

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Effect of combined Paracetamol(Apotel) and Dexamethasone versus Paracetamol(Apotel) on post operative nausea vomiting after cesarean section

Protocol summary

Study aim

Effect of combined Paracetamol(Apotel) and Dexamethasone versus Paracetamol(Apotel) on post operative nausea vomiting after cesarean section

Design

Clinical trial with 2 parallel groups, double blind, randomised, phase 3 on 100 patients, in block randomization method with the size of 4 and 6, Random sequence will be generated by running an online program in sealed envelope website (<https://www.sealedenvelope.com/>).

Settings and conduct

This is a double blind clinical trial study with 100 patients referred to Taleghani hospital. They will be divided into 2 groups (Apotel and combined Apotel-Dexamethasone) randomly.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Age between 18-45 years Having informed consent Having ASA I and II (American Society of Anesthesiologists) Nulliparous Singleton pregnancy Patients with elective cesarean Patients with spinal anesthesia Patients with Pfannenstiel incision in surgery. Non-inclusion criteria: Underlying disease (i.e renal, liver, cardiac and pulmonary disease) History of allergy to the drugs of study Addiction or long term using of opiate Coagulopathy or use of anticoagulant drugs Disability for pain scoring Suffering from preeclampsia or HELLP (hemolysis, elevated liver enzymes, low platelet count) or eclampsia or hepatitis Urgency cesarean section

Intervention groups

In first group 2 cc of distilled water and in second group 8 mg of Dexamethasone 30 minutes before spinal anesthesia and in both groups 1 gr of Apotel immediately after spinal anesthesia will be intravenously injected to the patients.

Main outcome variables

Vomiting score and happening of nausea after

cesarean section till 24 hours

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20201028049175N6**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2021-02-19, 1399/12/01

Expected recruitment end date

2021-08-23, 1400/06/01

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Effect of combined Paracetamol(Apotel) and Dexamethasone versus Paracetamol(Apotel) on post operative nausea vomiting after cesarean section

Public title

Evaluation of anti analgesic and anti inflammatory drugs effect on decreasing of post operative nausea vomiting after cesarean section

Purpose

Prevention

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

Age between 18-45 years Having informed consent Having ASA I and II Nulliparous Singleton pregnancy Patients with elective cesarean Patients with spinal anesthesia Patients with Pfannenstiel incision in surgery.

Exclusion criteria:

Underlying disease (i.e renal, liver, cardiac and pulmonary disease) History of allergy to the drugs of study Addiction or long term using of opiate Coagulopathy or use of anticoagulant drugs Disability for pain scoring Suffering from preeclampsia or HELLP or eclampsia or hepatitis Urgency cesarean section

Age

From **18 years** old to **45 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Investigator

Sample size

Target sample size: **100**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

To create simple random sequences web randomization (com.graphpad.www) dual group and for concealment, closed envelope method with random sequence (SNOSE) will be used. Random sequences will be recorded on the cards and then sequentially put in the envelopes. In order to preserve random sequences the outer surface of the envelopes are numbered, respectively. Finally, the lid of the letter envelopes was pasted and it is placed inside the boxes, respectively. At the time of participants registration, one of the envelopes will be opened and the allocation group, will be revealed.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

Patients blindness: According to injecting of Dexamethasone in one group of study 30 minutes before spinal anesthesia, in another group distilled water will be injected to the patients in same time and measure. Researcher blindness: Drugs will be ordered by specialist, so the researcher who filled the check lists is

blind.

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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2021-01-03, 1399/10/14

Ethics committee reference number

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

Nausea and vomiting after cesarean

ICD-10 code

R11

ICD-10 code description

Nausea and vomiting

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

Nausea happening after cesarean section until 24 hours after surgery

Timepoint

In recovery room and 2,4,6,12,24 hours after surgery

Method of measurement

Asking of patient

2**Description**

Vomiting score after cesarean section until 24 hours after surgery

Timepoint

In recovery room and 2,4,6,12,24 hours after surgery

Method of measurement

VAS (Visual Analog Scale) score

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group:8 mg of Dexamethasone (Daroo pakhsh company) intravenously will be injected to the patients, 30 minutes before spinal anesthesia and 1 gr of Apotel (Exir company) intravenously will be injected immediately after spinal anesthesia.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group:2 cc of distilled water intravenously will be injected to the patients, 30 minutes before spinal anesthesia and 1 gr of Apotel (Exir company)intravenously will be injected immediately after spinal anesthesia.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

1

Recruitment center

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

Arak 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