

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparison between Pneumatic Radial Shock Wave and Electromagnetic Radial Shock Wave on Pain and Disability Index in Patients with Plantar Fasciitis.

Protocol summary

Study aim

Comparison between Pneumatic Radial Shock Wave and Electromagnetic Radial Shock Wave on Pain and Disability Index in Patients with Plantar Fasciitis.

Design

A Quasi-experimental trials with 2 treatment groups with sample size including 36 patients and single blind. Patients through Random Table Number are divided by 2 groups. In the studied patients, special group sequentially enter in the dark envelopes. The envelopes is opened by researcher and patient is not aware of the treatment groups.

Settings and conduct

A study is conducted at the Khatam Al Anbia Physiotherapy Clinic. The patients with having inclusion criteria after referring to the clinic, randomly divided into Pneumatic Radial Shock Wave and Electromagnetic Radial Shock Wave. After completing the consent form and the initial assessment, the patients based on their group, will receive 5 treatment sessions. The Participants are blind to the treatment groups but researcher that is an evaluator is not blind to the treatment groups.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: women and men 23 to 61 years with Plantar Fasciitis with symptoms at least 3 months;
Exclusion criteria: bilateral Plantar Fasciitis, Arthritis: Ankylosing Spondylitis, Diabetes, Cardiac Arrhythmia or Pacemaker, Vascular Disease, History of trauma or foot fracture, Infection or open wound on the heel, Radiculopathy, Neuropathy, Tarsal Tunnel Syndrome, Anticoagulant Therapy, History of fascia surgery, Malignancy, Pregnancy, History of Physiotherapy at 3 months ago, History of injection at 6 months ago, History of treatment with Shock Wave, Foot or Ankle, Athletes

Intervention groups

For the patients in the first group, 5 sessions treatments with Pneumatic Radial Shock Wave and in the second

group, 5 sessions treatments with Electromagnetic Radial Shock Wave are used.

Main outcome variables

Pain; Disability Index

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20180924041111N1**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2017-12-06, 1396/09/15

Expected recruitment end date

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Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date
empty

Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Comparison between Pneumatic Radial Shock Wave and Electromagnetic Radial Shock Wave on Pain and Disability Index in Patients with Plantar Fasciitis.

Public title
Comparison between Pneumatic Radial Shock Wave and Electromagnetic Radial Shock Wave on Pain and Disability in Patients with Plantar Fasciitis.

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
Women and Men 23 to 61years with Plantar Fasciitis
Symptoms for at least 3 months
Exclusion criteria:
Bilateral Plantar Fasciitis Arthritis: Ankylosing Spondylitis
Diabetes Cardiac Arrhythmia or Pacemaker Vascular Disease Infection or Open Wound on the heel
Radiculopathy, Neuropathy and Tarsal Tunnel Syndrome
Anticoagulant Therapy Pregnancy History of recent Fascia Surgery History of Physiotherapy at 3 months ago
Injection at 6 months ago History of treatment with Shock Wave Malignancy Athletes History of recent trauma or Foot fracture foot or ankle instability

Age
From **23 years** old to **61 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Participant

Sample size
Target sample size: **36**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
Simple Randomization through Random Table Numbers

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Single blinded

Blinding description
After referring to the clinic, a person receives a consent form containing all information related to the purpose and benefits of study and all exclusion and inclusion criteria, which gives patient the right to participate in the study and assures her of retaining all her personal information and give her the right to leave the study if she wishes. The cause of single blindness of the study is that the participants are unaware of the treatment groups but the researcher that is an evaluator, is aware of the treatment groups.

Placebo
Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids
empty

Ethics committees

1

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2017-07-25, 1396/05/03

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IR.MUI.REC.1396.3.307

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Plantar Fasciitis

ICD-10 code

m72.2

ICD-10 code description

Plantar fascial fibromatosis

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Pain

Timepoint

Before and 1and 5 weeks after the intervention

Method of measurement

Visual Analogue Scale

2

Description

Disability Index

Timepoint

Before and 1and 5 weeks after the intervention

Method of measurement

foot and ankle ability measure questionnaire

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group 1: for the one group, 5 sessions treatments with Pneumatic Radial Shock Wave, 360G, Novin are used. The treatment protocol including: 1500 shocks, 1.5 bar at the first session and 2000 shocks, 2 bar at the second session and 2500 shocks, 3 bar at the 3 last session

Category

Rehabilitation

2

Description

Intervention group 2: for the second group, 5 sessions treatments with electromagnetic Radial Shock Wave enPULS PRO, Zimmer are used. The treatment protocol including: 1500 shocks, 1.5 bar at the first session and 2000 shocks, 2 bar at the second session and 2500 shocks, 3 bar at the 3 last session

Category

Rehabilitation

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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

Esfahan 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

Country of origin

Type of organization providing the funding

Academic

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Study Protocol

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available