

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Evaluation of the effect of intravenous tranexamic acid on bleeding during burn surgery: a double blinded clinical trial

Protocol summary

Study aim

Our aim was to investigate and measure the effect of intravenous injection of tranexamic acid on bleeding during burn surgery in patients with severe burns during a double-blind clinical trial.

Design

A clinical trial with parallel, double-blind groups, randomized, phase 4 on 82 patients. For randomization, the Rnnif command of software R is used.

Settings and conduct

In a burn OR, severe burn patients receive tranexamic acid and a placebo solution in separate groups before anesthesia. The volume of bleeding is calculated by hemoglobin before and after surgery, volume of bleeding, and transfusion. Burn surgeon, patients, and the resident in charge of data registration are blinded to the trial.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: 18-50 years, severe burns, and candidates for burn surgery. Exclusion Criteria: history of cardiovascular disease, liver or kidney damage, pregnancy or lactation, ophthalmic pathologies, different coagulopathies, or history of allergy to tranexamic acid, drug side effects such as seizures and vascular thromboembolic events.

Intervention groups

In the α group (standard treatment) before induction of anesthesia, 10mg/kg of normal saline solution will be infused into the patient Intravenously and continued every hour during surgery. The above is to protect the blinding. In the β group (receiving 10mg/kg Tranexamic acid) before induction of anesthesia, 10mg/kg of Tranexamic solution in normal saline serum will be infused for 5 minutes. The patient will be anesthetized under the supervision of an anesthesiologist. Then, from the onset of surgery to the end of the surgery, 1mg/kg of the same substance will be infused into the serum every hour.

Main outcome variables

The volume of bleeding during surgery: blood in the suction device, the number of blood gases, the amount of blood in the field of surgery, the Gross formula.

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

TXA

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

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empty

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Evaluation of the effect of intravenous tranexamic acid on bleeding during burn surgery: a double blinded clinical trial

Public title

Tranexamic Acid in bleeding during burn surgery

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

patients age between 18 and 50 severe burn (TBSA>20%) candidate for burn surgery

Exclusion criteria:

history of cardiovascular disease Liver or kidney injury pregnancy or lactating ocular pathologies different coagulopathies history of allergy to Tranexamic acid

Age

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

Gender

Both

Phase

4

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Care provider
- Investigator
- Outcome assessor

Sample size

Target sample size: **82**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

In this study, in order to allocate patients to intervention and control groups, a randomization method limited by the block randomization method will be used. Blocking is usually used to balance the number of samples assigned to each of the studied groups. This feature helps the researcher to equal the number of samples assigned to each of the studied groups in cases where intermediate analysis is required during the sampling process. In this study, by equal to the size of blocks, blocks with size 6 (three participants in the intervention group and three participants in the control group) will be used.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

Patients who have entry criteria and do not have non-entry criteria will be included in the study after obtaining informed consent. The file number and specifications of each patient will be recorded in predetermined forms. Then, according to the file number and using computer software, they enter one of the two groups of α and β group. This division is carried out by the statistician and the results are provided to the medical records officer of the operating room in closed envelopes. Then, based on

the file number in each envelope and the clinical trial code allocated, that person will be a candidate for Tranexamic Acid or standard treatment. The surgeon (responsible for the implementation of burn surgery), the operating room assistant (responsible for recording patient information in predetermined lists), the head of the medical records unit of the operating room, the patient, the anesthesiologist, and the anesthesiologist are not informed of the contents of the envelope and the type of treatment of each patient.

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

Ethics committees**1****Ethics committee****Name of ethics committee**

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Ethics committee reference number

IR.GUMS.REC.1401.294

Health conditions studied**1****Description of health condition studied**

Burn Injury

ICD-10 code

خونریزی از

ICD-10 code description

T81.0

Primary outcomes**1****Description**

Bleeding volume during burn surgery

Timepoint

During surgery

Method of measurement

1. Blood in the suction machine. 2. For each simple surgical gas that is completely impregnated with blood, 20 cc and 40 cc of bleeding will be calculated for each longase that is completely impregnated with blood. 3. The amount of bleeding in the field of surgery: This amount will be expressed according to the estimates of the surgeon and anesthesiologist. In the ninth edition of the Burn Overall Care Book published in 2018, Herndon et al. presented an improved version of the Gross formula first used in 1983, in which the rate of in-operation bleeding is calculated in three main sections. In the first section, the expected blood volume in the patient is calculated. The second section is the fraction of lost blood, which is calculated based on hematocrit before and after surgery. The third section is the amount of volume transferred to the patient during surgery to consider the effects of fluid therapy and its progress effects during surgery on the amount of bleeding. It should be noted that since there is no physician's opinion and the results are expressed subjectively, it will have the lowest bias. Therefore, the main primary outcome in this study is the result of the above formula in CC.

Secondary outcomes

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Description

blood transfusion

Timepoint

during and in the 24 hours of surgery

Method of measurement

packed cells received

Intervention groups

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Description

Severe burn patients with good hemodynamic status enter the operating room and undergo anesthesia. In the β group (receiving 10mg/kg tranexamic acid infusion before surgery) before induction of anesthesia, 10mg/kg of tranexamic acid solution in normal saline serum will be infused for 5 minutes. Then, the patient will be anesthetized under the supervision of an anesthesiologist. Then, from the onset of surgery to the end of the surgery, 1mg/kg of the same substance will be infused into the serum every hour. Hemodynamic status and bleeding rate are calculated. Necessary support is induced for the hemodynamic balance of patients. At the same time, drug and placebo infusion continues during surgery. At the end of the surgery, the mentioned items are set up by an anesthesiologist and burn specialist in a questionnaire and the patient is transferred to recovery. In the recovery section, a blood sample is taken to measure the amount of hemoglobin, hematocrit, and coagulation profile.

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Description

Control group: Severe burn patients with good hemodynamic status enter the operating room and undergo anesthesia. In the alpha group (receiving 10mg/kg saline infusion before surgery) before induction of anesthesia, 10mg/kg of normal saline serum will be infused for 5 minutes. Then, the patient will be anesthetized under the supervision of an anesthesiologist. Then, from the onset of surgery to the end of the surgery, 1mg/kg of the same substance will be infused into the serum every hour (for the sake of blinding process). Hemodynamic status and bleeding rate are calculated. Necessary support is induced for the hemodynamic balance of patients. At the same time, drug and placebo infusion continues during surgery. At the end of the surgery, the mentioned items are set up by an anesthesiologist and burn specialist in a questionnaire and the patient is transferred to recovery. In the recovery section, a blood sample is taken to measure the amount of hemoglobin, hematocrit, and coagulation profile.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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1

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Grant code / Reference number

Is the source of funding the same sponsor organization/entity?
No

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

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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
Not applicable

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

Clinical Study Report
Not applicable

Analytic Code
Not applicable

Data Dictionary

Not applicable