

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

10 Jun 2026

### The effect of Alendronate on symptoms of knee osteoarthritis

#### Protocol summary

##### Summary

The aim of our study was to investigate the potential effect of Alendronate on the symptoms of knee osteoarthritis. A total number of 39 Patients with primary knee osteoarthritis were enrolled in a randomized double-blinded placebo controlled trial and assigned to intervention or placebo group to receive Alendronate 70 milligram pills (Alendronate product of Dr. ABIDI Company), one tablet per week orally or placebo for 24 weeks. The Primary outcome was Knee osteoarthritis symptoms.

#### General information

##### Acronym

##### IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT138803271479N2**  
Registration date: **2009-09-03, 1388/06/12**  
Registration timing: **retrospective**

Last update:

Update count: **0**

##### Registration date

2009-09-03, 1388/06/12

##### Registrant information

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##### Recruitment status

**Recruitment complete**

##### Funding source

Vice Chancellor for Research, Mashhad University of Medical Science

##### Expected recruitment start date

2007-12-22, 1386/10/01

##### Expected recruitment end date

2008-12-20, 1387/09/30

##### Actual recruitment start date

empty

##### Actual recruitment end date

empty

##### Trial completion date

empty

##### Scientific title

The effect of Alendronate on symptoms of knee osteoarthritis

##### Public title

The effect of Alendronate on symptoms of knee osteoarthritis

##### Purpose

Treatment

##### Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: fulfilling the American College of rheumatology (ACR) criteria of primary knee osteoarthritis, radiologically ascertained grade I or II severity of OA of the knee on the Kellgren-Lawrence scale, having a Western Ontario and McMaster Universities (WOMAC) pain subscale index of at least 2 at baseline (the 5-point Linkert version of the WOMAC), presence of daily knee pain for at least 6 months preceding the study Exclusion criteria: Presence of secondary osteoarthritis, arthroscopy or surgery of target knee within 6 months prior to study, intra-articular treatment of target knee within 6 months prior to study, other chronic inflammatory processes, previous gastrointestinal problems (such as gastroesophageal reflux or esophageal stricture), previous allergic reactions to bisphosphonates, presence of any risk factors for osteoporosis

##### Age

From **40 years** old to **60 years** old

**Gender**

Both

**Phase**

3

**Groups that have been masked**

No information

**Sample size**

Target sample size: 39

**Randomization (investigator's opinion)**

Randomized

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

Double blinded

**Blinding description****Placebo**

Used

**Assignment**

Parallel

**Other design features****Secondary Ids**

empty

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

Ethics committee of Mashhad University of Medical science

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empty

**Ethics committee reference number**

86654

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

Knee osteoarthritis

**ICD-10 code**

M17

**ICD-10 code description**

Gonarthrosis

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

Reduction in symptoms of knee osteoarthritis

**Timepoint**

Weeks 0, 4, 12, 24

**Method of measurement**

WOMAC Index

**Secondary outcomes****1****Description**

Joint space narrowing

**Timepoint**

weeks 0 and 24

**Method of measurement**

Knee X-ray

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

Alendronate tablet 70mg orally single dose/week (Alnate product of Dr. Abidi Company) for 24 weeks.

**Category**

empty

**2****Description**

Placebo, one tablet orally per week for 24 weeks

**Category**

Placebo

**Recruitment centers****1****Recruitment center****Name of recruitment center**

Imam Reza Hospital

**Full name of responsible person**

Mohammadhassan Jokar

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**Sponsors / Funding sources****1****Sponsor****Name of organization / entity**

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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**

Vice Chancellor for Research, Mashhad University of Medical Science

**Proportion provided by this source**

100

**Public or private sector**

*empty*

**Domestic or foreign origin**

*empty*

**Category of foreign source of funding**

*empty*

**Country of origin**

**Type of organization providing the funding**

*empty*

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**Sharing plan**

**Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)**

*empty*

**Study Protocol**

*empty*

**Statistical Analysis Plan**

*empty*

**Informed Consent Form**

*empty*

**Clinical Study Report**

*empty*

**Analytic Code**

*empty*

**Data Dictionary**

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