

SUMMARY

THE EFFECTS OF DIPHENHYDRAMINE ON SEDATION AND POSTOPERATIVE ANALGESIA AT PATIENTS TO WHOM REGIONAL ANAESTHESIA HAVE DONE

Aim: At this study, we aim to study the effects of diphenhydramine on sedation, hemodynamic and analgesia at intraoperative and postoperative periods at the patients to whom regional anaesthesia have done

Materials and Methods: Our study is done at Adnan menderes University Medical School Operation rooms between the dates of June 6th-November 20th 2008. 150 patients who are between the ages of 16-70, accepted to join the study, planning to be done regional anaesthesia for elective surgery and ASA clinical classification is I-III are enrolled in this study.

Preoperatively and intraoperatively; routine monitoring is done. Bromage scale, the level of sensory block and 5 point sedation scale are noted at 5, 10, 30, 60, 360th minutes. The pain levels are evaluated by VAS intraoperatively and postoperatively.

The groups are divided into 3 randomized. After placing an intravenous catheter and administered 20mg diphenhydramine + 2ml 0.9% NaCl solution (n=50) to G_{DH20} and 40mg diphenhydramine to G_{DH40} (n=50) and 4ml 0.9% NaCl solution (n=50) to G_K. After administering the drugs have done spinal anaesthesia.

The time that sensory block attained to T10 level, maximum sensory block level, the time that sensory block retreats to L1 level and the ending times of motor and sensory blocks are recorded.

The patients are controlled at the postoperative room and in their rooms at services for 6 hours. At this time the patients are evaluated for additional analgesic supply; adverse effects and VAS and then recorded again. To patients whose postoperative VAS level is 4 and above 4 diclofenac (Diclophenac Potassium) as an analgesic agent is administered intramuscularly.

Findings: There wasn't a difference between groups for demographic data, operation times and sex. When the patients are evaluated for postoperative analgesic needs there was a statistically meaningful difference between groups ($p < 0,001$). This difference was most seen between 40mg diphenhydramine and control groups and was less between 20mg diphenhydramine and control groups ($p = 0,039$). There was a meaningful difference for sedation values at the 5, 10, 30, 45, 60th minutes of spinal anaesthesia between 40mg diphenhydramine and control group ($p < 0,05$).

Results: We thought that inthe patients who are operated with spinal anaesthesia 40mg diphenhydramine as an antihistaminic makes more sedation, decreases postoperative analgesic need and has no adverse effects.

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