

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparing the therapeutic effects of oral corticosteroid, intratympanic corticosteroid and combined approach in patients with sudden sensorineural hearing loss

Protocol summary

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Summary

Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss (SSNHL) is an emergency issue in the field of ENT. The present study was designed to compare the therapeutic effects of 3 modalities among 150 subjects: group1) receiving oral prednisolone for 10 days (75mg). They will also be administered 0.6ml of placebo at days 1,5,9, and 13 intratympanically. group2) receiving 0.6ml of methyl prednisolone intratympanically at days 1,5,9, and 13 as well placebo orally. group3) receiving prednisolone as group 1 and methyl prednisolone as group 2 protocol. Meanwhile, serum level of TG, cholesterol, FBS, HBA1C, LDL, HDL, ESR, RF, ANA, and FTA-ABS will be assessed.

Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

ENT research center, Tehran University of Medical Sciences

Expected recruitment start date

2012-02-20, 1390/12/01

Expected recruitment end date

2013-02-18, 1391/11/30

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT201202159039N1**

Registration date: **2012-03-12, 1390/12/22**

Registration timing: **registered_while_recruiting**

Last update:

Update count: **0**

Registration date

2012-03-12, 1390/12/22

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Scientific title

Comparing the therapeutic effects of oral corticosteroid, intratympanic corticosteroid and combined approach in patients with sudden sensorineural hearing loss

Public title

Treating sudden sensorineural hearing loss

Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: All patients with SSNHL referring to Amiralam hospital within the first 10 day of onset
Exclusion criteria: receiving therapy in other centers; contraindication to corticosteroid such as pregnancy, diabetes mellitus, etc; previous history of SSNHL; immunocompromised subjects; fluctuating SNHL; previous history of hydropsis; history of brain pathology or temporal bone pathology; concurrent acute or chronic otitis; VDRL-positive cases; uncooperative subjects; referring after 10 days.

Age

No age limit
Gender
Both
Phase
N/A
Groups that have been masked
No information
Sample size
Target sample size: **150**
Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized
Randomization description
Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Double blinded
Blinding description
Placebo
Used
Assignment
Parallel
Other design features

Secondary Ids

1
Registry name
None
Secondary trial Id
None
Registration date
empty

Ethics committees

1
Ethics committee
Name of ethics committee
Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Ethics Committee
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Tehran University of Medical Sciences
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Postal code
Approval date
2011-12-30, 1390/10/09
Ethics committee reference number
90-03-48-15295-42721

Health conditions studied

1
Description of health condition studied
Idiopathic sudden sensorineural hearing loss
ICD-10 code
H91.2
ICD-10 code description
Sudden hearing loss NOS

Primary outcomes

1
Description
Hearing loss
Timepoint
Before trial, one and 4 weeks following the intervention
Method of measurement
Audiometry

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1
Description
Group 1) Oral prednisolone (75mg) for 10 days, and 0.6ml of intratympanic placebo at days 1,5,9,13
Category
Treatment - Drugs

2
Description
Group 2) 0.6ml intratympanic methyl prednisolone at days 1,5,9,13 and oral placebo for 10 days
Category
Treatment - Drugs

3
Description
Group 3) oral prednisolone like group 1 and intratympanic methyl prednisolone like group 2
Category
Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

1
Recruitment center
Name of recruitment center
Amiralam Hospital
Full name of responsible person
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Sponsors / Funding sources

1
Sponsor
Name of organization / entity
ENT Research center, Tehran University of Medical

Sciences

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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

ENT Research center, Tehran University of Medical Sciences

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

Person responsible for general inquiries

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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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