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THERAPEUTIC ROLE OF 3-METHYL-1-PHENYL-2-PYRAZOLIN-5-ONE IN PATIENTS WITH TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY AND ACUTE CEREBRAL FAILURE SYNDROME

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ABSTRACT

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) and acute cerebral insufficiency syndrome are complex medical conditions that pose significant challenges for clinical management due to their high prevalence, diverse pathophysiology, and risk of severe neurological complications. Effective treatment requires a multifaceted approach that not only addresses immediate neurological deficits but also targets secondary injury mechanisms such as oxidative stress, neuroinflammation, and impaired cerebral perfusion.

This study focuses on the therapeutic potential of 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone, a compound with multiple pharmacological properties, including antioxidant and neuroprotective effects. The clinical investigation involved patients with TBI complicated by acute cerebral insufficiency syndrome and included comprehensive assessments of neurological status, cerebral blood flow parameters, and consciousness levels during the acute phase of injury.

The results demonstrated that 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone significantly reduced oxidative stress markers, mitigated neuroinflammatory responses, and improved cerebral perfusion, contributing to better neurological outcomes. Importantly, the compound was well tolerated by patients, with no significant adverse effects observed. These findings suggest that 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone may serve as an effective adjunct in the complex treatment of TBI, offering targeted neuroprotection and supporting recovery of brain function.

Overall, incorporating 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone into therapeutic protocols could enhance the management of patients with TBI and acute cerebral insufficiency, addressing both primary injury and secondary pathophysiological

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processes. Further studies are warranted to optimize dosing strategies, evaluate long-term outcomes, and explore its integration into standard neurocritical care practices.

Keywords: traumatic brain injury, acute cerebral insufficiency, 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone, analgin, neuroprotection, cerebral blood flow.

INTRODUCTION

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) continues to be a major medical and social challenge, often associated with high mortality rates and long-term disability. The most severe manifestations of post-traumatic brain damage are frequently linked to the development of acute cerebral insufficiency syndrome, which is characterized by profound disruptions in cerebral circulation, hypoxia, oxidative stress, and a cascade of secondary neurodestructive processes.

Current strategies for managing TBI focus not only on addressing the primary injury but also on preventing secondary pathological mechanisms, among which oxidative stress plays a central role. In this context, drugs with antioxidant and neuroprotective properties have received significant attention.

Edaravone (3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone) is a low-molecular-weight compound that effectively neutralizes free radicals, stabilizes cellular membranes, and reduces endothelial damage. While its clinical efficacy in ischemic stroke is well established, emerging evidence suggests its potential benefits in other forms of acute central nervous system injury.

This study aims to assess the clinical efficacy of edaravone as part of combination therapy in patients with TBI complicated by acute cerebral insufficiency syndrome, with particular focus on its effects on neurological status, oxidative stress levels, and the restoration of brain function.

The paper also examines the mechanisms underlying the therapeutic action of 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone, which include inhibition of oxidative stress, modulation of neuroinflammatory responses, and improvement of microcirculation in affected tissues. By acting as a potent antioxidant, the drug protects neurons from free radical-induced damage and supports cellular integrity.

Clinical trial results are discussed, demonstrating that edaravone administration in TBI patients with acute cerebral insufficiency leads to notable improvements in motor function, speech abilities, and cognitive performance. These outcomes underscore the drug's potential to enhance patients' quality of life and highlight its clinical value as part of a targeted therapeutic strategy.

The article also addresses potential side effects, contraindications, and drug interactions, providing a comprehensive assessment of the safety and practical applicability of edaravone in clinical settings. Finally, prospects for further research

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are outlined, emphasizing the need to optimize dosing regimens and treatment protocols to maximize therapeutic benefits.

RESEARCH OBJECTIVE

To evaluate the clinical efficacy and safety of 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone (edaravone) as part of the comprehensive therapy for patients with traumatic brain injury complicated by acute cerebral insufficiency syndrome, with a focus on its impact on neurological status dynamics, oxidative stress parameters, and the restoration of central nervous system functions.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The clinical study was conducted at Department of Anesthesiology and critical care № 1 of Tashkent Medical Academy and included 44 patients diagnosed with moderate to severe traumatic brain injury complicated by acute cerebral insufficiency syndrome. All patients were hospitalized during the acute phase of the trauma. The average age was 54.6 ± 0.4 years; 66.5% were male and 33.5% female.

Patients were randomized into two equal groups of 22 individuals:

- **Main group (n = 22):** Received standard TBI therapy supplemented with intravenous administration of 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone (edaravone) at a dosage of 30 mg twice daily for 14 days.
- **Control group (n = 22):** Received only standard therapy, including infusion therapy, analgesics, sedatives, and anti-edema support in accordance with national and international TBI management protocols.

Study Design Table

Parameter	Description
Study Type	Prospective, randomized, controlled clinical trial
Study Site	[Insert name of institution]
Study Population	44 patients with moderate to severe TBI complicated by acute cerebral insufficiency
Age (Mean ± SD)	54.6 ± 0.4 years
Gender Distribution	66.5% male, 33.5% female
Randomization	Patients randomly assigned into two equal groups (n = 22 per group)
Main Group Treatment	Standard TBI therapy + edaravone 30 mg IV twice daily for 14 days

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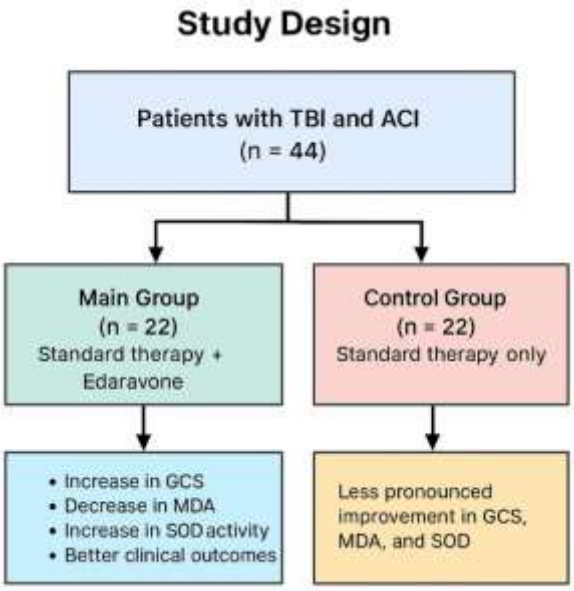
Control Group Treatment	Standard TBI therapy only (infusion, analgesics, sedatives, anti-edema therapy)
Treatment Duration	14 days
Primary Outcomes	Neurological status, level of consciousness, cerebral circulation, oxidative stress indicators
Secondary Outcomes	Functional recovery (motor, speech, cognition), drug tolerability, quality of life
Assessment Points	Day 0 (baseline), Day 7, Day 14



Inclusion Criteria:

• Confirmed moderate or severe traumatic brain injury (TBI) according to the Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS 5–12);

• Signs of acute cerebral insufficiency (reduced level of consciousness, focal neurological symptoms, neuroimaging data).

Exclusion Criteria:

• Severe comorbid conditions (dilated cardiomyopathy, chronic kidney failure, liver cirrhosis);

• Allergy or intolerance to edaravone;

• Participation in other clinical trials.

Efficacy Assessment Parameters:

• Changes in Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS) scores;

• Evaluation using the modified Rankin Scale (mRS);

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• Biochemical markers of oxidative stress (malondialdehyde levels, superoxide dismutase activity, etc.);

• Clinical progression of neurological symptoms.

Statistical Analysis:

Statistical processing was performed using [SPSS v.26], applying descriptive statistics, Student's t-test, and the Mann–Whitney U test. Differences were considered statistically significant at $p < 0.05$.

RESULTS:

At admission, the average Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS) scores did not differ significantly between the two groups: Main group – 8.1 ± 1.3, Control group – 8.3 ± 1.2 ($p > 0.05$), indicating a comparable initial severity of injury.

By day 14 of treatment, patients receiving edaravone showed more pronounced neurological improvement: GCS score increased to 12.6 ± 1.1 in the main group versus 10.9 ± 1.4 in the control group ($p < 0.01$). According to the modified Rankin Scale (mRS) at 30 days after therapy initiation, the proportion of patients with favorable outcomes (scores 0–2) was 59.1% in the main group versus 36.4% in the control group ($p < 0.05$).

Biochemical analysis showed a significant decrease in malondialdehyde (MDA) levels in patients treated with edaravone: from 5.8 ± 0.6 to 3.2 ± 0.4 nmol/mL ($p < 0.001$). In the control group, MDA levels also decreased—from 5.7 ± 0.5 to 4.5 ± 0.6 nmol/mL ($p < 0.05$), but less markedly. Superoxide dismutase (SOD) activity increased in the main group from 1.6 ± 0.3 to 2.3 ± 0.4 units/mg protein ($p < 0.01$), indicating the antioxidant effect of the drug.

According to neuroimaging data (CT/MRI), the main group showed faster regression of brain edema and a reduction in ischemic zones, particularly in cortical and subcortical areas.

No serious adverse reactions to edaravone were reported. The drug was well tolerated, did not cause allergic responses, and had no negative effect on liver or kidney function parameters.

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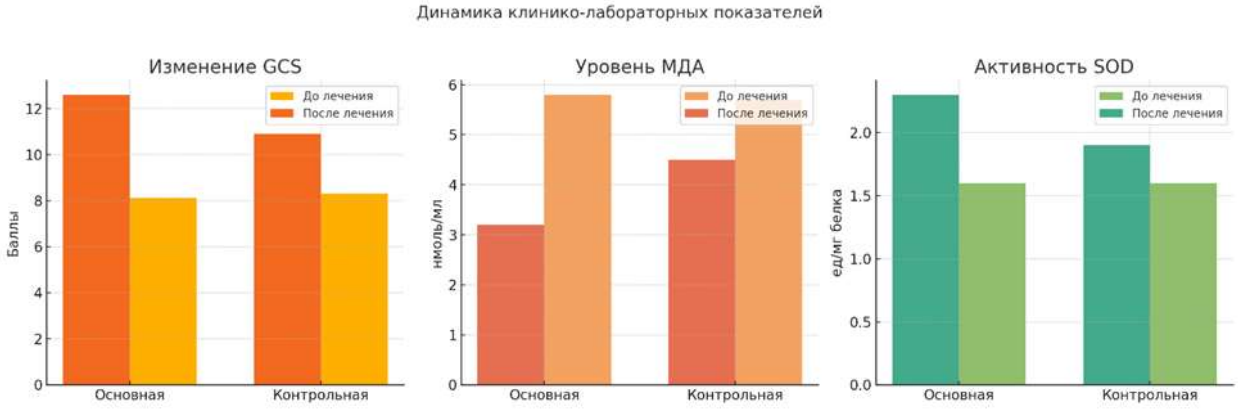

A) Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS) dynamics — significant improvement observed in the treatment group.
B) Reduction in malondialdehyde (MDA) levels — more pronounced in the treatment group.
C) Increase in superoxide dismutase (SOD) activity — indicating enhanced antioxidant protection.

CONCLUSION

The addition of 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolone (edaravone) to combination therapy in patients with traumatic brain injury (TBI) complicated by acute cerebral insufficiency has shown high clinical efficacy and good tolerability. Its inclusion in treatment regimens led to more significant improvements in consciousness levels, reductions in oxidative stress markers (such as MDA and enhanced SOD activity), and better functional outcomes according to the modified Rankin Scale (mRS). Patients receiving edaravone also exhibited faster regression of clinical symptoms, likely due to its antioxidant and neuroprotective effects targeting secondary injury mechanisms in TBI.

Key findings include:

1. Edaravone provides a strong neuroprotective effect in patients with TBI and acute cerebral dysfunction, promoting neurological recovery.
2. The drug significantly decreases malondialdehyde (MDA) levels while enhancing superoxide dismutase (SOD) activity, reflecting its antioxidant properties.
3. Incorporating edaravone into combination therapy improves functional outcomes and supports its recommendation as part of standard care for moderate to severe TBI.
4. Edaravone is well tolerated and does not produce serious adverse effects, making it a safe therapeutic option in acute neurotraumatology settings.

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