

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of the effect of hypertonic and normal saline on the success of resuscitation in patients with septic shock during the first three hours of treatment

Protocol summary

Study aim

Reducing the effects of septic shock with early treatment with hypertonic saline.

Design

Clinical trial with control group, with parallel groups, double-blind, randomized, phase 3 on 52 patients. For randomization based on a random sequence created from www.randomization.com and the order in which patients enter the study, they will be included in the control or intervention group.

Settings and conduct

Using random sampling and intensive care units, patients with severe sepsis are randomly divided (using closed envelopes) into two groups of control and intervention. Optical nerve diameter and hemodynamic parameters and gasometric parameters in the first and second hours. The third treatment is recorded for comparison between the two groups. The subjects and the treating physician will be unaware of the intervention and control groups (double-blind).

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Patients with septic shock, age between 18-80 years. Exclusion criteria: Patient dissatisfaction, patients with incurable disseminated malignancy, patients with hyperthermia, patients receiving colloidal solutions and any volume limitation restrictions.

Intervention groups

In the intervention group, 5% hypertonic saline is prescribed at the beginning of septic shock treatment. In the control group, conventional resuscitation (isotonic saline serum) is performed. In both groups, optic nerve diameter is measured by ultrasound before saline administration (without placebo).

Main outcome variables

Hemodynamic parameters (HR, SBP, DBP, MAP, CVP) and gasometric parameters (PH, PaCO₂, PaO₂, HCO₃, BE,

Lactate) and optic nerve diameter at the beginning of the study and in the first and second and third hours of intervention (optic nerve diameter At the beginning of the third hour of intervention), they are measured, recorded and compared.

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

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Scientific title
Comparison of the effect of hypertonic and normal saline on the success of resuscitation in patients with septic shock during the first three hours of treatment

Public title
Comparison of the effect of hypertonic and normal saline on the success of resuscitation in patients with septic shock

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Patients with septic shock, Age between 80-18 years

Exclusion criteria:

Patient dissatisfaction, Patients with incurable disseminated malignancy, Patients with hypernatremia, Patients receiving colloidal solutions such as albumin, etc. Any volume-limiting restrictions such as irreversible heart failure

Age

From **18 years** old to **80 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size

Target sample size: **52**

More than 1 sample in each individual

Number of samples in each individual: **10**

The diameter of the optic nerve in both groups is measured and recorded by ultrasound before treatment and after 3 hours. Hemodynamic parameters (HR, SBP, DBP, MAP, CVP) and gasometric parameters during the first three hours of treatment are recorded for comparison in the two groups.

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

After obtaining informed consent from the patient's first-degree relatives, patients are randomly divided into control and intervention groups (using sealed envelopes). For randomization based on a random sequence created from www.randomization.com and the order in which patients enter the study, they will be included in the control or intervention group.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

The subjects and the treating physician will be unaware of the intervention and control groups

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

The diameter of the optic nerve in both groups is measured and recorded by ultrasound before treatment and after 3 hours.

Secondary Ids

empty

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1

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2021-12-14, 1400/09/23

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Septic shock

ICD-10 code

R57.2

ICD-10 code description

R57.2

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Hemodynamic parameters (heart rate, mean arterial pressure, systolic blood pressure, diastolic blood pressure, central venous pressure)

Timepoint

At the beginning of the patient's study and in the first, second and third hours of the intervention

Method of measurement

Hemodynamic parameters by monitoring device and Central venous pressure rulers are measured

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

1- Gasometric parameters 2- Optical nerve diameter

Timepoint

At the beginning of the patient's study and in the first, second and third hours of the intervention (optic nerve diameter at the beginning and the third hour of the intervention), they are measured, recorded and compared.

Method of measurement

Gasometer and sonography device

Intervention groups

1

Description

In the intervention group, 5% hypertonic saline is prescribed at the rate of 5 cc per kg of body weight at the beginning of septic shock treatment.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

In the control group, conventional resuscitation is performed (initial targeted treatment with 30 cc of isotonic saline per kilogram of body weight during the first 3 hours of septic shock).

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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Grant name

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

Yes

Title of funding source

Mashhad 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)

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

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Data Dictionary

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