

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of pre - cooling and topical anesthetic in pain perception Maxillary injection among pediatric

Protocol summary

Study aim

Comparison of pre cooling and topical anesthetic in pain perception maxillary injection among pediatric

Design

This study will be conducted as a double-blind, split-mouth phase 3 clinical trial. The number of samples in each group is 25 and a total of 50. Each half jaw is randomly assigned to the case (cold) or control (gel) group. The tool for collecting observations in this research is a standard SEM and Wang-baker-face questionnaire to measure pain intensity.

Settings and conduct

Injections and dental work on both sides are done in one session, in the children's department of the Faculty of Dentistry, Ilam University of Medical Sciences. After drying the tissue with cotton, 20% benzocaine gel will be used on one side and ice pack on the other side, each for 1 minute. Anesthesia injection will be performed by the first operator (pediatric dentist) using 2% lidocaine anesthetic and 1/100,000 epinephrine through a 27-gauge needle. The second operator, who is blinded to the selected surface anesthetic for the study, will examine the child's behavior during the injection with the child's voice, eye and movement scale. Also, at the end of each injection, the child is asked to rate the amount of pain felt based on the Wange-Baker scale.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

The conditions for entering the study include no history of systemic diseases and any phobia of injections and dental work and allergy to anesthetics, no abscess and pain in the injected tooth, cooperation of the child and the need for two injections. The buccal side will be used for routine dental work such as extraction and etc, to close the rubber dam.

Intervention groups

Intervention group: use of cold by ice carpool, which will be prepared by emptying the lidocaine cartridge and filling it with water and placing it in the freezer. Control group: use of benzocaine gel 20%

Main outcome variables

The amount of pain caused by the injection

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Comparison of pre - cooling and topical anesthetic in pain perception Maxillary injection among pediatric

Public title

Comparison of pre - cooling and topical anesthetic in pain perception Maxillary injection among pediatric

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria**Inclusion criteria:**

Child cooperation 7 to 10 years Children who need injections on both sides of the buccal for routine dental work such as extraction, pulpotomy, etc.

Exclusion criteria:

History of systemic diseases sensitivity to anesthesia any phobia of injection and dental work having an abscess and pain in the injected tooth

Age

From **7 years** old to **10 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Investigator
- Data analyser

Sample size

Target sample size: **50**

More than 1 sample in each individual

Number of samples in each individual: **2**

In each person, two half-jaws are randomly placed in two groups: case (cold) and control (gel). Injection in the cold group after using ice carpool and in the control group after using 20% benzocaine gel, each for 1 minute. It is performed with 2% lidocaine anesthesia and 1/100,000 epinephrine by the same operator using a 27-gauge needle with a length of 16 mm.

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Not randomized

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

Double blinded

Blinding description

It should be noted that the samples are divided into two groups, in half of which the first injection is performed after applying the numbing gel and the second injection is performed after cold application, and in the second group, the opposite is done. Anesthesia injection will be performed by the first operator (pediatric dentist), who is the only person who knows about the treatment group of the study. Then, a second operator (a pediatric dentist and a dental student) who are blinded to the surface anesthesia chosen for the study, checks the child's behavior during the injection with the SEM (Child Voice, Eye and Movement) scale. and compare the obtained data with each other. Also, at the end of each injection, the child is asked to rate the level of pain felt based on

the Wonge-Baker scale.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

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**

Cold and surface anesthetic gel on pain level caused by buccal injection in children

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

Determining the amount of pain caused by injection in the study and control groups by the Wonge-Baker Faces evaluation scale

Timepoint

At the end of each injection, the child is asked to rate the amount of pain felt based on the Wonge-Baker scale.

Method of measurement

Image of the Wong-Baker Faces pain rating scale

2**Description**

Determining the amount of pain caused by injection in the case group and the control group with SEM (voice,

eye and movement) behavioral assessment scale.

Timepoint

The pediatric dentist will examine the child's behavior during the injection with the voice-eye-movement scale

Method of measurement

SEM behavioral assessment scale

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

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Description

Control group: In half of the samples, injection, after placing cotton dipped in benzocaine 20% anesthetic gel (prime gel) manufactured by American Prime Dental Company for 1 minute in the anesthesia area; will be done

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Intervention group: In the other half of the samples, ice carpool (which will be prepared by emptying the lidocaine cartridge and filling it with water and placing it in the freezer) will be used for 1 minute before injection.

Category

Treatment - Other

Recruitment centers

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Grant name

Ilam University of Medical Sciences

Grant code / Reference number

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

Yes

Title of funding source

Ilam 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

Country of origin

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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

It will be announced at the end of the study

Study Protocol

No - There is not 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

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

Not applicable

Data Dictionary

Not applicable