

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of the effectiveness of basil capsules on the quality of life of postmenopausal women

Protocol summary

Study aim

Determining the effectiveness of basilicum L Ocimum capsule on the quality of life of postmenopausal women

Design

Clinical trial with intervention and control groups with parallel, double-blind, randomized groups was performed on 88 patients. Blocked randomization was performed using software.

Settings and conduct

The setting was Alborz University clinics. This study was double-blind (the researcher and the patients).

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Postmenopausal women, married, 45-65 years. Exclusion criteria: the history of cancer and/or chemotherapy, premature menopause; consumption of psychiatric drugs; allergies to the group of Lamiaceae plants

Intervention groups

In the intervention group, eligible postmenopausal women took 250 mg basilicum L Ocimum capsules twice a day for 4 weeks. In the control group, placebo capsules were given in the same way. The shape, size, weight, and color of the placebo were exactly the same as the main capsule.

Main outcome variables

Quality of life of postmenopausal women

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20180110038302N7**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

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Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Comparison of the effectiveness of basil capsules on the quality of life of postmenopausal women

Public title

The effect of basil capsule on the quality of life of postmenopausal women

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Postmenopausal women Married 45-65 years

Exclusion criteria:

premature menopause
History of malignancies or chemotherapy
History of mental illness or history of taking neuroleptics
Sensitive to the group of mint plants

Age

From **45 years** old to **65 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Investigator

Sample size

Target sample size: **88**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Block Balance Randomization (quadruple) was accomplished with software. In this method size of all blocks was equal. In this study with a sample size of 88, the number of blocks was 22 and the size of each block was 4. The number of participants in the control and intervention groups was equal (44 in each group).

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

To blind the participants, the capsules were completely similar and there was no difference between the capsules of the placebo and the capsules containing the basil plant.

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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Ethics committee reference number**Health conditions studied****1****Description of health condition studied**

Menopausal symptoms and quality of life

ICD-10 code

N95.1

ICD-10 code description

Menopausal and female climacteric states

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

Quality of life of postmenopausal women

Timepoint

Before intervention and 28 and 60 days after starting consumption

Method of measurement

Postmenopausal women quality of life questionnaire

Secondary outcomes

empty

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

Intervention group: patients receive 250 mg capsules of basil containing sifted plant powder for one month and twice a day. The capsules are made by the researcher himself.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2**Description**

Control group: people take placebo. Placebo capsules are similar to the original medicine capsule and should be taken in the same number.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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Yes
Title of funding source
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100
Public or private sector
Public
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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

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Statistical Analysis Plan

Not applicable

Informed Consent Form

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

Clinical Study Report

Not applicable

Analytic Code

Not applicable

Data Dictionary

Not applicable