

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Evaluation of the effect of RIPC (remote ischemic preconditioning) on migraine headache and Brain metabolites in MRS (magnetic resonance spectroscopy) and qEEG indices of migraine patients a pilot study

Protocol summary

Study aim

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Design

This study is a parallel double-blind clinical trial on 30 patients with intervention(RIPC group) and control group (RIPC like group). Sample allocation will be based on the limited randomization approach using block randomization.

Settings and conduct

Location: Neurology Clinic of Poursina Hospital, Rasht. The outcome assessor and data analyzer are blinded and samples are randomly selected.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: patients have at least 5 headache attacks lasting 4-72 hours (without treatment or unsuccessful treatment) ,Age range 18 to 50, Gender of male and female, The onset of migraines before menopause, Patient's ability to distinguish migraine headaches from other conditions, Ability to fill out a questionnaire, Patient consent to enter the study, Signed informed consent. Exclusion criteria: Types of risk factors, history of chronic diseases or kidney, liver, cardiovascular, renal, pulmonary diseases, any malignancy, autoimmunity, diabetes mellitus. Convulsions. Menopause. head and neck trauma. Existence of cognitive impairment. Botox injections in the last 6 months. Pregnancy and lactation. Severe hypertension greater than 160/90 mm / hg. Non-migraine headaches. Drug and alcohol dependence. History of off pump surgery.

Intervention groups

Group A (intervention group: patients undergoing procedure); Group B (control group: patients undergoing RIPC-like procedure as described in method).

Main outcome variables

Glutamate, choline, creatine, N-acetyl aspartate, myoinositol GABA Glutamate/Cr NAA/Cr myoinositol/Cr Frequency bands, Coherence

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

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Actual recruitment end date
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Trial completion date
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Public title
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Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
Patient have at least 5 headache attacks lasting 4-72 hours (without treatment or unsuccessful treatment) Age range from 18 to 50 years The onset of migraines before menopause The ability of patients to distinguish migraine headaches from other conditions The patient's ability to fill out questionnaire Both male and female gender Informed consent
Exclusion criteria:
Underlying diseases, history of chronic diseases or kidney, liver, cardiovascular, renal, pulmonary diseases, any malignancy, autoimmunity, diabetes mellitus Convulsions Menopause Head and neck trauma Asthenic damage Mental disorders and major depression according to DSM4 Botox injection in the last 6 months Pregnancy and lactation Non-migraine headaches such as tension headaches that occur more than 12 times a month and cervicogenic Drug and alcohol dependence during the 1 year prior to the study Migraine with aura History of off pump surgery Severe hypertension higher than 160/90 mm / hg Rheumatism

Age
From **18 years** old to **50 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size
Target sample size: **30**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
In this study, restricted randomization method in the form of block randomization will be used to allocate patients into intervention and control groups. The "R" software will be used for randomization. For this purpose, four blocks with a ratio of 1: 1 will be considered. Sequences are marked in sealed envelopes with the

letters A (intervention group) and B (control group). We will consider the size of the blocks randomly with a size of 4 to prevent the latest allocation from being detected. In the randomization process, random allocation sequences are identified by a statistician, and one student collaborators in the project will register participants and allocate them to interventions.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

In the present study, according to the type of intervention approach used, patients, nurses and physicians will be aware of the new treatment process and there is no way to not inform them and they are not blind. However, data analyzer and who assesses the patients outcomes are blind. Therefore, the present study is designed for double blinds.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

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1

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Ethics committee reference number

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Health conditions studied

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Description of health condition studied

Migraine

ICD-10 code

G43.711

ICD-10 code description

Chronic migraine without aura, intractable, with status migrainosus

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Glutamate

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

Magnetic resonance spectroscopy (MRS) test

2

Description

N-acetyl aspartate

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

MRS test

3

Description

Choline

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

MRS test

4

Description

Creatine

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

MRS test

5

Description

Myoinositol

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

MRS test

6

Description

GABA

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

MRS test

7

Description

Glutamate/Creatine

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

Math

8

Description

NAA/Cr

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

Math

9

Description

Choline/Cr

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

Math

10

Description

Myoinositol/Cr

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

Math

11

Description

Absolute frequency bands

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

Qeeg

12

Description

Relative frequency bands

Timepoint

days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

Qeeg

13

Description

Coherence

Timepoint

Days 0 and 60

Method of measurement

Qeeg analyze

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Migraine-induced disability

Timepoint

Days 0 and 90

Method of measurement

According to the MIDAS index

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Intervention group: The patient undergoes RIPC protocol 6 days a week. sphygmomanometer will be attached to the patient's arm and will be remained under the pressure of 200 mmHg for 5 minutes (ischemic phase) , followed by 5 minutes of rest (reperfusion phase). This cycle will be performed 3 times.

Category

Treatment - Other

2

Description

Control group: In the control group, this operation is performed as a sham or pseudo-ischemia, no pressure is applied.

Category

Treatment - Other

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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

Rasht 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

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

Data Dictionary

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