

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Evaluation of the effectiveness of Gabapentin on the hs-CRP level in patients with non ST-elevation myocardial infarction

Protocol summary

Study aim

Evaluation of the effectiveness of Gabapentin on the hs-CRP level in patients with non ST-elevation myocardial infarction

Design

Phase 2 randomized double-blinded placebo parallel clinical trial on 80 patients Randomization using RandoMaization.com

Settings and conduct

This study will perform in the heart ward and clinic of Imam Reza Hospital in Mashhad. Patients are randomly assigned to gabapentin and placebo groups. Patients and the main researcher are unaware of groups assignment.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Patients with non-ST-elevation MI based on the American Heart Association criteria; Consent to admission to the study; Age over 18 years; No alternating use of alprazolam and opioids during the admission; No kidney failure under hemodialysis; No kidney failure and GFR<30; No thrombocytopenia; No severe liver failure with liver enzymes more than 3 times normal; No treatment with corticosteroids or immunosuppressive drugs; No treatment with diltiazem or verapamil; No history or prone to suicide; No history of gabapentin use; Not engaging in sensitive jobs such as driving, piloting, police. Exclusion criteria: Lack of consent to continue the study

Intervention groups

Intervention group: Patients with non-ST-elevation MI receiving gabapentin 300 mg once daily at 8 pm for one month along with common treatments Placebo group: Patients with non-ST-elevation MI receiving a placebo capsule once daily at 8 pm for one month along with common treatments

Main outcome variables

Primary outcome: Changes in the hs-CRP levels at the beginning of the study and after 4 weeks of treatment. Secondary outcome: Changes in the level of CBC diff. and lipid profile at the beginning of the study and after 4

weeks of treatment.

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2022-07-23, 1401/05/01

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2024-07-22, 1403/05/01

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Evaluation of the effectiveness of Gabapentin on the hs-CRP level in patients with non ST-elevation myocardial infarction

Public title

Evaluation of the effect of Gabapentin in patients with myocardial infarction

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Patients with non-ST-elevation MI according to the American College of Heart criteria
Consent to admission to the study
Age more than 18 years old
No use of alprazolam and opioids in the admission
No kidney failure under hemodialysis
No kidney failure and GFR<30
No thrombocytopenia
No severe liver failure with liver enzymes three times more than normal
No treatment with corticosteroids or immunosuppressive drugs
No treatment with diltiazem or verapamil
No history or prone to suicide
No previous treatment with gabapentin
Not engaging in sensitive jobs such as driving, piloting, police

Exclusion criteria:

Lack of consent to continue the study

Age

From **18 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

2

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Investigator
- Data analyser

Sample size

Target sample size: **68**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

The blocked randomization method is used. The volume of each block will be four. Then the list of blocks is written and numbers assigned to them, for example (AABB(1)- BBAA(2)- BABA(3)- BAAB(4)), which will be 17 blocks according to the sample size of 68. Then random numbers between 1 and 17 are selected according to the randomization site Randomization.com and finally, the treatment allocation list is determined based on the random numbers.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

Using sealed envelopes
Due to the use of a placebo similar to the intervention treatment, the investigator and the participants will not be informed of the assigned treatment, and the analyst will also be unaware of the assigned treatment for the two groups. Finally, after analyzing the data, the researcher who prepared the

packages will reveal the codes A and B.

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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2022-05-10, 1401/02/20

Ethics committee reference number

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Myocardial infarction with non-ST elevation

ICD-10 code

I21.4

ICD-10 code description

Non-ST elevation (NSTEMI) myocardial infarction

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Changes in hs-CRP serum level

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and after 4 weeks of treatment

Method of measurement

Laboratory kit

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Changes in CBC diff

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and after 4 weeks of treatment

Method of measurement

Laboratory kit

2

Description

Changes in lipid profile

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and after 4 weeks of treatment

Method of measurement

Laboratory kit

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: NSTEMI patients receiving gabapentin 300 mg once daily at 8 pm for one month along with standard treatment

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: NSTEMI patients receiving placebo capsule once daily at 8 pm for one month along with standard treatment

Category

Placebo

Recruitment centers

1

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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

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

Person responsible for general inquiries

Contact

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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

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