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Comparison of Myeloablative versus Reduced-Intensity conditioning regimen before Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation in Measurable Residual Disease negative, 50 years or older patients with Acute Myeloid Leukemia, Myelodysplastic Syndromes and Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia: A phase III Randomized Controlled Trial.

Protocol summary

Study aim

Comparison of overall and disease-free survival in "minimal residual disease"-negative leukemia patients receiving a reduced-intensity regimen versus myeloablative regimen as conditioning regimen before hematopoietic stem cell transplantation.

Design

A phase 3 randomized controlled clinical trial, with 2 parallel groups, on 84 patients. For randomization, a balanced block randomization list will be used.

Settings and conduct

Leukemia patients candidates for allogeneic transplantation in the research institute of Oncology, Hematology and Cell Therapy who are eligible are randomly divided into two groups before transplantation, 1st group receives a reduced intensity conditioning regimen and 2nd group receives a myeloablative regimen before hematopoietic stem cell transplantation. After 1, 3, 6 and 12 months, flow cytometry will be performed to evaluate the minimal residual disease.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion Criteria: Patients from 50 to 65 years old, leukemia patients who are Measurable Residual Disease negative pre-transplant, patient and donor are allowed to be a full match (8/8), acceptable organ function
Exclusion Criteria: prior allogeneic stem cell transplantation, Karnofsky Performance Score < 70, patients with uncontrolled bacterial, viral or fungal infection

Intervention groups

Intervention group: (Reduced intensity) Fludarabine (ACTOVERCO): 30 mg/m²/day day -6 to -2 (before transplantation) and Busulfan (Nanoalvand): 3.2 mg/kg/day IV day -5 to -4; Control group: (Myeloablative)

Busulfan: 3.2 mg/kg/day IV day -6 to -3 and Cyclophosphamide (Baxter): 60 mg/kg/day IV day -2 to -1 (before transplantation)

Main outcome variables

18-month overall survival, disease free survival

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

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IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

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empty

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Scientific title

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Public title

Comparison of conditioning regimens before Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation in patients with Acute Leukemia.

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Patients from 50 to 65 years old Patients with diagnosis of Myelodysplastic Syndromes , Acute Myeloid Leukemia and Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia who are Measurable Residual Disease negative pre-transplant within 30 days of enrollment. Patient and donor are allowed to be a full match (8/8), or at least Human Leukocyte Antigens (HLA)-A, -B, -C and DRB1 matched. Cardiac function: Ejection Fraction \geq 40% Hepatic function: total bilirubin and Aspartate transaminase (AST) and alanine aminotransferase (ALT) \leq 2,5 x the upper limit of normal Pulmonary function: Forced expiratory volume (FEV1) \geq 50% Renal function: creatinine clearance $>$ 40 mL/min based on the Cockcroft-Gault formula Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation-specific Comorbidity Index (HCT-CI) score $<$ 4 Signed informed consent.

Exclusion criteria:

Prior allogeneic stem cell transplantation Symptomatic coronary artery disease Karnofsky Performance Score $<$ 70 Central nervous system involvement Patients with uncontrolled bacterial, viral or fungal infection Females who are pregnant or breastfeeding. Patients seropositive for human immunodeficiency virus.

Age

From **50 years** old to **65 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **84**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Assigning to the study groups is parallel; group 1 is considered the intervention group which will receive the reduced intensity conditioning regimen, and group 2 is the control group which will receive the myeloablative regimen. The balanced block randomization list will be generated through the research institute's web-based software; after entering the sample size 84 and considering the block size of 4, according to this balanced block randomization list, a sequence of numbers is created, and this sequence of numbers is defined in the system. If the patients meet the criteria of the study after obtaining informed consent, their national code will be entered into the system, and the software will announce the code of each patient.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

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Ethics committee reference number

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Acute Myeloblastic leukemia

ICD-10 code

C92.0

ICD-10 code description

Acute myeloblastic leukemia

2

Description of health condition studied

Myelodysplastic Syndromes

ICD-10 code

D46

ICD-10 code description

Myelodysplastic syndromes

3

Description of health condition studied

Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

ICD-10 code

C91.0

ICD-10 code description

Acute lymphoblastic leukemia [ALL]

Primary outcomes

1

Description

overall survival

Timepoint

Monthly for 18 months after transplantation

Method of measurement

Visiting the patient and performing monthly lab tests in outpatient clinic

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Disease Free survival after transplantation

Timepoint

1, 3, 6, 9, 12 and 18 months post transplant

Method of measurement

Bone marrow biopsy and aspiration and flowcytometry and chimerism.

2

Description

Transplant Related Mortality

Timepoint

Monthly for 18 months after transplantation

Method of measurement

Visiting the patient in person and performing monthly lab tests in outpatient clinic

3

Description

Incidence of acute graft versus host disease

Timepoint

Monthly for 4 months after transplantation

Method of measurement

Visiting the patient in person and performing monthly lab tests in outpatient clinic

4

Description

Incidence of chronic graft versus host disease

Timepoint

Monthly for 18 months after transplantation

Method of measurement

Visiting the patient in person and performing monthly lab tests in outpatient clinic

5

Description

Relapse Incidence

Timepoint

1, 3, 6, 9, 12 and 18 months post transplant

Method of measurement

Bone marrow biopsy and aspiration and flowcytometry and chimerism.

6

Description

Incidence of infectious complications post-transplant

Timepoint

Monthly for 18 months after transplantation

Method of measurement

Visiting the patient in person and performing monthly lab tests in outpatient clinic

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: patients with acute leukemia who are candidates for allogeneic Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation and are between 50-65 years old and Measurable Residual Disease negative will be included in the trial. After randomization, they will be transplanted according to the reduced-intensity conditioning regimen. Reduced-intensity conditioning regimen consists of: Fludarabine (ACTOVERCO): 30 mg/m²/day day -6 to -2 before transplantation and Busulfan (Nanoalvand): 3.2 mg/kg/day, from day -5 to -4 before transplantation.

Category

Treatment - Other

2

Description

Control group: patients with acute leukemia who are candidates for allogeneic Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation and are between 50-65 years and Measurable Residual Disease negative will be included in the trial. After randomization, they will be transplanted according to the myeloablative conditioning regimen. Myeloablative conditioning regimen consists of: Busulfan (Nanoalvand): 3.2 mg/kg/day, from day -6 to -3 and Cyclophosphamide (Baxter): 60 mg/kg/day, from day -2 to -1 before transplantation.

Category

Treatment - Other

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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

Tehran 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

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Sharing plan**Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)**

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Justification/reason for indecision/not sharing IPD

There is no further information

Study Protocol

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

No - There is not a plan to make this available