

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Effects of organic boron - sugar complex (as Calcium Fructoborate) supplement on the severity and consequences of COVID-19 in inpatient cases: A double blind Clinical Trial

Protocol summary

Study aim

Effects of organic boron - sugar complex (as Calcium Fructoborate) supplement on the severity and consequences of COVID-19 in inpatient cases.

Design

Clinical trial with control group with parallel groups, phase 2 on 300 patients

Settings and conduct

This study will be performed on confirmed Covid-19 patients in Bu Ali Sina and Velayat hospitals in Qazvin. All patients will receive standard treatment based on recommendations of the national COVID-19 treatment guidelines. In the intervention group, calcium fructoborate solution and in the control group, placebo solution with similar taste, color and appearance will be given and the mortality rate and length of hospital stay will be recorded and compared.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: definitive cases of Covid-19 confirmed by positive PCR test on nasopharyngeal secretions. Exclusion criteria: Age younger than 19 or older than 80 years old. Suspected to have bacterial respiratory infections in the beginning of study. Suffering from serious chronic diseases pregnancy. Receiving drugs that are not recommended in national guidelines for COVID-19 treatment (including steroids higher than dexamethasone 8 mg daily equivalent, IVIG, plasmapheresis, serum therapy, hemoperfusion, pirfenidone) during the study period for any reason.

Intervention groups

Drug group: Patients receiving standard diet of Covid 19 plus a syrup containing organic-sugar boron complex (as calcium fructoborate) containing 430 mg in 5 ml. Placebo group: Patients receiving the standard treatment regimen for Covid 19 plus placebo syrup with the same color and taste as the calcium fructoborate syrup.

Main outcome variables

Mortality rate and length of hospital stay

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20090803002276N4**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2021-11-01, 1400/08/10

Expected recruitment end date

2022-01-30, 1400/11/10

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Effects of organic boron - sugar complex (as Calcium Fructoborate) supplement on the severity and consequences of COVID-19 in inpatient cases: A double blind Clinical Trial

Public title
Evaluation of impact of Calcium Calcium Fructoborate in patients admitted with the diagnosis of COVID19 infection.

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
Admission in the hospital with a positive PCR test for COVID-19 Age between 19 and 80 years
Exclusion criteria:
Patients suspected to bacterial infections in the first day of admission suffering severe chronic diseases pregnancy consumption of medications not recommended in national COVID-19 guideline.

Age
From **19 years** old to **80 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
2-3

Groups that have been masked

- Participant
- Investigator
- Outcome assessor
- Data analyser

Sample size
Target sample size: **300**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
Random allocation rule is used for allocation of patients to intervention and control groups. one hundred fifty pieces of paper will be marked as intervention and control and placed in a bag. In the first day of admission, one of papers is pulled out randomly and according to the word written on the paper, the participant will be placed in one of the two groups. Neither the patient nor the chief researcher will be notified of their assignment to the groups.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Double blinded

Blinding description
During the process of allocation of patients to intervention and placebo groups, only the clinical caregivers will be notified of the individual's allocation to the drug or placebo group. There is no difference between the drug and the placebo in terms of shape and taste and the patient will not notice his/her group at all. Outcome assessors also do not know to what group each patient belongs to. Statistical analysts and authors of the

draft article, identify the patients only by a number and their name will remain completely unknown to them.

Placebo
Used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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Ethics committee reference number

IR.QUMS.REC.1400.260

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

covid-19

ICD-10 code

U07.1

ICD-10 code description

COVID-19, virus identified

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Mortality rate

Timepoint

from including to study to 30 days

Method of measurement

Observation

2

Description

Hospital stay

Timepoint

After discharge

Method of measurement

Patient hospital record

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Arterial Oxygen Saturation

Timepoint

Daily

Method of measurement

Pulse oxymeter device

2

Description

Respiratory rate

Timepoint

Daily

Method of measurement

Counting the number of breaths per minute

3

Description

Leukocyte count

Timepoint

Every three days

Method of measurement

Cell counter device

4

Description

Lymphocyte percentage

Timepoint

Every three days

Method of measurement

Cell counter device

5

Description

Serum electrolites

Timepoint

Every three days

Method of measurement

Flame photometer device

6

Description

Quantitative C reactive Protein

Timepoint

Every three days

Method of measurement

Turbidometer device

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Standard therapeutic regimen for COVID-19 and a dose of 5 milliliter of a syrup containing 430 mg Calcium fructoborate solution prepared by Arnica daru Danesh Adrin Co. prescribed daily by oral route from the first day of admission to completion of ten days.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

2

Description

Control group: Standard therapeutic regimen for COVID-19 and a dose of placebo as syrup prepared by Arnica daru Danesh Adrin Co. with the same color, odour, taste and volume of the the syrup prescribed for the intervention group for daily oral use till 10 days, for patients in control group.

Category

Placebo

Recruitment centers

1

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Sponsors / Funding sources

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

Arnica darou danesh adrin

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

Industry

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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

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Title and more details about the data/document

All data, after the individuals are unidentified, can be

shared

When the data will become available and for how long

Six months after publishing the results

To whom data/document is available

Academic researchers

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Scientific purposes

From where data/document is obtainable

Website of the Research Committee of Qazvin University of Medical Sciences

What processes are involved for a request to access data/document

Clear request on the site to access the data by the individual and then review the request by the research assistant within 2 weeks and then allow access to the data.

Comments