

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison of the Effect of Terbinafine alone with the Combination of Terbinafine and Prednisolone in the Treatment of Inflammatory Tinea Capitis

Protocol summary

Comparison of scar rate and treatment score in two groups

Study aim

1- Comparison of scarring in patients four months after treatment 2--Comparison of response score to treatment (anti-inflammatory effect) of patients two months after treatment

Design

Clinical trial with parallel groups, double-blind, randomized, on 40 patients.

Settings and conduct

In this interventional study, 40 patients referred to HajDai Dermatology Clinic who are clinically suspected to have inflammatory Tinea Capitis and are confirmed through paraclinical studies are included in the study. Patients are randomly divided into two groups receiving Terbinafine plus placebo and receiving Terbinafine plus Prednisolone as the first and second groups, respectively. Photos of patients are taken at the beginning, during and at the end of the treatment. Patients are followed up initially for up to 4 weeks, weekly and then monthly for up to 4 months in terms of recovery, hair regrowth and possible complications. Treatment results will be reviewed by an impartial dermatologist. Information and treatment results are recorded in patients' files and analyzed by appropriate statistical methods.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Patients with inflammatory tinea capitis whose diagnosis is confirmed clinically and by smear and culture are included in the study. Patients who have already received corticosteroids, patients with immune system deficiency, pregnancy, breastfeeding, diabetic patients are not included in the study.

Intervention groups

Patients will be randomly assigned to 2 groups (Terbinafine and placebo alone or Terbinafine and Prednisolone combination group) in equal numbers.

Main outcome variables

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2023-11-15, 1402/08/24

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empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Comparison of the Effect of Terbinafine alone with the Combination of Terbinafine and Prednisolone in the Treatment of Inflammatory Tinea Capitis

Public title
Comparison of the Effect of Terbinafine alone with the Combination of Terbinafine and Prednisolone in the Treatment of Inflammatory Tinea Capitis

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
All Patients with Inflammatory Tinea Capitis that have been confirmed Clinically and by Smear and Culture.
Exclusion criteria:
Patients who have Previously received Corticosteroids
Patients with Immune System Deficiency
Pregnancy
Breastfeeding
Diabetic patient

Age
No age limit

Gender
Both

Phase
2

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Outcome assessor

Sample size
Target sample size: **40**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
In this interventional study, patients referred to Hajdaiee dermatology clinic who are clinically suspected of inflammatory tinea capitis and are confirmed through para-clinical assessment are included in the study. Patients are randomly assigned to two groups receiving Terbinafine plus placebo and receiving Terbinafine plus Prednisolone, as first and second groups, respectively. Blocks of 4 (10 blocks) will be produced by the software by the statistical consultant. The registration of people is done by the dermatology assistant. People are assigned to two groups by the secretary of the group. The follow-up of the treatment results is done by a dermatologist who does not know about the allocation of people. The concealment mechanism is done by placing the blocks in the sealed envelopes, which is at the disposal of the secretary. Photo of the patients is taken at the beginning, during and at the end of the treatment. Patients are followed up initially weekly for up to 4 weeks, then monthly for up to 4 months in terms of improvement, hair regrowth and possible complications. Treatment outcome will be reviewed by an independent dermatologist. Information and treatment results are recorded in patients' files and analyzed by appropriate statistical methods.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Double blinded

Blinding description
The Patient and the Data Assessor (A Dermatologist who does not know the Allocation of Subjects) are blinded.

Placebo
Used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids
empty

Ethics committees

1

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Ethics committee reference number
IR.KUMS.MED.REC.1402.244

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied
Inflammatory Tinea Capitis
ICD-10 code
ICD-10 code description

2

Description of health condition studied
Kerion
ICD-10 code
ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

1

Description
scar rate
Timepoint
Before treatment and four months after treatment
Method of measurement

photo

2

Description

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Timepoint

Before treatment and 2 months after treatment

Method of measurement

Questionnaire: Based on the clinical symptoms of redness, edema, pustule, scaling, itching, pain and hair loss, it will be scored. Scoring will be done from a minimum score of 0 to a maximum score of 7.

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

First Intervention group: This group receives Terbinafine plus placebo. Based on the patient's weight, less than 25 kilograms 125 mg, between 25-45 kilograms 187.5 mg, and more than 45 kilograms 250 mg will be prescribed oral Terbinafine tablets (Binafine, Tehran Chemical Company) for four weeks.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Intervention group: This group receives combined treatment of Terbinafine and Prednisolone. Based on the patient's weight, less than 25 kilograms 125 mg, between 25-45 kilograms 187.5 mg, and more than 45 kilograms 250 mg will be prescribed oral Terbinafine tablets (Binafine, Tehran Chemical Company) for four weeks. For Prednisolone, for less than 10 years, 2.5 mg and for more than 10 years, 5 mg will be prescribed for 4 weeks.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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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

Kermanshah 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

Information about the main outcome can be shared after de-identifying individuals.

When the data will become available and for how long

Immediately after printing the results.

To whom data/document is available

The data will be available only to researchers working in academic and scientific institutions.

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Analysis on data related to age, sex, location of lesion and occupation of patients is allowed for retrospective studies.

From where data/document is obtainable

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

The requester can request to receive data through email. It will receive the data after 2 days.

Comments