

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Evaluating the effect of administration of Lactocare® probiotic on gastrointestinal symptoms and Anti-Ttg antibody in patients with celiac disease: Randomized controlled Clinical trial

Protocol summary

Study aim

Evaluating the effect of administration of Lactocare® probiotic on gastrointestinal symptoms and Anti-Ttg antibody in patients with celiac disease

Design

Clinical trial with a control group, with parallel groups, double-blind, randomized, phase 3 on 100 patients. A block method used for randomization.

Settings and conduct

All patients with celiac disease over 18 years of age registered in the Golestan Gastroenterology and Liver Research Center registry who meet the inclusion criteria are invited to participate in the study. After obtaining consent from all patients at the Gastroenterology and Liver Research Center, using the Celiac Disease symptom Index (CSI) questionnaire, the severity and extent of their disease symptoms are recorded and the tissue transglutaminase antibody titer (Anti-Ttg) is also recorded. The study is double-blind both patients nor doctors will not know about the group in which the patient is examined.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Confirming the presence of celiac disease with a small intestine biopsy and anti-tissue transglutaminase antibody titer measurement (Anti TTG)
Age over 18 years
Exclusion criteria: Any recent infections
Taking drugs that affect the immune system
Recent gastrointestinal surgery
Taking NSAID painkillers or antibiotics in the last 6 weeks
Any comorbidity
Pregnancy and breastfeeding
addiction

Intervention groups

The intervention group will use the Lactocare symbiotic for 6 weeks, 2 capsules every day with an interval of 12 hours, and along a gluten-free diet. The control group received the placebo or 6 weeks, 2 capsules every day with an interval of 12 hours along with a gluten-free diet.

Main outcome variables

Celiac disease symptom index (CSI) questionnaire and tissue transglutaminase antibody titer (Anti-Ttg)

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2023-01-20, 1401/10/30

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Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

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Public title

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Purpose

Supportive

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

Confirmation of celiac disease with small intestine biopsy
Measurement of antibody titer against tissue transglutaminase (Anti TTg) Age above 18 years

Exclusion criteria:

Any recent infections Concomitant inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) Immune deficiency (acquired or non-acquired) Taking drugs that affect the immune system (immune suppressors and stimulants) Recent GI surgery Taking NSAID painkillers or antibiotics in the last 6 weeks Having cancer or being HIV positive Cardiovascular diseases, glands, kidney, liver, neurological or mental malignancy Pregnancy and breastfeeding Alcohol and drug addiction Participation in another similar study within the last 6 months unwillingness to take probiotics patient being out of reach

Age

From **18 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Care provider

Sample size

Target sample size: **98**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Randomization method: In order to randomize the samples, we use the block method with blocks of four. In this way, one of the following blocks is chosen randomly (for example, with a dice) and according to the order of those samples, We assign two groups. And the fourth sample will be assigned to the group receiving the supplements. Then, for the next four samples, we will randomly select a block and make the allocation according to it, and this process will continue until the end of the sampling. If a woman 35-year-old with a body mass index of 29 is in the target group, there will be another patient with similar characteristics in the control

group, and the cut-off for these values has not been defined, and it will be tried to compare the patients of the two groups with a reasonable standard deviation in These variables are similar.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

The study is double-blind, so that all patients and doctors evaluating the interventions designed in the study or the outcomes after carrying out the plan will not know about the group in which the patient is examined. All interventions in both groups will be designed similarly and the procedure will be the same on all samples in all groups. The drugs used will also be supplied in the same form and packaging so that it is not possible to identify the study group during the study process.

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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2022-12-25, 1401/10/04

Ethics committee reference number

IR.GOUMS.REC.1401.481

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

celiac disease

ICD-10 code

K90.0

ICD-10 code description

Celiac disease

Primary outcomes

1

Description

the severity and extent of disease symptoms

Timepoint

The beginning of the study and 6 weeks after the start of the study

Method of measurement

CSI (celiac symptom index) questionnaire

2

Description

Tissue transglutaminase antibody titer (Anti-Ttg)

Timepoint

The beginning of the study and 6 weeks after the start of the study

Method of measurement

titer Anti-TTG

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Including 49 patients, they will use 2 capsules of Lactocar probiotic every day for 6 weeks, with an interval of 12 hours, and along with this medicine, they will follow a gluten-free diet.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: Including 49 patients, they will use 2 capsules of placebo every day for 6 weeks, with an interval of 12 hours, and along with this medicine, they will follow a gluten-free diet.

Category

Placebo

Recruitment centers

1

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Grant code / Reference number

Is the source of funding the same sponsor organization/entity?

No

Title of funding source

Zist Takhmir 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

Academic

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Position**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

All deidentified data will be available in case of any requests from other researchers.

When the data will become available and for how long

Data availability will be started after publishing the full paper until 6 months later.

To whom data/document is available

Data will be available for all academic and also pharmaceutical researchers requires.

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Data will available for those with a clear history of research.

From where data/document is obtainable

Data will be available by direct request from the PI (Dr.Amiriani) by E-mail.

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

It will be available after about one months.

Comments