

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparing the effect of acupressure on the SP6 point and foot reflexology on sleep quality and fatigue in patients with leukemia hospitalized in Imam khomeini Hospital in Urmia in 2022

Protocol summary

Study aim

Determining and comparing the effect of acupressure and foot reflexology massage on the quality of sleep and fatigue of leukemia patients admitted to Imam Khomeini Hospital Urmia in 1401

Design

A controlled, parallel-group, single-blind, randomized, phase 3 clinical trial on 102 patients. For randomization, cards (a), (b) and (c) were used.

Settings and conduct

This study is a single blind clinical trial research with a pre-test-post-test design. It will be implemented in Urmia University of Medical Sciences, Urmia Imam Khomeini Hospital

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Consent of patients to participate in the study suffering from chronic lymphoid leukemia Age above 18 years and less than 80 years Ability to speak Persian

Intervention groups

In the acupressure group, in parallel with these routine cares, acupressure will be performed for each sample using the SP6 point for four weeks and every day (5 minutes) by the researcher. It should be mentioned that the researcher had personally attended all the necessary training related to acupressure and foot massage therapy from the complementary medicine specialist of Urmia University of Medical Sciences (Dr. Nozad; head of the Iranian Complementary Medicine Association) and received the necessary certificate. has done (appendix). In the foot massage therapy group, the intervention will be such that for the patients of this intervention group, after preparing the patient and greasing the soles of the feet with sweet almond oil, which is used for cold and wetness for all temperaments, every day for four consecutive weeks Reflexology is performed for 5 minutes on the treatment points on the soles of both feet. No intervention will be done in the control group

and they will only receive routine ward care.

Main outcome variables

quality of sleep and fatigue of patients

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20190127042512N2**

Registration date: **2023-02-18, 1401/11/29**

Registration timing: **prospective**

Last update: **2023-02-18, 1401/11/29**

Update count: **0**

Registration date

2023-02-18, 1401/11/29

Registrant information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2023-03-01, 1401/12/10

Expected recruitment end date

2023-03-30, 1402/01/10

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Comparing the effect of acupressure on the SP6 point and foot reflexology on sleep quality and fatigue in patients with leukemia hospitalized in Imam Khomeini Hospital in Urmia in 2022

Public title

The effect of acupressure on the SP6 point and foot reflexology on sleep quality and fatigue in patients with leukemia

Purpose

Supportive

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

Consent of patients to participate in the study Conscious and oriented patients with stable health status Suffering from chronic lymphoid leukemia Age above 18 years and less than 80 years Ability to speak Persian

Exclusion criteria:

Having chronic diseases such as diabetes, cardiovascular and respiratory diseases Having mental disorders receiving radiotherapy Having an injury or surgery on the sole of the foot

Age

From **18 years** old to **80 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

- Data analyst

Sample size

Target sample size: **102**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

The selected samples will be divided into two intervention groups and one control group using simple random sampling method. The method of random allocation into three groups was done by taking the cards (a), (b) and (c) by the patients, and the researcher divided the samples into three groups using the cards (a), (b) and (c). Acupressure, sole reflex massage and control will be divided. In this way, the patients who were included in the study, if card (a) is removed, will be included in the acupressure group, card (b) will be included in the sole reflex massage group, and card (c) will be included in the control group.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

Blinding description

Blinding in this study is single blind, so that the statistician is not aware of the study groups and the data analyst is not aware of which data are related to the intervention group and which data are related to the control group.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary IDs**

empty

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

Research Ethics committee of Urmia University of Medical Sciences

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Approval date

2022-11-08, 1401/08/17

Ethics committee reference number

IR.UMSU.REC.1401.296

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

Malignant neoplasms, stated or presumed to be primary, of lymphoid, haematopoietic and related tissue

ICD-10 code

C81-C96

ICD-10 code description

Malignant neoplasms, stated or presumed to be primary, of lymphoid, haematopoietic and related tissue

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

Sleep quality score In Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index (PSQI)

Timepoint

Measurement of sleep quality score before the intervention and one month after the intervention

Method of measurement

Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index (PSQI)

2**Description**

Fatigue score of Cancer Fatigue Scale Questionnaire

Timepoint

Measuring the fatigue score before the intervention and one month after the intervention

Method of measurement

Fatigue score of Cancer Fatigue Scale Questionnaire

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

FIRST Intervention group: In the acupressure group, in parallel with these routine cares, acupressure will be performed for each sample using the SP6 point for four weeks and every day (5 minutes) by the researcher.

Category

Prevention

2

Description

SECOND Intervention group: In the foot massage therapy group, the intervention will be such that for the patients of this intervention group, after preparing the patient and greasing the soles of the feet with sweet almond oil, which is used for cold and wetness for all temperaments, every day for four consecutive weeks Reflexology is performed for 5 minutes on the treatment points on the soles of both feet.

Category

Prevention

3

Description

Control group: No action is taken for the control group

Category

Other

Recruitment centers

1

Recruitment center

Name of recruitment center

Imam Khomeini Hospital in Urmia

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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

Oroumia University of Medical Sciences

Proportion provided by this source

30

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)

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

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be 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 data is potentially shareable after de-identifying individuals

When the data will become available and for how long

The access period starts 6 months after the results are published

To whom data/document is available

Researchers working in academic and scientific institutions

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Descriptive analyzes are allowed on the submitted data

From where data/document is obtainable

corresponding author

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

The request email should be sent to the corresponding author

Comments