

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The Effect of Intravenous and Oral Iron Administration on Responsiveness to Synthetic Erythropoietin in Hemoglobin Increase of Hemodialysis Patients

Protocol summary

Summary

This study was conducted to compare the effect of intravenous (Venofer) and oral iron on hemoglobin (Hb) rise in response to synthetic erythropoietin in hemodialysis patients. In this controlled single blind clinical trial, 42 hemodialysis patients with < 10 g/dl hemoglobin after seven weeks treatment with 2000 units subcutaneous erythropoietin (three times weekly at the end of each dialysis session) were selected via convenience sampling method. Also at least six months history of hemodialysis was necessary for including to the study. Bone marrow malignancy, evidence of chronic infection, evidence of significant bleeding (decrease in Hb level > 2g/dL during the past 3 months), hemoglobinopathies, myelodysplastic syndrome were lead to exclusion of subjects from the study. One week after the last dose of erythropoietin injection, basic measurement was done for serum levels of hemoglobin, ferritin and iron saturation. Then patients randomly allocated into two oral and intravenous iron groups. For oral iron group patients administrated Ferrous Sulfate tablet 50 mg daily, for seven weeks and other group received 100 mg Venofer, three times weekly at the end of each dialysis sessions for seven weeks and during this time, subjects in both groups received 2000 unit subcutaneous erythropoietin (three times weekly at the end of each dialysis sessions). Finally, hemoglobin, ferritin and iron saturation were examined following therapy.

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT201102195864N1**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Vice chancellor for research, Golestan Medical Sciences University

Expected recruitment start date

2010-05-05, 1389/02/15

Expected recruitment end date

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Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The Effect of Intravenous and Oral Iron Administration on Responsiveness to Synthetic Erythropoietin in Hemoglobin Increase of Hemodialysis Patients

Public title

The Treatment of Hemodialysis Patients' Anemia

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Receiving hemodialysis therapy for at least 6 months; having dossier in hemodialysis center; three time hemodialysis weekly and four hours for each session; hemoglobin less than 10 g/dl; history of seven weeks treatment with subcutaneous erythropoietin (2000 units, three times weekly at the end of each dialysis sessions). Exclusion criteria: Bone marrow malignancy; evidence of chronic infection; evidence of significant bleeding (decrease in Hb level > 2g/dL during the past 3 months); hemoglobinopathies; myelodysplastic syndrome.

Age

No age limit

Gender

Both

Phase

2

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: 42

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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Approval date

2011-01-30, 1389/11/10

Ethics committee reference number

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Iron Deficiency Anaemia

ICD-10 code

D50.8, D50

ICD-10 code description

Other iron deficiency anaemias, Iron deficiency anaemia, unspecified

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Hemoglobin

Timepoint

Pre and Post of Intervention

Method of measurement

Blood Exam

2

Description

Ferritin

Timepoint

Pre and Post of Intervention

Method of measurement

Blood Exam

3

Description

Total Iron Bonding Capacity

Timepoint

Pre and Post of Intervention

Method of measurement

Blood Exam

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: 100 mg intravenous Venofer, three times weekly at the end of each dialysis sessions for seven weeks

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: Ferrous Sulfate tablet 50 mg daily, for seven weeks

Category

Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

1

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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

Vice chancellor for research, Golestan Medical Sciences University

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

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