

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Effects of Gabapentin on postoperative pain after laparoscopic cholecystectomy

Protocol summary

Summary

In this study, 80 patients, aged 35-60, class I, II American Society of Anesthesiology, candidate for elective laparoscopic cholecystectomy, randomly divided into 2 equal groups of 40 patients. Patients with a history of seizures and psychiatric disorders are excluded. The patients receive Gabapentin 600 mg in intervention group and capsule without Gabapentin, empty capsule, orally as a placebo in control group 1.5 hours before surgery. Anesthetic premedication included midazolam (0.01-0.03 mg/kg), fentanyl (3 µg/kg), morphine (0.1 mg/kg), dexamethasone (8 mg), metoclopramide (10 mg) and lidocaine (1 mg/kg). Anesthesia induced with Sodium thiopental (5 mg/kg) and atracurium (0.5 mg/kg). Anesthesia is maintained with Isoflurane 0.6-1.2% and N₂O 50% plus O₂ 50%. All patients receive intravenous meperidine (25 mg) after gallbladder removal. The patients are reversed with 2.5 mg Neostigmine and 1 mg Atropine. The pain score is evaluated with Visual Analog Scale (0-10) every 2 hours for 12 hours then every 6 hours for the next 12 hours. If the pain score is greater than 4, intravenous morphine (3 mg) is administered. All patients are evaluated for nausea and vomiting, vertigo and drowsiness for 24 hours. Finally, we compare morphine consumption and patient's pain scores of two groups.

General information

Acronym

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Trial completion date

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Scientific title

Effects of Gabapentin on postoperative pain after laparoscopic cholecystectomy

Public title

Effects of Gabapentin on postoperative pain after laparoscopic cholecystectomy

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Class I, II, American Society of Anesthesiology; 35-60 years; Elective Laparoscopic cholecystectomy. Exclusion criteria: History of epilepsy; Psychological disorder; History of anticonvulsant drug

usage; laparotomy during laparoscope surgery; surgery time longer than 3 hours; opioid addiction; Bleeding during surgery that needs blood transfusion.

Age

From **35 years** old to **60 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **80**

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

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Cholecystectomy

ICD-10 code

Acquired a

ICD-10 code description

Z90.4

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Postoperative pain

Timepoint

72 hours postoperative

Method of measurement

Visual Analog Scale

2

Description

The amount of Morphine

Timepoint

72 hours postoperative

Method of measurement

miligram

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Sedation

Timepoint

72 h postoperative

Method of measurement

Ramsay sedation scale

2

Description

Nausea and vomiting

Timepoint

72 h postoperative

Method of measurement

Yes/ No

3

Description

Vertigo

Timepoint

72 h postoperative

Method of measurement

Yes/ No

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention: Gabapentin 600 mg per oral 1.5 hours before surgery .

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

In control group : placebo (capsule without gabapentin)
1.5 hours before surgery

Category

Treatment - Drugs

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Yes

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Sciences

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

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Study Protocol

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Statistical Analysis Plan

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Informed Consent Form

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Clinical Study Report

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Analytic Code

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Data Dictionary

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