

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Evaluation of gene expression, methylation and secretory level of cytokines and inflammatory chemokines in COPD patients receiving nanocurcumin supplementation compared with patients receiving placebo

Protocol summary

cytokines IL-1, IL-6, IL-18, IFN- γ and TNF- α and Chemokines CXCL8 and CCL2

Study aim

Evaluation of gene expression, methylation and secretory level of cytokines and inflammatory chemokines in COPD patients receiving nanocurcumin supplementation compared with patients receiving placebo

Design

30 patients with COPD receiving 80 mg of nanocurcumin daily for 90 days and 30 patients receiving placebo before and after the intervention will receive 10 cc of blood containing anticoagulant to isolate PBMC.

Settings and conduct

This project will be carried out in Tabriz University of Medical Sciences.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion Criteria: Diagnosed with COPD with stage B, C, or D according to GOLD 2019. Age between 40-75 years old. Both genders. Smoker or less than 6 months of smoking cessation time. Exclusion Criteria: Asthma and other pulmonary-related diseases and injuries (including lung tuberculosis, restrictive lung disease, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, or lung cancer). Acute and/or active infection. Cancer. Patients with complex cardiovascular diseases (including valvular heart disease, cardiomyopathy, arrhythmia, congenital heart disease, hypertrophy syndrome). Liver and kidney failure. Pregnancy. Patients with life expectancy less than 6 months due to concomitant illness. Under immunosuppressive treatment within 8 weeks of the first screening visit.

Intervention groups

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Main outcome variables

gene expression, methylation and secretion levels of

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Registrant information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2022-04-03, 1401/01/14

Expected recruitment end date

2022-06-04, 1401/03/14

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty
Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Evaluation of gene expression, methylation and secretory level of cytokines and inflammatory chemokines in COPD patients receiving nanocurcumin supplementation compared with patients receiving placebo

Public title
Evaluation of gene expression, methylation and secretory level of cytokines and inflammatory chemokines in COPD patients receiving nanocurcumin supplementation compared with patients receiving placebo

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
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Age
No age limit

Gender
Both

Phase
3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Investigator

Sample size
Target sample size: 30

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Not randomized

Randomization description

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Double blinded

Blinding description
Participants and the lead researcher were unaware of medication or placebo in different patients.

Placebo
Used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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Ethics committee reference number

IR.TBZMED.REC.1400.767

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

ICD-10 code

J44

ICD-10 code description

Other chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

Primary outcomes

1

Description

IL-1

Timepoint

Day 0 and day 90 after receiving the drug

Method of measurement

ELISA and PCR

2

Description

CCL2

Timepoint

Day 0 and day 90 after receiving the drug

Method of measurement

ELISA and PCR

3

Description

CXCL8

Timepoint

Day 0 and day 90 after receiving the drug

Method of measurement

ELISA and PCR

4**Description**

IL-6

Timepoint

Day 0 and day 90 after receiving the drug

Method of measurement

ELISA and PCR

5**Description**

IL-18

Timepoint

Day 0 and day 90 after receiving the drug

Method of measurement

ELISA and PCR

6**Description**

IFN- γ

Timepoint

Day 0 and day 90 after receiving the drug

Method of measurement

ELISA and PCR

7**Description**

TNF- α

Timepoint

Day 0 and day 90 after receiving the drug

Method of measurement

ELISA and PCR

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups**1****Description**

Intervention group: Nanocurcumin recipient. From 30 patients with COPD receiving 80 mg of nanocurcumin daily for 90 days before and after the intervention, 10 cc of blood containing anticoagulant will be taken to isolate PBMC

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2**Description**

Control group: Placebo receiving group. From 30 patients with COPD receiving placebo daily for 90 days before and after the intervention, 10 cc of blood containing anticoagulant will be taken to isolate PBMC

Category

Placebo

Recruitment centers**1****Recruitment center****Name of recruitment center**

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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

Tabriz 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

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

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

Not applicable

Data Dictionary

Not applicable