

Clinical Trial Protocol

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A comparative study of the local effect of Aloe Vera gel with cold and warm compress on ecchymosis of the lower leg after coronary artery bypass surgery

Protocol summary

Study aim

Determining the local effect of aloe vera gel with hot and cold compresses on leg area hemorrhage of patients undergoing coronary artery bypass surgery

Design

A three-group controlled clinical trial with random allocation of 60 patients in phase 3, from among patients undergoing coronary artery bypass surgery and research units, with a gradual method based on the order of referrals, with random allocation (using a coin toss) in group A or group B or are controlled. Then, the samples in each group are randomly selected to determine the right or left leg for intervention, using two envelopes containing number 1 (intervention) and number 2 (control) inside a box, and based on the desired number, the cutting place Leg surgery patients are assigned to two intervention groups with aloe vera and control. The same procedure is done in group B

Settings and conduct

Hospitalized patients chamber are placed in group A or B based on randomization

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Informed and written consent to participate in the study Coronary artery bypass surgery Vascular graft removal from both legs exclusion criteria: history of skin disease emergency surgery allergic to aloe vera using drugs or continuous use of alcohol or cigarettes history of vascular disease such as Raynaud's, Berger's, etc history of allergy coagulopathy or the need to take anti-coagulant drugs

Intervention groups

Steps of doing work in the intervention group is an aloe vera gel before dressing the wound for 6 days. In intervention group two, one of the legs is placed in a cold compress in the first 48 hours after the surgery, and then in the third to sixth days of the surgery, a warm compress is applied. In the intervention control group,

routine wound cleaning and dressing are considered.

Main outcome variables

The average area of hemorrhage in A and B groups

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

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Actual recruitment start date

empty
Actual recruitment end date
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Trial completion date
empty

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A comparative study of the local effect of Aloe Vera gel with cold and warm compress on ecchymosis of the lower leg after coronary artery bypass surgery

Public title
A comparative study of the local effect of Aloe Vera gel with cold and warm compress on the lower leg after coronary artery bypass surgery

Purpose
Prevention

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Informed and written consent to participate in the study
Coronary bypass surgery removal of vascular grafts from both legs

Exclusion criteria:

history of skin disease emergency surgery allergy to aloe vera drug use or continuous alcohol or cigar use history of vascular disease such as Raynaud's, Berger's, etc.
history of drug, food or allergy coagulopathy or the need to take anti-coagulant drugs

Age
No age limit

Gender
Both

Phase
N/A

Groups that have been masked
No information

Sample size
Target sample size: **60**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
The number of 60 patients who are candidates for coronary artery bypass surgery in Chamran Hospital according to the entry criteria, with a gradual method based on the order of referrals with random allocation (using a coin toss) in group A (local effect of aloe vera gel) or group B (use of cold and warm compresses) or control are placed. Then, the subjects in each group are randomly selected in order to determine the right or left leg for intervention, using two envelopes containing number 1 (intervention) and number 2 (control) inside a box, and based on the desired number, The surgical incision site of the patient's legs is allocated in the intervention leg with aloe vera and the control leg. The same procedure is done for the patient in group B. In groups A and B, one foot of the patient is treated and the other foot is considered as control.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo
Not used

Assignment
Parallel
Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

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Ethics committee

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2023-09-04, 1402/06/13

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Ecchymosis

ICD-10 code

ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

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Description

Average area of Ecchymosis

Timepoint

Days 2, 5, 7, 10 and 30 after coronary artery bypass surgery

Method of measurement

The program for determining the area of j image and A30s phone camera

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

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Description

Intervention group: The first stage of intervention in group A (local effect of aloe vera gel) is performed before

dressing the wound in the operating room. In the opposite leg, routine intervention is performed, i.e. washing the wound with normal saline and dressing with sterile gauze and adhesive and bandaging. This procedure continues for 6 days. Photographs are taken of the desired position (legs of both legs) (days 2, 5, 7, 10 and 30). On the 10th and 30th days, in the office of Dr. Mohsen Mir Mohammad Sadeghi, photographs of the patient's legs are taken and the area of hemorrhage is calculated using image j software. The aloe vera gel used in this research is prepared by Reyhan Naqsh Jahan Pharmaceutical Company based on the United States Pharmacopoeia (USP), which is packed in sterile containers under sterile conditions and in compliance with hygiene precautions with sterile gloves. Intervention with aloe vera gel in the first to sixth days are done in the inpatient departments. In group A, the first intervention stage is performed in the operating room by Dr. Mohsen Mir Mohammad Sadeghi's dedicated assistant with sterile aloe vera gel that has been prepared in advance on the affected leg, and then dressing is performed with sterile gauze, glue, and bandaging. Dressing with sterile gauze, glue and bandaging is performed on the control leg. Then, on a daily basis, standard methods of surgical wound care, such as washing with normal saline and performing sterile dressings once a day, elastic bandages for both legs of patients, are performed by nurses working in the special care and surgery department. Both groups A and B, one leg of the patient is treated and the other leg is considered as control.

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Prevention

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Description

In group B (use of hot and cold compresses), one of the legs is placed under a cold compress in the first 48 hours after the surgery, and then on the third to sixth days of the surgery, a warm compress is applied, and in the opposite leg, a routine intervention, i.e. washing the wound with Normal saline serum and dressing is done with sterile gauze and adhesive and bandaging. This procedure continues for 6 days. Photographs are taken of the desired position (legs of both legs) (days 2, 5, 7, 10 and 30). On the 10th and 30th days, in the office of Dr. Mohsen Mir Mohammad Sadeghi, photographs are taken of the patient's legs and the area of hemorrhage is calculated using image j software. Intervention with cold compresses in the inpatient wards, on the first two days of surgery, a gel pack (HEPSUN) that has been placed in the freezer an hour before is placed around the wound with a gauze cover for 10 minutes, and in the next four days in the inpatient wards (Day 3, 4, 5, 6) A warm compress in the form of a jelly pack (HEPSUN) that we have previously placed in the microwave for one minute or in boiling water for 10 minutes, is placed in a cloth bag and placed around the wound on the control leg. Dressing is done with sterile gauze, glue and bandaging. On a daily basis, standard methods of surgical wound care, such as washing with normal saline and performing sterile dressings once a day, elastic

bandages for both legs of patients are performed by nurses working in the special care and surgery department. Both groups A and B, one leg of the patient is treated and the other leg is considered as control.

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Prevention

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Description

Control group: In this research, the control group is the same leg opposite to the intervention leg in intervention number 1 and 2. In both groups A and B, based on randomization, using a box, one leg of the intervention patient and the other leg It is considered as the control leg. In the control group, the routine intervention is washing the wound with normal saline and dressing with sterile gauze, glue and bandaging. This procedure continues for 6 days. Photographs are taken of the target position (legs of both legs) (days 2, 5, 7, 10 and 30) and the area of hemorrhage is calculated using image j software.

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Yes

Title of funding source

Esfahan 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**

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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

There is no further information

Study Protocol

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be 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

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