



Clinical trial results: Treatment of functional EPIFORA with Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) versus lateral tarsal strlp (LTS) surgery.

Summary

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| EudraCT number | 2016-000740-34 |
| Trial protocol | ES |
| Global end of trial date | 05 February 2019 |

Results information

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| Result version number | v1 (current) |
| This version publication date | 30 June 2022 |
| First version publication date | 30 June 2022 |

Trial information

Trial identification

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| Sponsor protocol code | EPITBA12 |
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Additional study identifiers

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| ISRCTN number | - |
| ClinicalTrials.gov id (NCT number) | - |
| WHO universal trial number (UTN) | - |

Notes:

Sponsors

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Notes:

Paediatric regulatory details

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| Is trial part of an agreed paediatric investigation plan (PIP) | No |
| Does article 45 of REGULATION (EC) No 1901/2006 apply to this trial? | No |
| Does article 46 of REGULATION (EC) No 1901/2006 apply to this trial? | No |

Notes:

Results analysis stage

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| Analysis stage | Final |
| Date of interim/final analysis | 25 February 2019 |
| Is this the analysis of the primary completion data? | Yes |
| Primary completion date | 05 February 2019 |
| Global end of trial reached? | Yes |
| Global end of trial date | 05 February 2019 |
| Was the trial ended prematurely? | No |

Notes:

General information about the trial

Main objective of the trial:

Compare through the Munk Scale the efficacy of Botulinum Toxin A (IncobotulinumtoxinA) versus lateral tarsal strip, which is the usual surgery technique to treat the functional epifora, after 6 weeks of treatment.

Protection of trial subjects:

The study was conducted in accordance with the tenets of Declaration of the Helsinki and following the legal regulation on clinical trials in Spain. Ethics approval was obtained from the Fuenlabrada University Hospital (Madrid) Institutional Review Board and the study was registered with the clinical trial registration number EudraCT 2016-000740-34.

Background therapy: -

Evidence for comparator: -

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| Actual start date of recruitment | 01 May 2017 |
| Long term follow-up planned | No |
| Independent data monitoring committee (IDMC) involvement? | No |

Notes:

Population of trial subjects

Subjects enrolled per country

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| Country: Number of subjects enrolled | Spain: 30 |
| Worldwide total number of subjects | 30 |
| EEA total number of subjects | 30 |

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Subjects enrolled per age group

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| In utero | 0 |
| Preterm newborn - gestational age < 37 wk | 0 |
| Newborns (0-27 days) | 0 |
| Infants and toddlers (28 days-23 months) | 0 |
| Children (2-11 years) | 0 |
| Adolescents (12-17 years) | 0 |
| Adults (18-64 years) | 15 |
| From 65 to 84 years | 15 |
| 85 years and over | 0 |

Subject disposition

Recruitment

Recruitment details:

30 patients were recruited between November 2017 and July 2018. 15 were randomized to Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) and 15 to lateral tarsal strip (LTS). After randomization, 5 patients withdrew their consent. Therefore, 12 patients were treated with BoNTA and 13 with a LTS. One BoNTA-treated patient dropped out of the study due to a lost to follow-up.

Pre-assignment

Screening details:

Inclusion criteria

- Patients older than 18 years.
- Epiphora with patent tear duct with a minimum value of grade 3 on the Munk scale.

Period 1

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| Period 1 title | Overall trial (overall period) |
| Is this the baseline period? | Yes |
| Allocation method | Randomised - controlled |
| Blinding used | Not blinded |

Arms

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| Are arms mutually exclusive? | Yes |
| Arm title | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) |

Arm description:

Patients assigned to the BoNTA treatment group received a transconjunctival injection of BoNTA (XEOMIN®, Merz) into the palpebral lobe of the lacrimal gland of the affected eye. BoNTA was reconstituted with sterile saline at a concentration of 50 U in 0.5 ml. The injections were always performed by the same doctor. BoNTA treatment was not repeated in any patient during the study.

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| Arm type | Experimental |
| Investigational medicinal product name | Botulinum toxin A injection (XEOMIN®, Merz) |
| Investigational medicinal product code | |
| Other name | |
| Pharmaceutical forms | Injection |
| Routes of administration | Conjunctival use |

Dosage and administration details:

Injection of botulinum toxin A (XEOMIN®, Merz) in the palpebral lobe of the lacrimal gland of the affected eye. BoNTA was reconstituted with sterile saline at a concentration of 50 U in 0.5 ml. The injections were always performed by the same doctor after administering topical anesthesia to the patient. To deliver BoNTA treatment, the lateral upper eyelid will be manually everted while the patient looks down and away from the lacrimal gland. This maneuver will expose the palpebral lobe of the lacrimal gland where the BoNTA treatment will be injected. This treatment was not repeated in any patient during the study.

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| Arm title | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
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Arm description:

Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) surgery. It will always be performed by the same surgeon. Steps to follow:

- Lateral canthotomy with Westcott scissors. Dissection of the orbicularis over the lateral orbital rim to visualize the periosteum.
- Cantholysis: cutting of the lower branch of the lateral canthal tendon, separating it from the orbital rim.
- Formation of the strip.
- Shortening of the strip.
- Reinsertion of the strip to the inner face of the lateral orbital rim.

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| Arm type | Surgery |
| No investigational medicinal product assigned in this arm | |

| Number of subjects in period 1 ^[1] | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
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| Started | 12 | 13 |
| Completed | 11 | 13 |
| Not completed | 1 | 0 |
| Lost to follow-up | 1 | - |

Notes:

[1] - The number of subjects reported to be in the baseline period are not the same as the worldwide number enrolled in the trial. It is expected that these numbers will be the same.

Justification: After randomization, 5 patients withdrew their consent.

Baseline characteristics

Reporting groups

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| Reporting group title | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) |
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Reporting group description:

Patients assigned to the BoNTA treatment group received a transconjunctival injection of BoNTA (XEOMIN®, Merz) into the palpebral lobe of the lacrimal gland of the affected eye. BoNTA was reconstituted with sterile saline at a concentration of 50 U in 0.5 ml. The injections were always performed by the same doctor. BoNTA treatment was not repeated in any patient during the study.

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| Reporting group title | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
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Reporting group description:

Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) surgery. It will always be performed by the same surgeon. Steps to follow:

- Lateral canthotomy with Westcott scissors. Dissection of the orbicularis over the lateral orbital rim to visualize the periosteum.
- Cantholysis: cutting of the lower branch of the lateral canthal tendon, separating it from the orbital rim.
- Formation of the strip.
- Shortening of the strip.
- Reinsertion of the strip to the inner face of the lateral orbital rim.

| Reporting group values | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | Total |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------|
| Number of subjects | 12 | 13 | 25 |
| Age categorical Units: Subjects | | | |
| Adults (18-64 years) | 7 | 6 | 13 |
| From 65-84 years | 5 | 7 | 12 |
| Age continuous Units: years | | | |
| arithmetic mean | 61.50 | 62.23 | |
| standard deviation | ± 9.68 | ± 13.02 | - |
| Gender categorical Units: Subjects | | | |
| Female | 12 | 10 | 22 |
| Male | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| Functional epiphora eye Units: Subjects | | | |
| Right | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Left | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| Both | 9 | 7 | 16 |
| Munk scale | | | |
| Subjective evaluation of epiphora was graded using the Munk scale according to the number of times a day the patient reported dabbing away tears: 0 = no epiphora; 1 = occasional epiphora requiring dabbing less than twice a day; 2 = epiphora requiring dabbing 2-4 times a day; 3 = epiphora requiring dabbing 5-10 times a day; 4 = epiphora requiring dabbing more than 10 times a day. | | | |
| Units: point | | | |
| arithmetic mean | 3.90 | 3.90 | |
| standard deviation | ± 0.30 | ± 0.31 | - |
| Schirmer test | | | |
| Test that has the purpose of measuring the amount of tears in the eye by humidifying some strips of filter paper placed in the conjunctival fornix. | | | |
| Units: mm | | | |
| arithmetic mean | 15.24 | 12.40 | |

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| standard deviation | ± 6.83 | ± 7.01 | - |
| Visual acuity | | | |
| Test to measure the best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) on a decimal scale (0-1). | | | |
| Units: scale | | | |
| arithmetic mean | 0.77 | 0.88 | |
| standard deviation | ± 0.22 | ± 0.14 | - |
| Eyelid traction | | | |
| Millimeters of separation between the lower eyelid and the eyeball in the horizontal traction of the lower eyelid. | | | |
| Units: milimeter | | | |
| arithmetic mean | 7.10 | 7.60 | |
| standard deviation | ± 1.34 | ± 0.99 | - |
| Eyelid spring | | | |
| Number of blinks for the lower eyelid to return to its normal position after downward traction of the lower eyelid. | | | |
| Units: Frequency | | | |
| arithmetic mean | 0.48 | 0.70 | |
| standard deviation | ± 0.60 | ± 0.57 | - |
| Subjective evaluation of epiphora with the quality questionnaire | | | |
| Subjective evaluation of epiphora with the quality questionnaire. This is a quality questionnaire that evaluates how often you have discomfort due to your tearing in various activities of daily living using a scale of 0 to 4: Grade 0: It never bothers you. Grade 1: Sometimes. Grade 2: Frequently. Grade 3: Almost always. Grade 4: Always. | | | |
| Units: point | | | |
| arithmetic mean | 2.71 | 2.90 | |
| standard deviation | ± 0.72 | ± 0.92 | - |

End points

End points reporting groups

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| Reporting group title | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) |
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Reporting group description:

Patients assigned to the BoNTA treatment group received a transconjunctival injection of BoNTA (XEOMIN®, Merz) into the palpebral lobe of the lacrimal gland of the affected eye. BoNTA was reconstituted with sterile saline at a concentration of 50 U in 0.5 ml. The injections were always performed by the same doctor. BoNTA treatment was not repeated in any patient during the study.

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| Reporting group title | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
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Reporting group description:

Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) surgery. It will always be performed by the same surgeon. Steps to follow:

- Lateral canthotomy with Westcott scissors. Dissection of the orbicularis over the lateral orbital rim to visualize the periosteum.
- Cantholysis: cutting of the lower branch of the lateral canthal tendon, separating it from the orbital rim.
- Formation of the strip.
- Shortening of the strip.
- Reinsertion of the strip to the inner face of the lateral orbital rim.

Primary: Munk scale at 6 weeks of treatment

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| End point title | Munk scale at 6 weeks of treatment |
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End point description:

Munk scale is a score according to the number of times a day the patient reported dabbing away tears: 0 = no epiphora; 1 = occasional epiphora requiring dabbing less than twice a day; 2 = epiphora requiring dabbing 2-4 times a day; 3 = epiphora requiring dabbing 5-10 times a day; 4 = epiphora requiring dabbing more than 10 times a day.

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| End point type | Primary |
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End point timeframe:

January 2018- January 2019

| End point values | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | | |
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| Subject group type | Reporting group | Reporting group | | |
| Number of subjects analysed | 11 | 10 | | |
| Units: point | | | | |
| arithmetic mean (confidence interval 95%) | 1.43 (0.90 to 2.00) | 2.35 (1.70 to 3.00) | | |

Statistical analyses

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in the Munk scale (BoNTA) |
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Statistical analysis description:

Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the Munk scale from baseline in the BoNTA treatment group using a paired samples t-student test.

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| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
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| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | < 0.0001 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -2.48 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -3 |
| upper limit | -1.9 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in the Munk scale (LTS) |
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Statistical analysis description:

Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the Munk scale from baseline in the LTS treatment group using a paired samples t-student test.

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| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | < 0.0001 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -1.55 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -2.2 |
| upper limit | -0.9 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in the Munk scale |
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Statistical analysis description:

Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the Munk scale from baseline using a paired samples t-student test.

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| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.015 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |

Secondary: Test schirmer at 6 week of treatment

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| End point title | Test schirmer at 6 week of treatment |
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End point description:

Schirmer strip was placed on the lower conjunctival sac between the lateral area and the external third of the sac for 5 min to measure the production of tears in millimeters from 0 to 15 mm.

End point type Secondary

End point timeframe:

January 2018-January 2019

| End point values | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | | |
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| Subject group type | Reporting group | Reporting group | | |
| Number of subjects analysed | 11 | 10 | | |
| Units: milimeter | | | | |
| arithmetic mean (confidence interval 95%) | 13.80 (9.70 to 17.90) | 11.75 (8.80 to 14.70) | | |

Statistical analyses

Statistical analysis title Change at 6 weeks in the Schirmer test (BoNTA)

Statistical analysis description:

Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the Schirmer test from baseline in the BoNTA treatment group using an paired samples t-student test.

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| Comparison groups | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) v Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.366 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -1.43 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -4.7 |
| upper limit | 1.8 |

Statistical analysis title Change at 6 weeks in the Schirmer test (LTS)

Statistical analysis description:

Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the Munk scale from baseline in the BoNTA treatment group using a paired samples t-student test.

Comparison groups Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS)

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| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.742 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -0.65 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -4.7 |
| upper limit | 3.4 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in the Schirmer test |
| Statistical analysis description: Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the Munk scale from baseline using a paired samples t-student test. | |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.766 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |

Secondary: Visual acuity at 6 week of treatment

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| End point title | Visual acuity at 6 week of treatment |
| End point description: Test to measure the best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) on a decimal scale (0-1). | |
| End point type | Secondary |
| End point timeframe: January 2018-January 2019 | |

| End point values | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | | |
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| Subject group type | Reporting group | Reporting group | | |
| Number of subjects analysed | 11 | 10 | | |
| Units: scale | | | | |
| arithmetic mean (confidence interval 95%) | 0.70 (0.60 to 0.80) | 0.86 (0.80 to 0.90) | | |

Statistical analyses

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in visual acuity (BoNTA) |
| Statistical analysis description: | |
| Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the visual acuity from baseline in the BoNTA treatment group using a paired samples t-student test. | |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.135 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -0.06 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -0.2 |
| upper limit | 0 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in the visual acuity (LTS) |
| Statistical analysis description: | |
| Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the visual acuity from baseline in the LTS treatment group using a paired samples t-student test. | |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.125 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -0.04 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -0.1 |
| upper limit | 0 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in the visual acuity |
| Statistical analysis description: | |
| Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the Munk scale from baseline using a paired samples t-student test. | |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.682 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |

Secondary: Eyelid traction at 6 week of treatment

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| End point title | Eyelid traction at 6 week of treatment |
| End point description: | Millimeters of separation between the lower eyelid and the eyeball in the horizontal traction of the lower eyelid. |
| End point type | Secondary |
| End point timeframe: | January 2018-January 2019 |

| End point values | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | | |
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| Subject group type | Reporting group | Reporting group | | |
| Number of subjects analysed | 11 | 10 | | |
| Units: milimeter | | | | |
| arithmetic mean (confidence interval 95%) | 6.67 (6.20 to 7.10) | 5.60 (5.00 to 6.20) | | |

Statistical analyses

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in eyelid traction (BoNTA) |
| Statistical analysis description: | Change at 6 weeks of treatment in eyelid traction from baseline in the BoNTA treatment group using a paired samples t-student test. |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.107 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -0.43 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -1 |
| upper limit | 0.1 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in eyelid traction (LTS) |
| Statistical analysis description: | Change at 6 weeks of treatment in eyelid traction from baseline in the LTS treatment group using a paired samples t-student test. |

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| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | < 0.001 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -2 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -2.6 |
| upper limit | -1.4 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in eyelid traction |
| Statistical analysis description: Change at 6 weeks of treatment in the Munk scale from baseline using a paired samples t-student test. | |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.0006 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |

Secondary: Eyelid spring at 6 week of treatment

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| End point title | Eyelid spring at 6 week of treatment |
| End point description: Number of blinks for the lower eyelid to return to its normal position after downward traction of the lower eyelid. | |
| End point type | Secondary |
| End point timeframe: January 2018-January 2019 | |

| End point values | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | | |
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| Subject group type | Reporting group | Reporting group | | |
| Number of subjects analysed | 11 | 10 | | |
| Units: Frequency | | | | |
| arithmetic mean (confidence interval 95%) | 0.38 (0.10 to 0.60) | 0.05 (-0.10 to 0.20) | | |

Statistical analyses

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in eyelid spring (BoNTA) |
| Statistical analysis description: Change at 6 weeks of treatment in eyelid spring from baseline in the BoNTA treatment group using a paired samples t-student test. | |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.625 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -0.1 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -0.3 |
| upper limit | 0.1 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in eyelid spring (LTS) |
| Statistical analysis description: Change at 6 weeks of treatment in eyelid spring from baseline in the LTS treatment group using a paired samples t-student test. | |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.0005 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -0.65 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -0.9 |
| upper limit | -0.4 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in eyelid spring |
| Statistical analysis description: Change at 6 weeks of treatment in eyelid spring from baseline using a paired samples t-student test. | |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |

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| Number of subjects included in analysis | 21 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.0026 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |

Secondary: Subjective evaluation of epiphora with the quality questionnaire at 6 weeks to treatment

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| End point title | Subjective evaluation of epiphora with the quality questionnaire at 6 weeks to treatment |
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End point description:

Subjective evaluation of epiphora with the quality questionnaire. This is a quality questionnaire that evaluates how often you have discomfort due to your tearing in various activities of daily living using a scale of 0 to 4:

Grade 0: It never bothers you.

Grade 1: Sometimes.

Grade 2: Frequently.

Grade 3: Almost always.

Grade 4: Always.

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| End point type | Secondary |
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End point timeframe:

January 2018-January 2019

| End point values | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | | |
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| Subject group type | Reporting group | Reporting group | | |
| Number of subjects analysed | 6 | 7 | | |
| Units: points | | | | |
| arithmetic mean (confidence interval 95%) | 1.35 (0.60 to 2.10) | 1.34 (0.70 to 2.00) | | |

Statistical analyses

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in quality questionnaire (BoNTA) |
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Statistical analysis description:

Change at 6 weeks of treatment in quality questionnaire from baseline in the BoNTA treatment group using a paired samples t-student test.

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| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 13 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.007 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |

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| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in quality questionnaire (LTS) |
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Statistical analysis description:

Change at 6 weeks of treatment in quality questionnaire from baseline in the LTS treatment group using a paired samples t-student test.

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| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 13 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.0003 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |
| Parameter estimate | Mean difference (final values) |
| Point estimate | -1.56 |
| Confidence interval | |
| level | 95 % |
| sides | 2-sided |
| lower limit | -2.2 |
| upper limit | -0.9 |

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| Statistical analysis title | Change at 6 weeks in quality questionnaire |
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Statistical analysis description:

Change at 6 weeks of treatment in quality questionnaire from baseline using a paired samples t-student test.

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| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 13 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.918 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |

Secondary: Treatment duration

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| End point title | Treatment duration |
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End point description:

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| End point type | Secondary |
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End point timeframe:

January 2018-January 2019

| End point values | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| Subject group type | Reporting group | Reporting group | | |
| Number of subjects analysed | 12 | 13 | | |
| Units: week | | | | |
| arithmetic mean (standard deviation) | 26.14 (\pm 9.48) | 23.61 (\pm 11.79) | | |

Statistical analyses

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| Statistical analysis title | Differences between the duration of the treatments |
| Comparison groups | Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA) v Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
| Number of subjects included in analysis | 25 |
| Analysis specification | Pre-specified |
| Analysis type | superiority |
| P-value | = 0.937 |
| Method | t-test, 2-sided |

Adverse events

Adverse events information

Timeframe for reporting adverse events:

January 2018-January 2019

Adverse event reporting additional description:

There were 9 adverse events in 9 patients (36.0%), of which 5 occurred in 5 patients treated with BoNTA (41.7%) and 4 in 4 patients treated with LST (30.8%). In patients treated with BoNTA, 3 palpebral ptosis, 1 metamorphopsia and 1 conjunctivitis occurred. In those treated with LST, 3 scar discomfort and 1 wound infection occurred.

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| Assessment type | Systematic |
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Dictionary used

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| Dictionary name | MedDRA |
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| Dictionary version | 22.0 |
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Reporting groups

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| Reporting group title | BoNTA |
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Reporting group description:

In patients treated with Botulinum Toxin A (BoNTA), 3 palpebral ptosis, 1 metamorphopsia and 1 conjunctivitis occurred

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| Reporting group title | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) |
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Reporting group description:

In those treated with lateral tarsal strip (LTS), 3 scar discomfort and 1 wound infection occurred.

| Serious adverse events | BoNTA | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | |
|---|----------------|----------------------------|--|
| Total subjects affected by serious adverse events | | | |
| subjects affected / exposed | 0 / 12 (0.00%) | 0 / 13 (0.00%) | |
| number of deaths (all causes) | 0 | 0 | |
| number of deaths resulting from adverse events | 0 | 0 | |

Frequency threshold for reporting non-serious adverse events: 0 %

| Non-serious adverse events | BoNTA | Lateral tarsal strip (LTS) | |
|---|-----------------|----------------------------|--|
| Total subjects affected by non-serious adverse events | | | |
| subjects affected / exposed | 5 / 12 (41.67%) | 4 / 13 (30.77%) | |
| Eye disorders | | | |
| Eyelid ptosis | | | |
| subjects affected / exposed | 3 / 12 (25.00%) | 0 / 13 (0.00%) | |
| occurrences (all) | 3 | 0 | |
| Metamorphopsia | | | |

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|---|---------------------|----------------------|--|
| subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) | 1 / 12 (8.33%) 1 | 0 / 13 (0.00%) 0 | |
| Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders | | | |
| Wound infection subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) | 0 / 12 (0.00%) 0 | 1 / 13 (7.69%) 1 | |
| Scar discomfort subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) | 0 / 12 (0.00%) 0 | 3 / 13 (23.08%) 3 | |
| Infections and infestations | | | |
| Conjunctivitis subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) | 1 / 12 (8.33%) 0 | 0 / 13 (0.00%) 0 | |

More information

Substantial protocol amendments (globally)

Were there any global substantial amendments to the protocol? No

Interruptions (globally)

Were there any global interruptions to the trial? No

Limitations and caveats

None reported