

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Evaluation of the effect of low level laser in the treatment of class II patients with mandibular deficiency treated with Farmand functional appliance

Protocol summary

Study aim

study the effect of low level laser in the treatment of class II patients with mandibular deficiency treated with Farmand functional appliance

Design

Clinical trial, with two groups (Farmand, Farmand+laser), factorial groups, double-blind, randomized on 22 patients. Graph pad software will be used for randomization.

Settings and conduct

The study is performed in Shahid Sadouqi Dental School of Yazd. After construction of Farmand appliance, lateral cephalometric radiography is taken for each patient. Patients of first group (Farmand) use only the functional appliance. For second group (Farmand+laser) after 1 month of using the appliance until the end of treatment, once a week (12 sessions) laser (GaAlAs 980nm diode) is irradiated at 4 points around the TMJ and 100 seconds for each point. After the period of functional therapy (6 months) radiographs are taken again from all patients and then we measure specific quantities in the pre and post treatment radiographs. Except the laser device operator, patients (in first group, laser applicator without radiation are placed), therapist, researcher and data analyst are unaware of which patient receive the laser.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion: 1- Age range 10 to 13 years for girls and 11 to 14 years for boys 2- Patient's profile in clinical view shows the pattern of skeletal class II with mandibular deficiency. 3- Dental canine and molar class II relationship. Non inclusion: 1- History of diseases affecting the growth process 2- History of jaw surgery 3- History of trauma to skull and face

Intervention groups

Control group (11 patients) is treated with Farmand appliance and intervention group (11 patients), in addition

to Farmand appliance, also receive laser irradiation.

Main outcome variables

More growth of mandible in laser group (increase of Co-Gn variable in laser group compared to Farmand group)

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

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empty

Scientific title
Evaluation of the effect of low level laser in the treatment of class II patients with mandibular deficiency treated with Farmand functional appliance

Public title
The effect of low level laser on mandibular growth in patients treated with functional appliance

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
Age range 10 to 13 years for girls and 11 to 14 years for boys The patient profile in clinical view show the pattern of skeletal class II with mandibular deficiency so that the patient with retrognathic appearance has more acceptance profile after bringing the mandible forward. The patient has dental canine and molar class II relationship
Exclusion criteria:
History of disease affected the growth process History of jaw surgery History of trauma to skull and face

Age
From **10 years** old to **14 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Care provider
- Investigator
- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size
Target sample size: **22**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
First, using Random allocation software version 1.0 under Windows ,we generate a random sequence using a simple random allocation method. In this table, it is specified from 1 to 22 and each number is assigned to an intervention group (A or B). The first eligible patient is assigned number 1, the second patient is assigned number 2 and so on up to 22 patients. In order to blind the random allocation of clients by a third person who is unaware of the interventions, they are placed in intervention groups (A or B) by this table.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Double blinded

Blinding description
In our study, patients are unaware of which group they are in (Farmand group or Farmand + laser group) because all patients, even those who does not include

laser receiving, are in the same situation to receive the laser, except that we placed the applicator of laser in specific places, but without laser radiation. In this study, with the exception of the laser device operator (who is aware of the laser irradiation or non-irradiation), the researcher (who is also responsible for treating the patients), the data collector, and the statistics consultant, who is responsible for analyzing the data, all are unaware of which group each patient belonged to.

Placebo
Used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

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Name of ethics committee

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Ethics committee reference number

IR.SSU.REC.1398.025

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

mandibular deficiency

ICD-10 code

M27.0

ICD-10 code description

Developmental disorders of jaws

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Increase rate of Co-Gn variable

Timepoint

Measurement of Co-Gn variable at the beginning of study (before the start of intervention) and after the end of

functional appliance treatment period (after 6 months)

Method of measurement

Measurement on lateral cephalometric radiographs using a ruler and conveyor

2

Description

Increase rate of ANB variable

Timepoint

Measurement of ANB variable at the beginning of study (before the start of intervention) and after the end of functional appliance treatment period (after 6 months)

Method of measurement

Measurement on lateral cephalometric radiographs using a ruler and conveyor

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: After the Farmand functional appliances are made for each patient, they are trained to use the appliance 24 hours a day, except when eating, exercising, and brushing. The laser used in this study is diode (GaAlAs) (A.R.C. Laser, Deutschland, Nurburg) with a wavelength of 980 nm, the output power of 100 mw. After one month of using the appliance, until the end of treatment, once a week (12 sessions) laser with the above characteristics is irradiated. Radiation is performed accurately and continuously by contact method at 4 points around the temporomandibular joint (upper, anterior, posterior, posterior) and 100 seconds for each point.

Category

Treatment - Devices

2

Description

Control group: We place the patients in control group in the same conditions (constructing a functional appliance, training for use, starting treatment with a functional appliance and presence at laser treatment sessions) with the difference that we place only the laser applicator in the mentioned points but without laser radiation.

Category

Treatment - Devices

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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

Yazd 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

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Study Protocol

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Title and more details about the data/document

after unidentifying, It is possible to share all lateral cephalometric variables of patients before and after treatment.

When the data will become available and for how long

Start the access period 6 months after publishing the results

To whom data/document is available

Researchers working in academic and scientific institutions and valid scientific research journals

Under which criteria data/document could be used

In order to use the documents of this study for other studies and researches to apply the results

From where data/document is obtainable

Responsible person in this field: Mohadeseh Sharifi ,
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What processes are involved for a request to access

data/document

The applicant can send his request to the above-mentioned email address with his introduction and the

reason for the request and receive the information as soon as possible (finally within 7-10 days).

Comments