

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of the effect of ondansetron and placebo versus ondansetron and aprepitant on post-operation nausea and vomiting of cholecystectomy surgery

Protocol summary

Study aim

The aim of this study is to determine the effect of ondansetron and placebo versus ondansetron and aprepitant on nausea and vomiting after cholecystectomy surgery. If the combination of aprepitant and ondansetron has a greater effect on nausea and vomiting, this method can be used as an auxiliary treatment in the treatment of postoperative nausea and vomiting.

Design

A clinical trial with a control group, with parallel groups, double-blind, randomized by block randomization method, phase 2 on 60 patients.

Settings and conduct

Patients undergoing cholecystectomy at Shahid Modares Hospital in Tehran between 2020 to 2021. This study is conducted in a double-blind manner. A nurse not involved in the study codes the drugs, the person who prescribes the drug, and those who collect information from the patients after the procedure are blinded. Nausea and vomiting of patients are evaluated 6 and 24 hours after the end of the operation.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: All patients between the ages of 18 and 50 years old with a 1 or 2 score on the ASA health scale, are candidates for cholecystectomy surgery. Exclusion criteria: patients with a 3, 4, or 5 score on the ASA health scale; Patients undergoing cholecystectomy with another anesthesia method; patients suffering from any systemic disease, People addicted to alcohol, drugs, and smoking; Acute cholecystitis.

Intervention groups

Control group: At the same time as the operation, 4 mg of ondansetron is administered intravenously and a placebo capsule is administered one hour before the operation. Intervention group: Aprepitant capsule of 80 mg one hour before the operation, and at the same time

as the operation, ondansetron 4 mg is administered intravenously.

Main outcome variables

Nausea and vomiting after the operation

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20221110056459N1**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2023-03-21, 1402/01/01

Expected recruitment end date

2024-04-19, 1403/01/31

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date
empty

Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Comparison of the effect of ondansetron and placebo versus ondansetron and aprepitant on post-operation nausea and vomiting of cholecystectomy surgery

Public title
effect of aprepitant on post-operation nausea vomiting of cholecystectomy surgery

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
patients with ASA health scale of 1 or 2 patients who are candidates for cholecystectomy surgery
Exclusion criteria:
patients with ASA health scale of 3, 4 or 5 patients with other anesthesia methods patients with any systemic diseases such as diabetes, asthma, cardiovascular diseases, gastroesophageal reflux, severe obesity, BMI > 30, hepatorenal diseases, neuromuscular diseases, psychiatric illnesses, alcoholic patients, drug abusers, smokers pregnant or lactating patients patients presented with acute cholecystitis

Age
From **18 years** old to **50 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Care provider
- Investigator
- Outcome assessor

Sample size
Target sample size: **60**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
The randomization method assigns Patients to one of the intervention and control groups. The randomization method is based on random blocks of four. In this way, each study group is assigned code A or B, and different blocks of four were made by <https://www.sealedenvelope.com/> website. Then patients were assigned to different blocks based on the order of entering the trial.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Double blinded

Blinding description
Medications are coded by a nurse who is not participating in the study. The person who prescribes the medicine also does the prescription without knowing the type of medicine. In the recovery and inpatient ward, colleagues collect information without knowing the type

of drug received and the groups.

Placebo
Used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids
empty

Ethics committees

1

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2022-05-24, 1401/03/03

Ethics committee reference number
IR.SBMU.MSP.REC.1401.116

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied
Nausea
ICD-10 code
R11.0
ICD-10 code description
Nausea

2

Description of health condition studied
vomiting
ICD-10 code
R11.1
ICD-10 code description
Vomiting

Primary outcomes

1

Description
The degree of nausea
Timepoint
6 and 24 hour post-operation

Method of measurement

VAS criteria

2

Description

vomiting

Timepoint

6 and 24 hour post-operation

Method of measurement

if vomiting happen or not

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Aprepitant capsule 80 mg is prescribed one hour before the operation, and at the same time as the anti-nausea drug ondansetron 4 mg is administered intravenously.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: At the same time as the operation, the anti-nausea drug ondansetron 4 mg is administered intravenously and a placebo capsule is administered one hour before the operation.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

1

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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

Shahid Beheshti 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

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

Individual data of participants and information on the main outcome, and the final report of the trial will be presented in an international article. Also, more detailed information will be accessible to researchers in coordination with the correspondence.

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

All researchers working in academic and scientific institutions can send their request by mentioning the reason. The use of data and results of this clinical trial for personal and commercial purposes is not allowed.

From where data/document is obtainable

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

After sending the request to the given addresses, the responsible persons will check the cases and after inquiring the identity of the requester, they will send the documents to them. This process may take up to a month.

Comments