

Clinical Trial Protocol

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A Comparison of the effect of dexmedetomidine and remifentanyl on analgesia and respiratory parameters in patients undergoing stereotactic brain biopsy

Protocol summary

Study aim

Comparison of the effect of dexmedetomidine and remifentanyl on sedation analgesia and respiratory parameters in patients undergoing stereotactic biopsy

Design

The aim was to compare the efficacy of dexmedetomidine and remifentanyl on sedation, hemodynamic changes, analgesia, respiration, and recovery during stereotactic brain biopsy. 40 patients are randomly divided into two groups based on admission criteria. Time to reach sedation scale (Ramsey 2-4), hemodynamic and respiratory changes, analgesia, and recovery from sedation are recorded. The person injecting and recording the information does not know the grouping of patients and the study is done as a blind.

Settings and conduct

Preoperative assessment, standard monitoring, G18 catheter, 2 liters of oxygen per minute, and the necessary equipment in difficult airways, the necessary tools for rapid opening of the form. Installation of stereotactic frame under local anesthesia of the scalp with 20 cc of 1.5% lidocaine and 50 mic /IV fentanyl and MRI. Group D: Intravenous dexmedetomidine 0.5 mic / kg loading dose: for 10 minutes and then 0.5 mic / kg / h by infusion pump Group R: Remifentanyl, 1mic / kg IV bolus then 0.05 -0.2mic / kg / min IV by infusion pump With the aim of sedation with Ramsey 2-4. Recording of hemodynamic and unwanted complications during the procedure. Discontinue injection in case of Brady Penne (RR <8), Apnea > 15 seconds, SPO2 <94%.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion: 18-50 years old, normal liver and kidney, no drug addiction. Exclusion: comorbidities, brainstem lesions, intubated patients.

Intervention groups

Remifentanyl (Mylan): 1mic/kg intravenous bolus and then 0.05 -0.2 mic/kg/ minute by infusion pump.

Dexmedetomidine (elixir): 0.5 mic / kg /IV for 10 minutes and then 0.5 micr/kg/ hour by infusion pump

Main outcome variables

saturation, Sedation, recovery, analgesia

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2021-12-22, 1400/10/01

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Actual recruitment start date

empty
Actual recruitment end date
empty
Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
A Comparison of the effect of dexmedetomidine and remifentanyl on analgesia and respiratory parameters in patients undergoing stereotactic brain biopsy

Public title
A Comparison of the effect of dexmedetomidine and remifentanyl on analgesia and respiratory parameters in patients undergoing stereotactic brain biopsy

Purpose
Health service research

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Patients 18-50 years old candidate for stereotactic
Patients with supratentorial lesions with or without hydrocephalus
No dysfunction of the liver and kidneys
No drug addiction
Consent to participate in the study

Exclusion criteria:

BMI >35 or <16
mental disorder
Uncontrolled epilepsy
Alcohol and drug abuse
Having a comorbid condition such as high blood pressure
History of chronic pain
Patients with brainstem lesions
Intubated patients

Age
From **18 years** old to **50 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
2

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Care provider
- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size
Target sample size: **40**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
En Permuted Randomized Blocks :In this method, 10 random blocks are generated by computer. Each block includes 5 people in the intervention group and 5 people in the control group. The order of these people is randomly arranged by computer and people are assigned to groups in the same way. At the end of each block, a new block of 10 is produced and this process will continue until the final sample volume is reached.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Single blinded

Blinding description
Forms with numbers 1 and 2 are used in packaged envelopes to group patients, which are given to patients randomly and patients do not know about the envelopes. After entering the envelope operating room by the anesthesiologist in charge of the patient Opened and according to the intervention group, the drug that was

prepared in advance is given to the clinical caregiver for injection. The clinical caregiver is not aware of the grouping. The evaluator and recorder of the results and the person analyzing the data are also unaware of the grouping.

Placebo
Not used
Assignment
Parallel
Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

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Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Stereotactic biopsy

ICD-10 code

ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Hemodynamic parameters

Timepoint

Every 5 minutes from the moment you enter the operating room

Method of measurement

monitoring

2

Description

Respiratory parameters

Timepoint

Every 5 minutes from the moment you enter the operating room

Method of measurement
monitoring

3

Description

Sedation

Timepoint

Every 5 minutes from the moment you enter the operating room

Method of measurement

Ramssy Criteria

4

Description

Analgesia

Timepoint

Every 5 minutes from the moment you enter the operating room

Method of measurement

VAS criteria

5

Description

Recovery from sedation

Timepoint

Every 10 minutes after the procedure

Method of measurement

Aldert criteria

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

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Description

First, under local anesthesia of the scalp with 20 cc of 1.5% lidocaine and 50 micrograms of intravenous fentanyl, a stereotactic form is installed for the patient and the patient is transferred to radiology for MRI. Then 2 liters of oxygen per minute with a mask, 5 cc of normal saline per hour and 0.003 mg per kg of intravenous midazolam are given. Group D receive intravenous dexmedetomidine at the rate of 0.5 micrograms per kg per 10 minutes for 10 minutes. Then 0.5 micrograms per kilogram per hour is given by the infusion pump during the procedure.

Category

N/A

2

Description

First, under local anesthesia of the scalp with 20 cc of 1.5% lidocaine and 50 micrograms of intravenous fentanyl, a stereotactic form is installed for the patient

and the patient is transferred to radiology for MRI. Then 2 liters of oxygen per minute with a mask, 5 cc of normal saline per hour and 0.003 mg per kg of intravenous midazolam are administered. Group R Remifentanyl 1 microgram per kilogram of bolus and then 0.05 to 0.2 micrograms per kilogram. Receives grams per minute by infusion pump.

Category

N/A

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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
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

En All data(questionnaire and the Excel file) can be shared after identifying individuals.

When the data will become available and for how long

Start access 6 months after printing results

To whom data/document is available

En Researchers working in academic institutions

Under which criteria data/document could be used

En If the study is conducted in a larger area between several hospitals

From where data/document is obtainable

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

En After identifying the people, the questionnaire and

the Excel file will be sent via e-mail within a week.
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