

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Analgesic effect of ischemic compression therapy and shock wave therapy for trigger point release on temporomandibular dysfunction.

Protocol summary

Study aim

To find out the effect of ischemic compression therapy and shock wave therapy for releasing trigger point on temporomandibular dysfunction.

Design

It will be single blinding randomize clinical trial in which 45 individuals will be recruited.

Settings and conduct

This study will be conducted on Islamabad diagnostic center Faisalabad. Participants will be blinded these individuals will not know in which group they will be allocated.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion Criteria: Functional disorder within masticatory muscle, Complaint of acute pain and presence of joint clicking. Exclusion Criteria; If individual have diabetes, Cardiovascular problem, sensory deficient , Skin lesion, fibromyalgia and tuberculosis.

Intervention groups

Interventional groups are three. Group A will receive ischemic compression therapy, Group B will receive shock wave therapy, And group C will receive the combination effect of ischemic compression therapy and shock wave therapy.

Main outcome variables

Pain will be measure by using visual analogue scale. Functional ability will be measure by using temporomandibular dysfunction questionnaire before and after treatment

General information

Reason for update

To update the missing information

Acronym

Shock wave therapy (SWT) Ischemic compression therapy (ISC) Temporomandibular dysfunction (TMD)

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20240120060742N1**

Registration date: **2024-02-15, 1402/11/26**

Registration timing: **prospective**

Last update: **2025-02-08, 1403/11/20**

Update count: **1**

Registration date

2024-02-15, 1402/11/26

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2024-03-18, 1402/12/28

Expected recruitment end date

2024-03-18, 1402/12/28

Actual recruitment start date

2024-06-18, 1403/03/29

Actual recruitment end date

2024-06-18, 1403/03/29

Trial completion date

2024-07-18, 1403/04/28

Scientific title

Analgesic effect of ischemic compression therapy and shock wave therapy for trigger point release on temporomandibular dysfunction.

Public title

Trigger point release on temporomandibular dysfunction by ischemic compression therapy and shock wave therapy.

Purpose

Education/Guidance

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Gender both male and female. Patient age ranges from 20 to 60 year. Patients suffer from painful functional disorder within the masticatory muscles of myofascial characteristics. Chief complaint of acute pain in the joint on at least one side (duration less than 6months). Presence of joint clicking during opening that was eliminated on protrusive opening.

Exclusion criteria:

If individual have diabetes, cardiovascular problem, sensory deficient, skin lesion in the area of trigger point, fibromyalgia and tuberculosis Pregnant women, history of fascial trauma, fracture of facial bone and facial palsy Presence of systemic disease and history of recent trauma

Age

From **20 years** old to **60 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

- Participant

Sample size

Target sample size: **45**

More than 1 sample in each individual

Number of samples in each individual: **15**

Sample size was calculated through epi tool and according to that formula calculation there will be 45 sample size which will be further allocated into three groups by simple randomization technique. Group A will have 15 participants, Group B will have 15 participants, and Group C will have 15 participants.

Actual sample size reached: **45**

More than 1 sample in each individual

Actual sample size in each individual: **15**
randomization

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Randomization through sealed envelope. Non-probability convenient sampling will use for the study. Groups allocation will be accomplished using simple randomization sampling technique. The participants will be recruited into this study, allocation to groups will be done by chit and draw method.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Single blinded

Blinding description

It is a single blind study, participants will be blinded as they will not know the treatment which they will receive.

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Other

Other design features

sampling technique

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

The Ethics committee of University of Faisalabad

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Ethics committee reference number

TUF/Addl Reg/A-14/119

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Patients who will have experience orofascial pain, pain in the muscles of mastication due to trigger points on the temporomandibular joint will include in this study.

ICD-10 code

K07.6

ICD-10 code description

Temporomandibular joint-pain-dysfunction syndrome

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Visual analogous scale.

Timepoint

At the time of enrollment, later after 3rd and last after the 6th session.

Method of measurement

1-10 Points on paper

2

Description

visual analogous scale

Timepoint

At the time of enrollment, later after 3rd and last after the 6th session.

Method of measurement

1-10 Points on paper

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Temporomandibular dysfunction questionnaire before and after treatment.

Timepoint

At the time of enrollment, later after 3rd and last after the 6th session.

Method of measurement

Questionnaire

Intervention groups

1

Description

Interventional Group 1 will receive ischemic compression therapy. *Baseline treatment was relaxation exercise. *Fist of all patients were relaxation on treatment bed in supine line position* There were 6 treatment session in one month. *There were three consecutive treatment sessions for three days. * There was relaxation period of one week. After relaxation of one week there were three consecutive treatment session for next three days. *The time of treatment in one session was five to eight minutes per patient. In this group of treatment therapist applied compression by thumb on active trigger points for 90 seconds. *Then relax for thirty seconds. *This type of compression was applied for three time in one session and continues for three consecutive days.

Category

Treatment - Other

2

Description

Intervention group B: will receive shock wave therapy *Baseline treatment was relaxation exercises. *Patients were relaxed on the treatment bed and treated in supine line position. *Patient lying on supine line position with slightly open mouth that will reflex the jaw muscles. *After localizing and palpating the pain region shock wave was applied with energy flux density of 1500 with shock wave frequency of 2000 strokes per therapy session. *About 2000 shock wave delivered per session on the active trigger points of masseter muscles. *There was 3 session of treatment in one week. *After that there was relaxation period of one week. *After relaxation period of one week Shock wave was applied for consecutive three days. *There were 3 session of treatment in one week. There were two weeks of treatment session.

Category

Treatment - Other

3

Description

Intervention group C: Interventional Group 3 will receive the combination effect of ischemic compression therapy

and shock wave therapy. *Baseline treatment was relaxation exercise. *Patients were in relaxation in supine line. *Patients received 6 session in one month, 3 days consecutive treatment after one week of relaxation again 3 days consecutive treatment.*Patients received ischemic compression therapy first. *compression of 60 second with thumb on trigger point then relaxation of 30 second.*Time of treatment was 5 to 8 minutes.*After localizing and palpating the pain region shock wave was applied with energy flux density of 1500 with shock wave frequency of 2000 strokes per therapy session. *About 2000 shock wave delivered per session on the active trigger points of masseter muscles. There were total 6 treatment sessions with one week relaxation period. There were two weeks of treatment session.*

Category

Treatment - Other

Recruitment centers

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

The University of Faisalabad.

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

Private

Domestic or foreign origin

Foreign

Category of foreign source of funding

Sponsor: country of origin

Country of origin

PK

Type of organization providing the funding

Academic

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

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Justification/reason for indecision/not sharing IPD

For concealing participants identity

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

No - There is not 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

Not applicable

Title and more details about the data/document

Analgesic effect of ischemic compression therapy and shock wave therapy for trigger point release on

temporomandibular dysfunction.

When the data will become available and for how long

Starting from April 2021

To whom data/document is available

This data is available for the people who are working in academic institutions.

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Data will be available to researchers with valid affiliation

to any institute.

From where data/document is obtainable

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

Inquirer must provide cover letter stating their reason to obtain data and a brief outlook of their research.

Comments