

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of anticandidal efficacy of Silver Diamine Fluoride and Chlorhexidine in children with severe early childhood caries

Protocol summary

Study aim

Evaluating anticandidal effect of Silver Diamine Fluoride versus Chlorhexidine in children with severe early childhood caries

Design

randomized clinical parallel group trial, single blind, with control group, phase 4 on 30 patients. for generation of random allocation sequence free website of "www.randomization.com" will be used.

Settings and conduct

Tooth decay is a common problem in children. beside streptococcus mutans which is the most common cariogen, candida albicans colonies are detected in cases of early childhood caries and a number of studies showed cariogenic characteristics for these colonies. the study will be conducted in pediatric department of babol dental university. after randomization and confirming positive culture of primary samples, clean and dry tooth surfaces will be treated with silver diamine fluoride or chlorhexidine and patients will receive oral hygiene instructions. 2 and 30 days after treatment patients will be followed up and plaque samples of each step would be sent to the laboratory for colony counting.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Healthy children with no systemic condition, younger than 5 years old, and with severe early childhood caries and positive fungal culture of dental plaque would be entered the study. Children who underwent either antibiotic, antifungal or fluoride therapy within the last 1 month, children with orthodontic or prosthodontic appliances or children with special health care needs and the ones with no written informed consent would be excluded from the study.

Intervention groups

There are 2 treatment groups: case group in which patients receive a single 38% Silver Diamine Fluoride Solution treatment and control group in which patient receive a single 1% Chlorhexidine gel treatment

Main outcome variables

Candida albicans colony count 2 and 30 days after the treatment

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

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empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Comparison of anticandidal efficacy of Silver Diamine Fluoride and Chlorhexidine in children with severe early childhood caries

Public title

Comparison of anticandidal efficacy of Silver Diamine Fluoride and Chlorhexidine in children with severe early childhood caries

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

Children younger than 5 years old Children with severe early childhood caries (according to defs scale) Healthy children with no systemic condition Children with positive Candida albicans culture of dental plaque

Exclusion criteria:

Children who underwent either antibiotic, antifungal or fluoride therapy (systemic or topical) within the last 1 month prior to the study children with orthodontic or prosthodontic appliances special health care needs children children with no written informed consent granted

Age

To 5 years old

Gender

Both

Phase

4

Groups that have been masked

- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size

Target sample size: **30**

More than 1 sample in each individual

Number of samples in each individual: **2**

2 dental plaque samples will be collected from each patient during pretreatment and follow up phases

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

The selected children were allocated into the 2 treatment groups by block randomization, through the generation of random allocation sequence using free website of "www.randomization.com", by pediatric section secretary. Allocation concealment was achieved with numbered, opaque and sealed envelopes containing the treatment allocation cards, which were prepared before the trial.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

Blinding description

Allocation concealment was achieved with numbered, opaque and sealed envelopes containing the treatment allocation cards, which were prepared before the trial. all dental plaque samples will be delivered to the lab with defined name tags (which only main researcher of the

study is aware of) and there is no information about treatment group attached to the sample tubes. this way the researcher who evaluates outcome and data analyzer stay blind. according to apparent different format of study drugs (solution vs gel) and also possibility of staining of decayed teeth after fluoride therapy with SDF, blinding of main researcher or study patients would not be possible.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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

Severe early childhood caries

ICD-10 code

K02.9

ICD-10 code description

Dental caries, unspecified

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

Dental plaque Candida albicans colony count 2 and 30 days after treatment

Timepoint

Dental plaque colony count of Candida at beginning of the study (before the intervention) and 2 and 30 days after treatment with Silver Diamine Fluoride or

Chlorhexidine

Method of measurement

candida colony count

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

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Description

Intervention group: Single topical treatment with 38% Silver Diamine Fluoride solution (Fagamin , Tedequim Argentina)

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: Single topical treatment with 1% Chlorhexidine gel (Corsodyl , GlaxoSmithKline U.K.)

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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1

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Grant code / Reference number

Is the source of funding the same sponsor organization/entity?

Yes

Title of funding source

Babol 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)

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

antifungal effects of silver diamine fluoride all collected deidentified IPD are would be shared

When the data will become available and for how long

The data will become available 6 months after publication

To whom data/document is available

people working in businesses can also apply to receive it

Under which criteria data/document could be used

people working in businesses can apply to receive the data to update their policies in producing caries preventive materials

From where data/document is obtainable

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What processes are involved for a request to access data/document

one would have access to the data around 1 month after requesting via email

Comments