

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Effects of 10-week Proprioceptive Exercises on Proprioception Acuity, Balance, and Quality of Life in Patients with Parkinson's Disease

Protocol summary

Study aim

To investigate the effect of 10 weeks of proprioceptive exercises on proprioceptive accuracy and balance in Parkinson's patients

Design

The clinical trial has an intervention group of 12 Parkinson's patients with H&Y 2-3 in the form of pre- and post-assessment without blinding.

Settings and conduct

After entering the study, the participants sign the informed consent form approved by Tarbiat Modares University. They will then fill out a personal information and medical history form. Before the intervention, the quality of life questionnaire will be completed by the participants. Then, pre-intervention assessments will be done. Patients will perform 20 sessions of proprioceptive exercises in the movement disorders research laboratory for 10 weeks, twice a week for 30 minutes each time. The evaluations after the intervention will be done exactly like the previous evaluations and up to one week after the last intervention session. The location of the study is the Movement Disorders Research Laboratory in Tarbiat Modares University.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Patients with Parkinson's disease; with H&Y criteria 2-3; aged 35 to 65 years; able to move without assistance

Intervention groups

One group including therapeutic exercise group (proprioceptive exercises)

Main outcome variables

The acuity of sense of motion and sense of the position of the ankle joint in the anterior-posterior direction in functional and non-functional tasks; balance parameters; quality of life questionnaire score

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2023-06-10, 1402/03/20

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2023-12-09, 1402/09/18

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

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Scientific title

Effects of 10-week Proprioceptive Exercises on Proprioception Acuity, Balance, and Quality of Life in Patients with Parkinson's Disease

Public title

Effect of Proprioception Exercises on Balance in Patients with Parkinson's Disease

Purpose

Supportive

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

Patients with idiopathic Parkinson's disease diagnosed by a neurologist according to the UK Brain Bank Criteria H&Y criteria between 2-3 Obtaining a minimum score of 24 in the MMSE questionnaire Able to walk without assistance Be able to perform simple verbal commands The age of the participants should be 35 to 65 Having a body mass index between 18.5-30

Exclusion criteria:

Specific musculoskeletal, cardiorespiratory, vision, or cognitive disorder that affects the patient's performance of tests and exercises and walking Having diabetes Having a neurological problem other than Parkinson's disease Undergoing DBS surgery Participating in regular exercise therapy programs in the last 6 months Using walking aids

Age

From **35 years** old to **65 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **12**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

N/A

Randomization description**Blinding (investigator's opinion)**

Not blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Not used

Assignment

Single

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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

Parkinson's disease

ICD-10 code

G20

ICD-10 code description

Parkinson's disease

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

Ankle joint proprioceptive acuity (sense of position and sense of motion)

Timepoint

Before the start of the intervention and up to one week after the end of the 10-week intervention

Method of measurement

Using a customized designed and manufactured device (angular and time error between expressed and real values)

2**Description**

Postural control parameters

Timepoint

Before the start of the intervention and up to one week after the end of the 10-week intervention

Method of measurement

With force platform and chronometer

3**Description**

Parkinson's disease questionnaire of quality of life (PDQ-39)

Timepoint

Before the start of the intervention and up to one week after the end of the 10-week intervention

Method of measurement

Score of questionnaire of quality of life PDQ-39

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

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Description

Intervention group: 10 weeks of proprioceptive exercises which are designed as stations in 11 different stations and each training station lasts for 2 minutes, the total duration of the exercises will be 30 minutes, including warm-up exercises. Parkinson's patients will perform 20 sessions of proprioceptive exercises in the Movement Disorders Research Laboratory for 10 weeks, twice a week for 30 minutes each time.

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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

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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

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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

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 analyzed data will be shared. These data include the evaluations before and after the intervention as well as the final processed data of proprioceptive accuracy and balance variables and the quality of life questionnaire.

When the data will become available and for how long

For 6 months after the official publication of the results

To whom data/document is available

All researchers in the academy and the clinic

Under which criteria data/document could be used

For clinical use only in therapy, neuromusculoskeletal simulations, and rehabilitation equipment design

From where data/document is obtainable

Contact the corresponding author of the articles by email, phone or postal address

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

Process: 1. Accurately specifying the desired data 2. Contacting the responsible author and submitting the request 3. Reviewing the request by the research team 4. Responding to the request up to 10 working days

Comments