Clinical Trial Protocol
Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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comparison of bupropion and ritaline in the treatment of children with ADHD: a double blind trial

Protocol summary

Summary

The aim of the present study is to evaluate the efficacy of Bupropion on ADHD in children and adolescents through a double-blind, randomized, controlled trial. 40 outpatients, including 6-17 years old who clearly meet the DSM-IV-TR diagnostic criteria for ADHD will be randomly assigned to receive Bupropion tablets (200 mg/day for those who are <30 Kg and 300 mg/day for those who are >30 Kg) or methylphenidate (20 mg/day for those who are <30 Kg and 30 mg/day for those who are >30 Kg) for 6 weeks. The primary outcome measure is the Teacher and Parent ADHD Rating Scale- IV. Patients will be assessed by a psychiatrist at baseline, as well as 3 and 6 weeks after the medication started.

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT201012021556N18**
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Registration date

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

1-Tehran University of Medical Sciences 2-Kurdistan University of Medical Sciences-Sanandaj-Iran

Expected recruitment start date

2010-05-14, 1389/02/24

Expected recruitment end date

2011-11-14, 1390/08/23

Actual recruitment start date

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Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

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Public title

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Purpose

Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion Criteria: Diagnosis of ADHD based on DSM-IV, age between 6-17 Exclusion Criteria: receiving of any psychotropics drugs during past two weeks, presence of any psychiatric disorders or mental retardation (I.Q. <70) except for ODD, History of Allergy to Bupropion, presence of any medical problem including cardiovascular dieseases, presence of uncontrolled seizures, systolic blood pressure>125, resting pulse rate <60/minute or >115/minute, zinc deficiency, lead intoxication

Age

From **6 years** old to **17 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
2-3
Groups that have been masked
No information
Sample size
Target sample size: **40**
Randomization (investigator's opinion)
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

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2010-04-14, 1389/01/25
Ethics committee reference number
9745

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied
Disturbance of activity and attention
ICD-10 code
F90.0
ICD-10 code description
Disturbance of activity and attention

Primary outcomes

1

Description
Severity of ADHD
Timepoint
Week 0 (before treatment) and Weeks 3 and 6 after treatment
Method of measurement
Teacher and Parent ADHD Rating Scale

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description
Tablet Bupropion(200 to 300 mg/day) as intervention group for 6 weeks
Category
Treatment - Drugs

2

Description
Tablet Ritalin 20-30 mg/kg/day for 6 weeks as control group
Category
Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

1

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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
Tehran University of Medical Sciences
Proportion provided by this source
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
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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
empty