Clinical Trial Protocol
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Superficial parotidectomy with or without the use of a post-operative drain: A Randomized, Open-label, Phase II Clinical Trial

Protocol summary

Study aim
Evaluation of postoperative complications and length of hospital stay in patients with and without drain placement

Design
This is a phase II, randomized, controlled clinical trial involving 70 patients. Participants are allocated to study groups using a simple randomization method.

Settings and conduct
This study is conducted on patients undergoing superficial parotidectomy at this hospital, and postoperative complications are monitored during the follow-up period.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria
Participants include patients diagnosed with benign parotid neoplasm who candidates for superficial parotidectomy. Exclusion criteria consist of patients with malignant parotid tumors and those with underlying coagulation disorders.

Intervention groups
The intervention group consists of patients who undergoing superficial parotidectomy without drain placement, whereas the control group consists of patients who undergoing superficial parotidectomy with drain placement.

Main outcome variables
The primary outcome is the rate of postoperative surgical site complications (hematoma, seroma, and infection) within the first 60 days post-surgery

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information
IRCT registration number: **IRCT20260511069350N1**
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Recruitment status
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Trial completion date
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Scientific title
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Public title
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Purpose
Prevention

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Patients with benign salivary gland tumors located in the superficial lobe of the parotid gland

Exclusion criteria:

malignant tumor Hemostatic disorders

Age

No age limit

Gender

Both

Phase

2

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **70**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Simple randomization was performed using a random numbers table to allocate participants to the intervention and control groups.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

Ethics committee of Iran University of Medical Sciences

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2026-01-30, 1404/11/10

Ethics committee reference number

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Comparison of the incidence of postoperative complications after superficial parotidectomy for benign parotid neoplasms with versus without drain placement.

ICD-10 code

ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

1

Description

The incidence rate of postoperative hematoma

Timepoint

within a 2-month postoperative period

Method of measurement

The diagnostic criterion is clinical assessment, and ultrasound will be used if necessary.

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Postoperative seroma formation rate.

Timepoint

within a 2-month postoperative period

Method of measurement

The diagnostic criterion is clinical assessment, and ultrasound will be used if necessary.

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Patients undergoing superficial parotidectomy without drain placement.

Category

Treatment - Surgery

2

Description

Control group: Patients undergoing superficial parotidectomy with drain placement.

Category

Treatment - Surgery

Recruitment centers

1

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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
Iran 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
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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
Not applicable
Title and more details about the data/document
Information related to the primary outcome and study results.
When the data will become available and for how long
Data access will commence 6 months after publication of the results.
To whom data/document is available
Access will be restricted to researchers affiliated with academic and scientific institutions.
Under which criteria data/document could be used
Data may be used for non-commercial academic research, including secondary analyses and meta-analyses, under a data use agreement ensuring confidentiality and proper citation of the original trial.
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What processes are involved for a request to access data/document
The request for data use must be submitted in writing, accompanied by a brief research proposal and an analysis plan, to the principal investigator. Following scientific and ethical review and approval, and upon signing a data use agreement, de-identified data will be made available to the applicant within the scope of that agreement.
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