

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Investigating the effect of curcumin-piperine supplementation on interleukin 6 and oxidative stress index in diabetic nephropathy patients

Protocol summary

albumin, Malondialdehyde, Superoxide dismutase, IL-6

Study aim

Determining the effect of curcumin-piperine supplementation on malondialdehyde levels in diabetic nephropathy patients
Determining the effect of curcumin-piperine supplementation on superoxide dismutase level in diabetic nephropathy patients
Determining changes in serum concentration of interleukin 6 in diabetic nephropathy patients receiving curcumin-piperine supplement compared to placebo

Design

Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled

Settings and conduct

randomized controlled trial that will be conducted in the clinic of Valiasr Hospital in Zanjan. 60 patients will be selected who have type 2 diabetes and use oral antidiabetic drugs or insulin.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

This study will be a randomized controlled trial that will be conducted in the clinic of Hazrat Valiasr Hospital in Zanjan. According to the previous study in this field, 60 patients will be selected who have type 2 diabetes and use oral antidiabetic drugs or insulin. The criteria for entering the study will be as follows:

- Age ≥ 18 years
- Type 2 diabetes and nephropathy
- Estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) ≥ 60 ml/min per 1.73 square meters
- Controlled HTN (systolic blood pressure [BP] < 140 and diastolic blood pressure < 90).

Exit criteria: History of gallstones, biliary obstruction (due to the adverse effect of curcumin on these cases), drug intolerance, or the patient's lack of cooperation and the use of chemotherapy drugs (such as methotrexate, paclitaxel, etc.), NSAIDs, antibiotics (such as vancomycin) and herbal medicines that interfere with kidney function within two weeks before sampling.

Intervention groups

- 1- Patients receiving curcumin supplementation
- 2- Patients receiving placebo

Main outcome variables

Fasting Blood Sugar (FBS), HbA1C, Creatinine, Urine

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2024-05-21, 1403/03/01

Expected recruitment end date

2024-08-22, 1403/06/01

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Investigating the effect of curcumin-piperine supplementation on interleukin 6 and oxidative stress index in diabetic nephropathy patients

Public title

Investigating the effect of curcumin-piperine supplementation on interleukin 6 and oxidative stress index in diabetic nephropathy patients

Purpose

Other

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Age ≥ 18 years Type 2 diabetes and nephropathy Estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) ≥ 30 mL/min/1.73 m² Controlled HTN (systolic). blood pressure [BP] < 140 and diastolic blood pressure < 90)

Exclusion criteria:

History of gallstones and biliary obstruction Kidney transplant treatment Autoimmune disease or malignancy pregnancy liver damage History of organ transplantation

Age

From **18 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Care provider
- Investigator
- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser
- Data and Safety Monitoring Board

Sample size

Target sample size: **60**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Random Allocation software was used to randomize the sample into two treatment and placebo groups. Output of mentioned software includes a table that shows the number of each patient is located in each group (intervention or placebo)

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Double blinded

Blinding description

This study has been designed as double-blind and persons including participants, and investigators, were kept unaware of the treatment administered. Drug and placebo vials have similar packaging and labeling and all recorded data will be encoded in the questionnaires and software.

Placebo

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

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2023-11-21, 1402/08/30

Ethics committee reference number

IR.ZUMS.REC.1402.162

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Type 2 diabetic patients with nephropathy

ICD-10 code

E08

ICD-10 code description

Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition

Primary outcomes

1

Description

fasting blood suger

Timepoint

From the beginning of the study (before the start of the intervention) and 90 days after the start of the curcumin-piperine supplement

Method of measurement

Enzymatic method using a kit

2

Description

creatinine

Timepoint

From the beginning of the study (before the start of the intervention) and 90 days after the start of the curcumin-piperine supplement

Method of measurement

Enzymatic method using a kit

3

Description

urine albumine

Timepoint

From the beginning of the study (before the start of the intervention) and 90 days after the start of the curcumin-piperine supplement

Method of measurement

Turbidometry

4

Description

Malondialdehyde

Timepoint

From the beginning of the study (before the start of the intervention) and 90 days after the start of the curcumin-piperine supplement

Method of measurement

Eliza

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Description

Superoxide dismutase

Timepoint

From the beginning of the study (before the start of the intervention) and 90 days after the start of the curcumin-piperine supplement

Method of measurement

eliza

6

Description

interleukin 6

Timepoint

From the beginning of the study (before the start of the intervention) and 90 days after the start of the curcumin-piperine supplement

Method of measurement

eliza

7

Description

HbA1C

Timepoint

From the beginning of the study (before the start of the intervention) and 90 days after the start of the curcumin-piperine supplement

Method of measurement

Enzymatic method using a kit

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: 500m/gram curcumin per day for 3 months

Category

Treatment - Other

2

Description

Control group: Placebo (500 mg of lactose) to be consumed daily for 3 months

Category

Treatment - Other

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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

Zanjan University of Medical Sciences

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

Private

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)

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Justification/reason for indecision/not sharing IPD

because the participant's informations should remain confidential.

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

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