

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparative bioequivalence study of the Fluoxetine 20-mg Capsules manufactured by Behestan Pharmaceutical Company with Fluoxetine brand Capsules (Prozac®) by LILLY company

Protocol summary

Study aim

Demonstration of bioequivalence of Fluoxetine 20-mg Capsules of Behestan Pharmaceutical Company with Prozac® capsule manufactured by LILLY after single dose administration.

Design

Single dose, randomized and crossover bioequivalence study of Fluoxetine 20-mg Capsules by Behestan Pharmaceutical Company with Prozac® (LILLY Co.) in 24 healthy male volunteers in two groups

Settings and conduct

Study place and the place for blood sample analysis are the Drug Applied Research Center affiliated to Tabriz University of Medical Science, respectively. 24 healthy male volunteers will receive one of the Fluoxetine 20-mg Capsules test or reference in random sequence according to the randomization schedule. The interval between receiving the medicine (washout period) is 28 days, If the first sequence receives Iranian medicine, they will receive brand medicine. Blood samples will be taken from all participants before and after receiving the drug at 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 24, 48, 72 and 96 hours after dosing

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Healthy male subjects in the age range of 18-60 years and BMI (Body Mass Index) of 18-30. Exclusion criteria: Subjects with Blood Pressure \leq 90/60 mm/Hg or BP \geq 140/90 mm/Hg. Any evidence of impairment of renal, hepatic, cardiac, lung or gastrointestinal function or a history of tuberculosis, epilepsy, asthma, diabetes, psychosis or glaucoma and regular smoker

Intervention groups

Intervention group 1: Fluoxetine 20-mg Capsules by Behestan Pharmaceutical Company is the test product. Intervention group 2: Prozac® by LILLY company is the reference product. In each period, 12 of 24 subjects will

be given single dose of this product. After the washout period, the volunteers are placed in the opposite group

Main outcome variables

Peak Plasma Concentration (C_{max}); Area under the concentration-time curve (AUC)

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20200407046981N51**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2022-12-25, 1401/10/04

Expected recruitment end date

2023-02-23, 1401/12/04

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Comparative bioequivalence study of the Fluoxetine 20-mg Capsules manufactured by Behestan Pharmaceutical Company with Fluoxetine brand Capsules (Prozac®) by LILLY company

Public title

Study of absorption and elimination rate of Fluoxetine 20-mg Capsules in comparison with Fluoxetine brand Capsules (Prozac®).

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

The weight limit of each volunteer should be between 60 and 100 kg. All volunteers must be non-smokers. They must be healthy in terms of liver, kidney, respiratory system, mental and other general health characteristics that will be assessed. Candidates who have consented to the consent form

Exclusion criteria:

Known hypersensitivity or idiosyncratic reaction to Fluoxetine or any ingredients. Subjects with BP ≤ 90/60 mm/Hg or BP ≥ 140/90 mm/Hg. Taking any medicine during two week before dosing.

Age

From **18 years** old to **60 years** old

Gender

Male

Phase

Bioequivalence

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **24**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

To randomly assign people in two groups, 24 cards with numbers 1 to 24 will be used in closed envelopes that are arranged irregularly. Each candidate will pick up an envelope after entering the study, and numbers 1-12 will be in group A and numbers 13-24 will be in group B. Group A will receive intervention 1 and group B will receive intervention 2, and after the first period, the interventions of the both groups will change for the second period

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Not used

Assignment

Crossover

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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2022-10-31, 1401/08/09

Ethics committee reference number

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

Bioequivalence study

ICD-10 code**ICD-10 code description****Primary outcomes****1****Description**

Peak Plasma Concentration (Cmax)

Timepoint

0 (before dosing), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 24, 48, 72 and 96 hours after dosing

Method of measurement

High-performance liquid chromatography—mass spectrometry

Secondary outcomes**1****Description**

AUC (Area Under the Concentration-Time Curve

Timepoint

0 (before dosing), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 24, 48, 72 and 96 hours after dosing

Method of measurement

Using non-compartmental model of Win-Nonlin Professional software version 3.2.A (Pharsight Corporation, USA) or SPSS

Intervention groups

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Description

Intervention group: In this group, volunteers are given a single oral dose of Fluoxetine 20-mg Capsules manufactured by Behestan Pharmaceutical Company (Domestic). In each period, 12 of 24 subjects will be given single oral dose of this product. After the washout period, the volunteers are placed in the Intervention group 2

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Intervention group: In this group, volunteers are given a single oral dose of Fluoxetine 20-mg Capsules (Prozac®), produced by LILLY Company (Brand). In each period, 12 of 24 subjects will be given single oral dose of this product. After the washout period, the volunteers are placed in the Intervention group 1

Category

Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

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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

Behestan Pharmaceutical Company

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

Private

Domestic or foreign origin

Domestic

Category of foreign source of funding

empty

Country of origin

Type of organization providing the funding

Industry

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Latest degree

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Justification/reason for indecision/not sharing IPD

There is not 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

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

No - There is not 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

Not applicable

Data Dictionary

Not applicable