

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The effect of Empagliflozine on the Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus

Protocol summary

Study aim

investigating the effect of empagliflozin on non-alcoholic fatty liver in type 2 diabetic patients referred to Loghman Hakim Hospital in 1400

Design

Sampling method: The non-probability sampling method will be targeted. In this way, random method is not used in selecting patients in each group, but from the available patients, patients in each group will be selected based on the researcher's judgment up to the specified volume (70 people in each group) according to the purpose of the study.

Settings and conduct

The present study, after obtaining permission from the ethics committee of Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences and the consent of the head of the internal department of Loghman Hakim Hospital, will be conducted as a clinical trial on 140 type 2 diabetic patients referred to the endocrine / diabetes / gastrointestinal clinic in 1400. Patients are equally divided into control and treatment groups. In the treatment group, in addition to the standard treatment, they will receive 10 mg of Empagliflozin daily for 6 months. In the control group, patients received only standard treatment and did not receive Empagliflozin.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Patients with type 2 diabetes in the age group of 20 to 70 years who are candidates for treatment with Empagliflozin. No history of Empagliflozin use -GFR> 35ml / min / 1.73mn² -HbA1c≤7.5%

Intervention groups

Patients with type 2 diabetes and fatty liver treated with empagliflozin and placebo

Main outcome variables

Practical goals: 1.determining the level of insulin level,alt,ast,alkp,GGT,billi,FBS,HbA1c before and 3 and 6 months after the start of treatment 2.determining the degree of fatty liver by U.S and MRI before and 3 and 6 months after start if treatment 3.determining weight and

BMI before and 3 and 6 months after start of treatment

General information

Reason for update

Due to the spread of corona virus and lack of regular visits of patients to the clinic and the lack of a trend to treat diabetes with pioglitazone,the control group was tested with a placebo drug instead of pioglitazone,which did not contain empagliflozin and was prepared by a pharmaceutical company and available to type 2 diabetes patients with non alcoholics fatty liver who were under standard diabetes treatment.

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20210811052150N1**
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Registration date

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2021-08-11, 1400/05/20
Expected recruitment end date
2022-05-10, 1401/02/20
Actual recruitment start date
2021-08-11, 1400/05/20
Actual recruitment end date
2022-03-11, 1400/12/20
Trial completion date
2022-09-11, 1401/06/20

Scientific title
The effect of Empagliflozine on the Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus

Public title
effect of Empagliflozine on the Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
Patients with type 2 diabetes in the age group of 20 to 70 years who are candidates for treatment with Empagliflozine No history of using Empagliflozine GFR>35ml/min/1.7m² HbA1c≤7.5% Satisfaction of patients or their legal guardians to attend the study and continue it
Exclusion criteria:
History of advanced liver and kidney disease Cardiac surgery or angioplasty planned within the last 3 months Bariatric surgery in last 2 years and other gastrointestinal surgeries that cause chronic malabsorption Bleeding or any disorder in causing hemolysis or unstable red blood cells(such as malaria) Medical history of cancer(except basal cell cancer)or cancer treatment in the last 5 years treatment with anti-obesity drugs in the 3 months prior to informed consent or any other treatment at the time of screening(i.e. surgery;aggressive dieting;etc)that results in an unstable body weight current treatment with systemic steroids or any uncontrolled endocrine disorder other than type 2 diabetes consumption of alcohol or drugs in the last 3 months patients who during the treatment,another drug to control blood sugar was added to their treatment

Age
From **20 years** old to **70 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
2-3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Care provider
- Outcome assessor

Sample size
Target sample size: **140**
Actual sample size reached: **120**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
Randomization will be simple and for each patient

according to labeling initial amounts of the placebo (control group) and Empagliflozine(treatment group),using a randomized number chart.these same numbers will be written and sealed,and placed in a box for allocation concealment.The course of treatment for each patient will be selected by choosing the random numbers concealed in the box at the beginning of the study.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

In this study,blinding will be done for the patients as well as part of the researchers who have the role of clinical caregivers and outcome assessors by coding packages containing empagliflozin and placebo which are apparently the same.Then these codes will be the number of patients in one envelope,will be cast and chosen randomly.

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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2021-08-10, 1400/05/19

Ethics committee reference number

IR.SBMU.MSP.REC.1400.287

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease

ICD-10 code

K75.81

ICD-10 code description

Nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH)

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Degree of fatty liver in MRI

Timepoint

Before treatment and six months after treatment

Method of measurement

MRI

2

Description

body mass index

Timepoint

before and three and six months after treatment

Method of measurement

Kg/m²

3

Description

fasting blood sugar

Timepoint

before and three and six months after treatment

Method of measurement

blood sampling

4

Description

HbA1c

Timepoint

before and three and six months after treatment

Method of measurement

blood sampling

5

Description

the level of liver transaminases

Timepoint

before and three and six months after treatment

Method of measurement

blood sampling

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Patients with Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver disease and type 2 Diabetes are under intervention with Empagliflozin at a dose of 10 and 25 mg based on FBS and HbA1c for 6 months and after 3 and 6 months in terms of FBS, HbA1c, AST, ALT, ALKP and degree of fatty liver they are examined in MRI and ultrasound.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: Patients with Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver disease and type 2 Diabetes under standard diabetes treatment with placebo drug that did not contain empagliflozin based on FBS and HbA1c are monitored for 6 months in terms of FBS, HbA1c, AST, ALT, ALKP and liver grade fat is checked in MRI and ultrasound

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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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

Shahid Beheshti 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)**

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

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