1399/10/05**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2021-01-09, 1399/10/20

Expected recruitment end date

2022-03-21, 1401/01/01

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Evaluating the effect of inofolic supplementation on depression in Polycystic ovarian syndrome women with mild to moderate depression

Public title

Valuating the effect of inofolic supplementation on depression in Poly cystic ovarian syndrome women

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

18-40 years With mild to moderate depression BMI <= 30

Exclusion criteria:

Smoking Taking folate supplements in the last 3 months
Metabolic and thyroid disorders Hyperprolactinemia
Hypercortisolemia Severe depression Use of drugs affecting the nervous system (such as antidepressants and anti-anxiety drugs) Insulin use Lack of blood sugar control Intense physical activity Pregnancy Lactation History of mental health problems in first degree relatives, Other diseases in addition to depression

Age

From **18 years** old to **40 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

- Investigator
- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size

Target sample size: **106**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

The randomization list (block randomization list) will be prepared by the statistician. Treatments will be placed in sealed envelopes and will be kept by the out-of-study nurse. After identification of the eligibility of the patient, the procedure will be explained to her and informed consent will be obtained. The intervention will be performed by the kind of intervention in the envelope.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

Blinding description

Completion of the final information is up to the person who is unaware of the type of treatment and also the specialist will be blind. But the patient knows the type of intervention.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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2020-12-12, 1399/09/22

Ethics committee reference number

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Depression

ICD-10 code

F32.8

ICD-10 code description

Other depressive episodes

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Changes in the level of depression

Timepoint

Before and after intervention

Method of measurement

Hamilton Depression Rating Scale (HDRS)

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

The blood tests for LDH, HDL, Total cholesterol, TG, BMI, waist hip ratio, fasting glucose and insulin

Timepoint

Before and after the intervention

Method of measurement

The blood test

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Inofolic Powder twice daily for 12 weeks

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: Without intervention

Category

N/A

Recruitment centers

1

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Name of 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

Tehran 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)

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

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Data Dictionary

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