

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Clinical results comparison of mechanical and transepithelial debridement in photorefractive keratectomy

Protocol summary

Summary

Photorefractive keratectomy (PRK) is a kind of refractive error surgery with a long history in refractive error corrections. There are several ways for epithelial debridement before stromal ablation. In this study, we compared clinical factors such as operation time, rate of re epithelialization, postoperative pain, refractive error, epithelial defect, intraocular pressure, contrast acuity, uncorrected and best corrected acuity in mechanical (m-PRK) and trans epithelial PRK (t-PRK). This comparative study included 80 eyes of 40 patients with myopia and mean age of 31.22+-8.7 (ranged from 20 to 55) years. After complete preoperative examinations, mechanical technique was done in one eye randomly and transepithelial technique in the contralateral eye. All postoperative clinical factors were measured and recorded in 6 months. The inclusion criteria was patients with myopia up to 8.00D and have trend for doing PRK, with normal corneal thickness, normal IOP, normal epithelium and endothelium, and... the exclusion criteria was patients with anterior or posterior segment pathology, progressive refractive error, keratoconus, history of any ocular surgery and...

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

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Research Grant

Expected recruitment start date

2017-08-23, 1396/06/01

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Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Clinical results comparison of mechanical and transepithelial debridement in photorefractive keratectomy

Public title

Clinical results comparison of mechanical and transepithelial debridement in photorefractive keratectomy

Purpose

Diagnostic

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

The inclusion criteria was patients with myopia up to 8.00D and have trend for doing PRK; with normal corneal thickness; normal IOP; normal epithelium and

endothelium; clear medias; leaving wearing soft contact lenses for two weeks and hard contact lenses for three month; have normal tear quantity and quality; the exclusion criteria was patients with anterior or posterior segment pathology; progressive refractive error; keratoconus; history of any ocular surgery; amblyopia; dry eye

Age

No age limit

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: 40

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

N/A

Randomization description**Blinding (investigator's opinion)**

Single blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Not used

Assignment

Single

Other design features**Secondary Ids**

empty

Ethics committees**1****Ethics committee****Name of ethics committee**

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2017-07-15, 1396/04/24

Ethics committee reference number

IR.MUMS.REC.1396.130

Health conditions studied**1****Description of health condition studied**

Refractive surgery

ICD-10 code

H57.8

ICD-10 code description

Other specified disorders of eye and adnexa

Primary outcomes**1****Description**

Postoperative pain assessment

Timepoint

The first, third, fifth and first, third and sixth months after surgery

Method of measurement

Using 11-point numeric scale of pain and eye sensation scale questionnaires

Secondary outcomes**1****Description**

UCVA, refraction, BCVA, keratometry, bio microscopy, tear quantity, contrast acuity, IOP

Timepoint

The first, third and sixth months

Method of measurement

Visual acuity chart, auto refractometer, keratometer, slit lamp, schirmer test 1, Vector Vision CSV 1000, tonometer

Intervention groups**1****Description**

PRK surgery

Category

Treatment - Surgery

Recruitment centers**1****Recruitment center****Name of recruitment center**

Khatam Al Anbia Hospital in Mashhad

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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
Mashhad 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

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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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