

## The Efficacy of Octenidine in Sinusitis compared to standard of care

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## **Main Information**

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Type of registration

Prospective

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Schülke

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Brief summary of the study: English

Rhinosinusits is one of the most common infections worldwide treated mainly with antibiotics. In the era of emerging antibiotic resistance, we should be more meticulous in prescribing antibiotics. Antiseptics are another antibiotic sparing strategy especially when used locally in wounds and other

sites of infection like the sinuses. Octenidine, the active ingredient in Octenisan nasal gel, is an antiseptic that has been tested and used on human skin and wounds for many years. It is very effective in eradicating bacterial pathogens, and above all, it is safe to use on mucosal surfaces. The purpose of this study is to assess the efficacy of this gel in treating acute bacterial rhinosinusitis or exacerbations

of chronic rhinosinusitis.

Brief summary of the study: Arabic

يعدّ التهاب الجيوب الأنفية من أكثر الالتهابات التي يتم علاجها بالمضادات الحيوية عادة. في وقت تظهر فيه مقاومة للمضادات الحيوية أكثر فأكثر، يجب علينا أن نكون حذرين جدا عند وصف المضادات الحيوية. وتعتبر المطهرات استراتيجية أخرى لنتفادى بها المضادات الحيوية، لا سيّما عند استخدامها بطريقة موضعية على الجروح ومواقع التهابات أخرّى مثلٌ الجيوب الأنفية. ويعدّ الأوكتنيدين، المكوّن الفعّال فيّ جل أوكتنيسان للأنف، مطهّراً تم اختباره واستخدامه على البشر لسنوات عديدة. إنه فعّال جداً في إزالة البكتيريا المسببة للأمراض، والأهم يمكن استخدامه على الأسطح المخاطية بكل أمان. الغرض من هذه الدراسة هو تقييم فاعلية هذا الجل في علاج التهاب الجيوب الأنفية الحاد أو حالات تفاقم التهاب الجيوب الأنفية المزمن

Health conditions/problem studied: Specify

Acute Bacterial Rhinosinusitis

ARS is defined as symptomatic inflammation of the nasal cavity and paranasal sinuses that lasts less than four weeks. The most common

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Acronym

Acronym



etiology of ARS is viral; hence the treatment focuses on symptomatic management as it typically resolves within 7-10 days. Acute Bacterial Rhinosinusitis (ABRS) occurs in about 0.5-2%. Patients with ABRS are observed or treated with antibiotics. According to the Infectious Disease Society of America we start antibiotic therapy after diagnosis for patients who do not have good follow up, in patients who have been observed and who have worsening symptoms or fail to improve within a seven-day period or patients with severe symptoms

**Exacerbations of Chronic Rhinosinusitis** 

Chronic rhinosinusitis (CRS) may be broadly defined as an inflammatory disorder of the paranasal sinuses and linings of the nasal passages that lasts 12 weeks or longer. More precisely, it is a heterogeneous group of related disorders that share certain clinical and pathologic

### Interventions: Specify

Patients will be recruited from multiple departments: ENT, Family Medicine, Infectious Diseases and Emergency Medicine.

After determining if the patient falls under the guidelines of ABRS or CRS exacerbation described in the introduction stated above, they will be randomly assigned to receive either standard of care or Octenidine.

The patients' SNOT22 score will be calculated and few questions about the patients' demographics will be answered before the treatment starts (initial assessment). (T0)

Four days after initiating the treatment, a follow up phone call will be conducted to ask few questions and calculate the new SNOT22 score. An average of the new SNOT22 score for both groups will be calculated. A difference of 10% or less will be considered as insignificant concluding that Octenidine is as effective as antibiotics with the benefit of reducing antibiotic resistance. We will also report the number of patients who dropped out or were switched to a different treatment. (T1)

Ten days after initiating treatment (last day of treatment) the same process that was carried out on day 4 will be conducted again and the results will be reported. (T2)

Two weeks after stopping treatment, the same process will be carried out. (T3)

Octenidine will be given twice per day for 10 days. It is applied in each nostril posteriorly, followed by a gentle squeeze on the anterior nares to push the gel into the nasal cavity. After few minutes, due to body temperature, the gel may liquify and run through the nostrils. In that case, the patient is advised to wipe gently using a tissue without blowing their nose and flushing the gel out.

### Key inclusion and exclusion criteria: Inclusion criteria

| □CRS: Patients (male or female) at the age of 18 or above who fit the criteria for exacerbation in CRS :                          |  |
|---|--|
| □Twelve weeks or longer of two or more of the following signs and symptoms: omucopurulent drainage (anterior, posterior, or both) |  |

onasal obstruction (congestion)

ofacial pain-pressure-fullness

odecreased sense of smell.

□AND inflammation is documented by one or more of the following findings:

opurulent (not clear) mucus or edema in the middle meatus or anterior ethmoid region.

oradiographic imaging showing inflammation of the paranasal sinuses.

□ABRS: Patients at the age of 18 or above who fit the criteria for ABRS

Key inclusion and exclusion criteria: Gender

Key inclusion and exclusion criteria: Specify gender

**Both** 

Key inclusion and exclusion criteria: Age minimum

Key inclusion and exclusion criteria: Age maximum

## Key inclusion and exclusion criteria: Exclusion criteria

- □ Exclusion criteria for both ABRS and CRS:
- oPatients who are below the age of 18.
- oPatients who are pregnant.
- oPatients who have received antibiotics.
- oPatients who are immunocompromised.
- oPatients who have high grade fever defined as 38.5C and above
- oPatients with known allergy to octenidine.
- oPatients with contraindications to octenidine.
- oPatients who scored severe on the SNOT22 score
- oPatients who are receiving systemic glucocorticoid therapy.

## Type of study

Interventional

## Type of intervention

Pharmaceutical

Trial scope

Therapy

Type of intervention: Specify type

N/A

100

Trial scope: Specify scope

N/A



Study design: Masking

Open (masking not used)

Study design: Specify purpose

Study design: Specify assignment

IMP has market authorization: Specify

Month of authorization

Study phase

Worldwide

Year of authorization

Study design: Allocation Randomized controlled trial

Study design: Control

Active

Study design: Purpose

Treatment

Study design: Assignment

Single

IMP has market authorization

Yes, Lebanon and Worldwide

Name of IMP

Octenidine

Type of IMP

Others

Pharmaceutical class

Antiseptic and Disinfectant

Therapeutic indication

Octenidine is an established antiseptic to be used on the skin, mucous membranes and wounds prophylactically as well as therapeutically in a growing field of applications and could replace classical antiseptics like chlorhexidine. It is easy and safe to handle, chemically stable, not inflammable, without resistance development and low toxicity to man and the environment alike.

Octenisan Nasal Gel is used for moistening and decontamination of nasal vestibules by physical cleansing and supportive wound treatment of lesions of the nasal epithelium.

Therapeutic benefit

Possible treatment of bacterial rhinosinusitis without the use of antibiotics, in the era of antimicrobial resistance and multidrug resistant organisms

Study model Study model: Explain model

N/A

Study model: Specify model

N/A

Time perspective Time perspective: Explain time perspective

N/A

Time perspective: Specify perspective

Target follow-up duration Target follow-up duration: Unit

Number of groups/cohorts

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Biospecimen retention

None retained

Biospecimen description

None retained

Target sample size

40

Date of first enrollment: Type

Anticipated

Date of study closure: Type

Anticipated

Recruitment status

Pending

Date of completion

IPD sharing statement plan

No

Actual enrollment target size

Date of first enrollment: Date

02/03/2020

Date of study closure: Date

01/03/2021

**Recruitment status: Specify** 

IPD sharing statement description

NA

Additional data URL

**Admin comments** 

**Trial status** 

Approved

| Secondary Identifying Numbers |                                |                              |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                               | Full name of issuing authority | Secondary identifying number |
|                               | LAU IRB                        | LAUMCRH.RH2.4/Dec/2019       |

## **Sources of Monetary or Material Support**

Name

Schulke company will provide the Octenisan Nasal Gel free of charge for the use in the study. There is no other additional monetary support.



## **Secondary Sponsors**

No Sponsors

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|---|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|
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| Ethics Review  |               |                    |                               |                            |
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## **Countries of Recruitment** Name Lebanon

| Health Conditions or Problems Studied |                         |         |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Condition                             | Code                    | Keyword |
| Acute Bacterial Rhinoosinusitis       | Acute sinusitis (J01)   | ABRS    |
| Chronic Rhinosinusitis                | Chronic sinusitis (J32) | CRS     |



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| Interventions            |   |         |
|--------------------------|---|---------|
| Intervention Description |   | Keyword |
| Octenidine               | Intranasal application of Octenidine twice daily for ten days                       | Group 1 |
| Standard of Care         | The use of oral antibiotics for treatment of bacterial sinusitis (standard of care) | Group 2 |

| Primary Outcomes            |             |                        |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Name                        | Time Points | Measure                |
| Treatment of Rhinosinusitis | 10 days     | change in SNOT22 score |

| Key Secondary Outcomes   |             |  |
|--|-------------|--|
| Name   | Time Points | Measure  |
| Decreasing the use of antibiotics, and hence decreasing the antimicrobial resistance on the long run | years       | Antibiotic susceptibility profile of pathogens |



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| Trial Results                        |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Summary results                      |  |
| Study results globally               |  |
| Date of posting of results summaries | Date of first journal publication of results |
| Results URL link                     |  |
| Baseline characteristics             |  |
| Participant flow                     |  |
| Adverse events                       |  |
| Outcome measures                     |  |
| URL to protocol files                |  |
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