

# Clinical Trial Protocol

## Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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### Monopolar Electrocautery versus Scalpel on paraspinal muscle dissections: The effect on electrodiagnostic study

#### Protocol summary

##### Summary

The aim of this study is to evaluate the paraspinal muscle dissection safe method. This study is double-blind interventional study. Every patient is both case and control. Inclusion criteria: Patients with a fractured spine who are candidate for posterior segmental fixation surgery. Exclusion criteria: Lack of consent to participate in the study; Patients with neurological deficit before surgery; Hemodynamic instability and etc. interventions of the study are Paraspinal muscle dissection with Monopolar Electrocautery in right side and Paraspinal muscle dissection with a Scalpel in left side. The main outcome variable is F-wave latency in preoperation and postoperation over the three lower extremity nerves (Femoral nerve, Tibial nerve and Peroneal nerve).

#### General information

##### Acronym

##### IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT2017041233383N1**

Registration date: **2017-06-17, 1396/03/27**

Registration timing: **prospective**

Last update:

Update count: **0**

##### Registration date

2017-06-17, 1396/03/27

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**Recruitment complete**

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##### Expected recruitment start date

2017-06-22, 1396/04/01

##### Expected recruitment end date

2017-12-22, 1396/10/01

##### Actual recruitment start date

empty

##### Actual recruitment end date

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##### Trial completion date

empty

##### Scientific title

Monopolar Electrocautery versus Scalpel on paraspinal muscle dissections: The effect on electrodiagnostic study

##### Public title

Effect of Monopolar Electrocautery versus Scalpel

##### Purpose

Treatment

##### Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Patients with a fractured spine who candidates for posterior segmental fixation surgery.

Exclusion criteria: Lack of consent to participate in the study; Patients with significant preoperative paresis; Patients in need of laminectomy, foraminotomy or obvious distraction; Unstable conditions and non-cooperative patients( Critically ill, Incomplete consciousness); Vertebral fractures outside the scope of T10 to S1.

##### Age

No age limit

##### Gender

Both

**Phase**

N/A

**Groups that have been masked**

No information

**Sample size**

Target sample size: 30

**Randomization (investigator's opinion)**

Not randomized

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

Double blinded

**Blinding description****Placebo**

Not used

**Assignment**

Parallel

**Other design features****Secondary Ids**

empty

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

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2010-08-20, 1389/05/29

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9317420

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

Fractured spine candidates for posterior segmental fixation surgery

**ICD-10 code**

G54.3; G54

**ICD-10 code description**Thoracic root disorders, Not elsewhere classified;  
Lumbosacral root disorders, Not elsewhere classified**Primary outcomes****1****Description**

Nerve Conduction Velocity( F-wave latency)

**Timepoint**

Before surgery; One day after surgery

**Method of measurement**

F-wave latency time in milliseconds by an Electromyogram

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

Neurologic deficit

**Timepoint**

Before surgery; One day after surgery

**Method of measurement**

Physical examination: Sensory; Motor; Sphincter

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

The right side paraspinal muscles cut with Monopolar Electrocautery.

**Category**

Treatment - Surgery

**2****Description**

The left side paraspinal muscles cut with Scalpel.

**Category**

Treatment - Surgery

**Recruitment centers****1****Recruitment center****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**

Vice Chancellor for research of Arak 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*

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**Type of organization providing the funding**

*empty*

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**Sharing plan**

**Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)**

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**Study Protocol**

*empty*

**Statistical Analysis Plan**

*empty*

**Informed Consent Form**

*empty*

**Clinical Study Report**

*empty*

**Analytic Code**

*empty*

**Data Dictionary**

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