

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The Effect of Twelve Weeks of Aerobic with Breathing Exercises on Physical-Psychological Symptoms, Functional Capacity (VO₂peak), and Hemodynamic Indicators in Patients with Mitral Valve Prolapse

Protocol summary

Study aim

Effects of aerobic-breathing training on sleep quality, fatigue, functional capacity (VO₂ peak), rest and peak hemodynamic indices in patients with mitral valve prolapse.

Design

Clinical trial with control group, parallel-group trial, single-blinded, randomized, phase 2 clinical trial on 30 patients. Opaque envelopes will be used for randomization.

Settings and conduct

Thirty women with MVP will be selected from Tabriz and randomly assigned to two experimental groups (aerobic plus breathing exercises) and one control group. The outcome assessor and statistical analyst will be blinded to group assignments. Variables will be measured at two-time points: before and after the 12-week exercise protocol.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: 1- A history of more than three years of mitral valve prolapse, 2-mild to moderate Mitral regurgitation, 3- normal ventricular function, 4- no history of stroke, panic attacks, hypertension, mental or cognitive disorders, or valve replacement or repair surgery Exclusion criteria: Other major cardiovascular diseases, respiratory diseases, diabetes, and pregnancy.

Intervention groups

Intervention group: Participated in 12 weeks of aerobics combined with breathing exercises, 3 weekly sessions for 45 to 70 minutes each at a moderate intensity. Control group: will Continue with their usual daily activities

Main outcome variables

Sleep quality, fatigue, functional capacity (VO₂peak), resting and peak blood pressure, resting and peak heart rate, resting and peak RPP

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2025-03-02, 1403/12/12

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empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The Effect of Twelve Weeks of Aerobic with Breathing Exercises on Physical-Psychological Symptoms, Functional Capacity (VO₂peak), and Hemodynamic Indicators in Patients with Mitral Valve Prolapse

Public title

The Effect of of Aerobic with Breathing Exercises on Physical-Psychological Symptoms in Patients with Mitral Valve Prolapse

Purpose

Supportive

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

History of mitral valve prolapse for over three years Mild to moderate mitral regurgitation Normal ventricular function

Exclusion criteria:

History of stroke, panic attacks, hypertension, mental or cognitive disorders, or valve replacement or repair surgery. Having other major cardiovascular diseases, respiratory diseases, and diabetes Pregnancy.

Age

From **20 years** old to **50 years** old

Gender

Female

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size

Target sample size: **30**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Simple randomization method will be used. Allocation concealment will be conducted by a researcher not involved in the study. Opaque, identical, sealed envelopes will be prepared, containing the type of intervention according to a randomly generated allocation sequence. The envelopes, numbered from 1 to 30, will be distributed based on the order of participants entering the study.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

Blinding description

The outcome assessor will be blinded to the group differences in both pre-test and post-test phases. The data analyst will also be blinded to the group differences and the groups will be entered into SPSS with codes 1 and 2.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

Ethics committee of Azarbaijan shahidmadani university

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2024-07-22, 1403/05/01

Ethics committee reference number

IR.AZARUNIV.REC.1403.005

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Mitral Valve Prolapse

ICD-10 code

I34.1

ICD-10 code description

Nonrheumatic mitral (valve) prolapse

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Sleep quality

Timepoint

Before and after 12 weeks of training protocol

Method of measurement

Petersburg Sleep Questionnaire (PSQI)

2

Description

Fatigue

Timepoint

Before and after 12 weeks of training protocol

Method of measurement

Daily fatigue questionnaire (Multidimensional Fatigue Inventory)

3

Description

Peak VO₂

Timepoint

Before and after 12 weeks of training protocol

Method of measurement

6-minute walk test(6MWT)

4

Description

Resting systolic and diastolic blood pressure

Timepoint

Before and after 12 weeks of training protocol

Method of measurement

Omron M3 digital blood pressure monitor

5

Description

Peak systolic and diastolic blood pressure

Timepoint

Before and after 12 weeks of training protocol immediately after the 6MWT test

Method of measurement

Omron M3 digital blood pressure monitor

6

Description

Rest Heart rate

Timepoint

Before and after 12 weeks of training protocol

Method of measurement

Omron M3 digital blood pressure monitor

7

Description

Peak Heart Rate

Timepoint

Before and after 12 weeks of training protocol immediately after the 6MWT test

Method of measurement

Omron M3 digital blood pressure monitor

8

Description

Rest Rate Pressure Product

Timepoint

Before and after 12 weeks of training protocol

Method of measurement

Defined by resting heart rate (RHR) multiplied by systolic blood pressure (SBP)

9

Description

Peak Rate Pressure Product

Timepoint

Before and after 12 weeks of training protocol immediately after the 6MWT test

Method of measurement

Defined by peak heart rate multiplied by systolic blood pressure (SBP)

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Engage in 12 weeks of combined aerobic and breathing exercise training, three days a week for 45 to 70 minutes. The intensity of the workout will be adjusted based on heart rate and Borg's perceived exertion. According to the American College of Sports Medicine guidelines, a heart rate 20 to 30 beats above resting heart rate and a Borg's perceived exertion score of 4 to 6 (relatively mild to slightly intense) would be the target intensity.

Category

Lifestyle

2

Description

Control group: will Continue with their usual daily activities

Category

Lifestyle

Recruitment centers

1

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Name of recruitment center

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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

Azarbaijan Shahid Madani University

Proportion provided by this source

20

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

Data collection will be done by the researchers and information about the main outcomes of the study will be published.

When the data will become available and for how long

Access to the data will be possible immediately after the results are printed.

To whom data/document is available

The general public, athletic trainers, MVP patients, and researchers

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Reviewers of magazines and Azerbaijan Shahid Madani

university are allowed to send requests to receive non-identifiable personal data or other documents. Until the publication of the results in the form of an article, it is not allowed to perform statistical analysis on the delivered data.

From where data/document is obtainable

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

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Comments