

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Clinical trial of the effect of fish oil supplementation compared with the placebo on mental health parameters and biomarkers of oxidative stress in women with polycystic ovary syndrome

Protocol summary

Summary

Objective: The aim of this study is to determine the effects of fish oil supplementation on mental health parameters and biomarkers of oxidative stress in patients with polycystic ovary syndrome. Study design: Parallel double-blind (both patients and researchers) randomized controlled clinical trial. Random assignment will be done by the use of computer-generated random numbers. Inclusion criteria: Patients with polycystic ovary syndrome and aged 18 to 40 years will be included in this study. Exclusion criteria: Unwillingness to cooperate will be excluded in the study. Population and sample size: 60 patients with polycystic ovary syndrome of eligible and referred to Kosar Clinic affiliated to Arak University of Medical Sciences, Arak, Iran in the study will be selected. Intervention: Patients will be assigned to receive either fish oil (n=30) or placebo (n=30). Fish oil and placebo capsules are similar in shape and size. Fasting blood samples will be taken at baseline and 12 weeks after the intervention. At the beginning and end of the intervention: 12 weeks. Outcomes: Mental health parameters (primary outcomes) and biomarkers of oxidative stress will be quantified at study baseline and end-of-trial.

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Vice chancellor for research, Arak University of Medical Sciences

Expected recruitment start date

2016-04-20, 1395/02/01

Expected recruitment end date

2016-05-09, 1395/02/20

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Clinical trial of the effect of fish oil supplementation compared with the placebo on mental health parameters and biomarkers of oxidative stress in women with polycystic ovary syndrome

Public title

Effect of supplementation in treatment of women with polycystic ovary syndrome

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Patients with PCOS according to Rotterdam criteria; aged 18 to 40 years. Exclusion criteria: Unwillingness to cooperate.

Age

From **18 years** old to **40 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

2

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **60**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Not randomized

Randomization description

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Random assignment will be done by the use of computer-generated random numbers.

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

Ethics committee of Arak University of Medical Sciences

Street address

Vice chancellor for research, Arak University of Medical Sciences, Sardasht Avenue, Arak

City

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Approval date

2016-04-25, 1395/02/06

Ethics committee reference number

IR.ARAKMU.REC.1395.23

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Polycystic ovary syndrome

ICD-10 code

E28.2

ICD-10 code description

Polycystic ovarian syndrome

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Beck score

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and after 12 weeks of intervention

Method of measurement

Questionnaire

2

Description

GHQ score

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and after 12 weeks of intervention

Method of measurement

Questionnaire

3

Description

DASS-28 score

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and after 12 weeks of intervention

Method of measurement

Questionnaire

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Total antioxidant

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and after 12 weeks of intervention

Method of measurement

Spectrophotometry

2

Description

Glutathione

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and after 12 weeks of intervention

Method of measurement

Spectrophotometry

3

Description

Malondialdehyde

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and after 12 weeks of intervention

Method of measurement

Spectrophotometry

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: 1000 mg fish oil (Barij Essence, Kashan, Iran), twice a day, for 12 weeks orally.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: Placebo (Barij Essence, Kashan, Iran), twice a day, for 12 weeks orally.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

1

Recruitment center

Name of recruitment center

Kosar Clinic

Full name of responsible person

Mehri Jamilian

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Sponsors / Funding sources

1

Sponsor

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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

Vice chancellor for research, Arak University of Medical Sciences

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

empty

Domestic or foreign origin

empty

Category of foreign source of funding

empty

Country of origin

Type of organization providing the funding

empty

Person responsible for general inquiries

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

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Study Protocol

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Statistical Analysis Plan

empty
Informed Consent Form
empty
Clinical Study Report
empty

Analytic Code
empty
Data Dictionary
empty