

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Pilot study of efficacy of topical nano-liposomal meglumine antimoniate (Glucantime) or paromomycin in combination with systemic Glucantime for the treatment of anthroponotic cutaneous leishmaniasis (ACL) caused by *Leishmania tropica*

Protocol summary

Summary

Systemic or intralesional pentavalent antimonials are still the first-line treatment of Cutaneous Leishmaniasis (CL). Antimonials are not always effective especially in Anthroponotic CL (ACL), caused by *Leishmania tropica*, patients and resistance is reported. Therapeutic strategy with high efficacy is urgently needed especially for ACL. In this study the efficacy of liposomal formulation of Paromomycin or liposomal formulation of Glucantime in combination with systemic Glucantime in the treatment of ACL parasitologically proven patients will be evaluated. Liposomes, in proper formulations and sizes, deliver drugs to the skin based on the similarity of the bilayers structure of lipid vesicles to that of natural membrane and target the macrophages within dermis. Male or female aged between 12 to 60 years with active lesions will include in the study. Inclusion criteria are parasitologically proven cases of CL and a history of failure to at least one full course of systemic Glucantime. Exclusion criteria are pregnancy or lactating women and duration of lesion less than 12 months. The efficacy of 3 weeks treatment with intramuscular injections of 60 mg/kg/day Glucantime in combination with 4 weeks treatment with topical nano-liposomal paromomycin or glucantime applied, twice daily, or placebo in the treatment of ACL in a randomized, double blind, placebo controlled clinical trial will be assessed. The patients will be followed upto 6 months after the initiation of the treatment. Complete cure equal to complete re-epithelization of all lesions will be the primary outcome of this study.

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

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2009-11-30, 1388/09/09

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Scientific title

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Public title

Efficacy of Topical Liposomal Glucantime or Paromomycin in Combination With Systemic Glucantime for the Treatment of ACL

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: 1. Male or female aged between 12 to 60 years. 2. Parasitologically proven CL due to L. tropica. 3. History of failure to at least one full course of systemic Glucantime. 4. In general good health based on history and physical examination. 5. Number of lesion at most 4. 6. Lesion size less than 3 cm. 7. Signed informed consent voluntarily and knowingly**. ** Guardian's signature for volunteer less than 18 years old. Exclusion criteria: 1. Pregnant or lactating women and those who are planning to be pregnant in next 60 days. 2. Use of other types of treatment for CL. 3. Involvement in any other drug or vaccine trial during the study period. 4. Known heart, kidney, liver diseases based on history and physical exam. 5. Abnormal ECG

Age

From **12 years** old to **60 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

0

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **30**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

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

Double blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features**Secondary Ids****1****Registry name**

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Secondary trial Id

NCT01050777

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

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2009-11-24, 1388/09/03

Ethics committee reference number

454408

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

Protozoal diseases

ICD-10 code

B55.1

ICD-10 code description

Cutaneous Leishmaniasis

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

Complete cure equal to Complete Re-epithelization of all lesions

Timepoint

weekly

Method of measurement

Taking digital pictures

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups**1****Description**

Intervention: Systemic glucantime 60 mg/kg/day for 21 days with topical liposomal glucantime twice a day for 28 days

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2**Description**

Intervention: Systemic glucantime 60 mg/kg/day for 21 days with topical liposomal paromomycine twice a day

for 28 days
Category
Treatment - Drugs

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Description
Control: Systemic glucantime 60 mg/kg/day for 21 days
with topical placebo twice a day for 28 days

Category
Placebo

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Title of funding source
Mashhad University of Medical sciences
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Domestic or foreign origin
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