

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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### Investigating the effect of Pentoxifylline drug on the clinical progression of covid-19 in patients with acute respiratory failure of moderate severity in the intervention and control groups

#### Protocol summary

##### Study aim

Pentoxifylline is effective in reducing the symptoms of respiratory distress in patients with moderate severity and improving oxygen saturation and can be used as an effective drug in Covid 19.

##### Design

Data are collected in two groups of intervention and control and will be analyzed by SPSS software. Clinical trial with control group, with parallel group and single-phase phase 2 blind on 70 patients.

##### Settings and conduct

The study will be performed interventionally and after obtaining informed consent from patients and pentoxifylline will be given to the intervention group at a dose of 400 mg once a day. Patients who refer to Ayatollah Taleghani Medical Training Center due to positive Covid will participate in the study. To blind a colleague, another doctor will be in charge of assigning patients. The statistician will also be unaware of the intervention and control group and will conduct the study in two groups A and B.

##### Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Patients over 18 years of age whose test results are positive and have a lung T-scan course and their blood oxygen saturation with canola nasal and simple mask is 90% and higher.

##### Intervention groups

34 patients in each group who wish to participate in the study, 34 patients are in the control group. Matching will be done in terms of receiving RamedSavier and Corton.

##### Main outcome variables

If pentoxifylline is effective in reducing the symptoms of respiratory distress in patients with moderate severity and improving oxygen saturation, it can be used as an effective drug in covid 19.

#### General information

##### Reason for update

##### Acronym

##### IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20210517051326N1**

Registration date: **2023-04-27, 1402/02/07**

Registration timing: **retrospective**

Last update: **2023-04-27, 1402/02/07**

Update count: **0**

##### Registration date

2023-04-27, 1402/02/07

##### Registrant information

##### Name

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##### Name of organization / entity

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##### Recruitment status

**Recruitment complete**

##### Funding source

##### Expected recruitment start date

2022-05-22, 1401/03/01

##### Expected recruitment end date

2022-11-22, 1401/09/01

##### Actual recruitment start date

empty

##### Actual recruitment end date

empty

##### Trial completion date

empty

## Scientific title

Investigating the effect of Pentoxifylline drug on the clinical progression of covid-19 in patients with acute respiratory failure of moderate severity in the intervention and control groups

## Public title

Effect of pentoxifyllin on COVID-19

## Purpose

Treatment

## Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

### Inclusion criteria:

Positive test of PCR test COVID-19 Age more than 18 SpO2 more than 90%

### Exclusion criteria:

Sever COVID-19 Need for treatment with Mechanical ventilation Need for treatment with high dose corticosteroids Nausea and vomiting and GIB

## Age

No age limit

## Gender

Both

## Phase

2

## Groups that have been masked

- Participant

## Sample size

Target sample size: 70

## Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

## Randomization description

White and black color cards are used. 35 white cards and 35 black cards are prepared and randomly selected and placed in sealed envelopes from 1 to 70, respectively, and with the arrival of each patient, a special envelope is opened based on the card inside the patient in group A. (White card) or group B (black). The similarity of the two groups in terms of age, sex, underlying disease and drugs received (patients with moderate lung involvement, symptomatic therapy with painkillers (acetaminophen), antihistamines (diphenhydramine), vitamins C and D) will be statistically evaluated. .

## Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

## Blinding description

To blind a colleague, another doctor will be in charge of assigning patients. The statistician will also be unaware of the intervention and control group and will conduct the study in two groups A a

## Placebo

Used

## Assignment

Parallel

## Other design features

## Secondary Ids

empty

## Ethics committees

### 1

#### Ethics committee

##### Name of ethics committee

Organizational Committee of Ethics in Biomedical Research

##### Street address

Ayatollah Taleghani Hospital, Shahid Arabi St, Yemen St. Shahid Chamran Highway, Tehran, Iran

##### City

Tehran

##### Province

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##### Postal code

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#### Approval date

2022-05-19, 1401/02/29

#### Ethics committee reference number

IR.SBMU.RETECH.REC.1401.026

## Health conditions studied

### 1

#### Description of health condition studied

COVID-19

#### ICD-10 code

J96.01

#### ICD-10 code description

Acute respiratory failure with hypoxia

## Primary outcomes

### 1

#### Description

Spo2

#### Timepoint

1st, 7th, 28th, 35th day

#### Method of measurement

Pulseoximetry

## Secondary outcomes

empty

## Intervention groups

### 1

#### Description

Intervention group: A Participants with usual treatment (curcudone 35 mg daily, vitamin C loan 500 mg daily, heparin 5000 units every 12 hours, dexamethasone 4 mg IV daily), pentoxifylline 400 mg daily every 12 hours they receive.

#### Category

Treatment - Drugs

## 2

### Description

Control group: Participants in this group receive the usual treatment (curcudone 35 mg daily, vitamin C loan 500 mg daily, heparin 5000 units every 12 hours, dexamethasone 4 mg IV daily).

### Category

Treatment - Drugs

## Recruitment centers

### 1

#### Recruitment center

##### Name of recruitment center

taleghani hospital

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## Sponsors / Funding sources

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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

Shahid Beheshti 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

## Person responsible for general inquiries

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Specialist

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**Sharing plan**

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

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

**Study Protocol**

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

**Statistical Analysis Plan**

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

**Informed Consent Form**

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

**Clinical Study Report**

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

**Analytic Code**

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

**Data Dictionary**

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

**Title and more details about the data/document**

Others researchers can access via the co responder email

**When the data will become available and for how long**

6 months afters publish article of research

**To whom data/document is available**

Academic researchers

**Under which criteria data/document could be used**

More research

**From where data/document is obtainable**

Others researchers can access via the co responder email

**What processes are involved for a request to access data/document**

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