**Multimodal analgesia after laparoscopic cholecystectomy; A comparative study between three different techniques.**

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**Abstract:**

**Background:** Patients undergoinglaparoscopic cholecystectomy often experience severe post-operative pain and may develop into chronic pain.

**Objective**: current study compared the efficacy and safety of intraperitoneal instillation of bupivacaine alone, intraperitoneal instillation of bupivacaine and dexmedetomidine; and ultra-sound guided transversus abdominis plane block for post-operative pain relief after laparoscopic cholecystectomy.

**Patients and Methods**: This prospective study was conducted on 90 patients undergoing laparoscopic cholecystectomy. Patients were randomized into three groups: group I [n=30]:patients will be givenIntraperitoneal bupivacaine 50 ml 0.25%; group II [n=30]: patients will be given Intraperitoneal bupivacaine 50 ml 0.25% + dexmedetomidine 1μg/kg and group III[n=30]: patients Will receive bilateral in-plane ultrasound guided transversus abdominis plane block with of bupivacaine 0.25% . At the end of surgery. Postoperative VAS pain scores, time to first analgesic requirement, total dose of rescue analgesic, hemodynamic parameters and incidence of postoperative nausea and vomiting were all recorded.

**Results:** VAS scores were significantly lower in group III and group II compared with group I postoperative. Total dose of rescue analgesic was significantly lower in group III compared with group II and group I. Time to the first analgesic dose was significantly longer in group III and group II compared to group I . There was increased incidence of postoperative nausea and vomiting in group III

**Conclusion**: T A P block is more effective in postoperative analgesia

**Keywords:**

Postoperative analgesia, laparoscopic cholecystectomy, intraperitoneal instillation,

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**1-Introduction:**

More than 80% of patients undergoing surgical methods encounter intense postoperative torment and mossycup oak about them report card the seriousness Similarly as moderate, severe, or amazing [1].

Post-agent torment then afterward laparoscopy contrasts Extensively from that seen then afterward laparotomy. Laparotomy effects basically in parietal agony [abdominal wall], while ache On laparoscopy effects starting with extending of the intra‑abdominal cavity, perithelium inflammation, Also diaphragmatic aggravation created Eventually Tom's perusing remaining carbon‑dioxide in the peritoneal [2].

A lot of people alternatives need aid accessible for the medication of postoperative agony to laparoscopic cholecystectomy [L C], including systemic [i. E. , opioid Also non-opioid] analgesics Also territorial [i. E. , neuraxial What's more peripheral] pain relieving strategies. [3]. Territorial anesthesia Also absense of pain could a chance to be used to fundamentally diminish postoperative agony scores Also save the utilization from claiming systemic opioids. [4].

**2-Patients and methods:**

After the approval of the institutional ethical committee of Benha university hospital, this Prospective, single blind randomized study was conducted on 90 patients with laparoscopic cholecystectomy, between the age of18–60 years old, American Society of Anesthesia [ASA] I and II, undergoing laparoscopic cholecystectomy operation. Refusal to participate, Morbid obesity, renal insufficiency, generalized or local infection and ASA physical status III-IV were excluded.

The participants were allocated into three groups of 30 in each by a random sequence number generated by the computer kept in sealed envelopes. group I [n=30]:patients will be givenIntraperitoneal bupivacaine 50 ml 0.25%; group II [n=30]: patients will be given Intraperitoneal bupivacaine 50 ml 0.25% + dexmedetomidine 1μg/kg and group III[n=30]: patients Will receive bilateral in-plane ultrasound guided transversus abdominis plane block with of bupivacaine 0.25% .

Preanesthetic investigations were fulfilled in all patients, Patients were pre-medicated with IV midazolam 0.02 - 0.05 mg/kg , 10 minutes before the operation an 18-gauge intravenous [IV] catheter was inserted.

Pre-oxygenation with 100% oxygen [O2] was done for 3 min. General anesthesia was induced with fentanyl 1-2 mcg/kg and propofol 2–3 mg/kg followed by rocuronium 0.5–0.8 mg/kg to facilitate endotracheal intubation.

Anaesthesia was maintained with isoflurane 1.2% and rocuronium 0.15 mg/kg as a maintenance dose every 30 minutes till the end of the procedure.

Heart rate was continuously monitored and mean arterial blood pressure [MAP] was measured every 5 minutes throughout the procedure .

**2.1-At the end of the surgery**, the study solution was given intraperitoneally before removal of trocar in Trendelenburg′s position, into the hepato-diaphragmatic space, on gall bladder bed and near and above hepatoduodenal ligament in group **I** and group **II**. Regional block was induced in group **III** as following bilateral in-plane ultrasound guided transversus abdominis plane block with of bupivacaine 25% with the same volume as group **I and** group **II**.

Reversal of neuromuscular block was done using neostigmine 0.04- 0.07 mg/kg and atropine 0.02 mg/kg. The patient was extubated after fulfilling the criteria of full reverse. After emerging from anesthesia, the patient was transferred to the post anesthesia care unit [PACU] for a 24 hours observation period.

Postoperative analgesia regimen was standard in all groups.Primary outcome measure included Pain rescue-analgesia consumption in the first 24 hours [time of first rescue analgesic, total rescue analgesic requirement].

**2.2-Statistical analysis:**

The clinical data were recorded on a report form. These data were tabulated and statistically analysed using the computer program SPSS [Statistical package for social science] version 20

**3-Results:**

Ninety patients were recruited in this study, 30 patients in each group. As regards age, weight, height and ASA status, current study showed no significant statistical difference between both groups with P-value > 0.05

Regarding comparison of VAS in the three groups, V A S was lower in group III than group II and it was lower in group II more than group I when measured at rest and on patient's movement at 6, 12 and 24 hours post-operatively [ p - value < 0.001 ] so there was a statistically significant differences in the post-operative period between these groups**[Table1]** , as shown in **[figure1]** and **[figure 2]**.

As regard, morphine consumption; which includes the time of first rescue analgesia and total dose of morphine consumption during 24 hours postoperative, current study showed longer duration of analgesia in group III. Also, the total dose of morphine consumption was lower in group III

As regardMAP :- At 6 , 12 and24 hours the patients in groupIII and group II were hemodynamically stable more than group I as M A P was high in group I more than groupIII and group II .

As regard heart rate:- At 6, 12 and24 hours the patients in groupIII and group II were hemodynamically stable more than group I as heart rate was high in group I more than groupIII and group II .

**Table [ 2 ] :- Visual analogue scale in all groups during 24 hours post-operative**

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| **Post-operative**  **Visual analogue scale** | | | | **Group I** | **Group II** | **Group III** | **p-value** |
| **On arrival**  **to PACU** | | | **At rest** | 0.5[0-1] | 0[0-1] | 0[0-1] | P=0.56 |
| **On movement** | 0[0-1] | 1[0-1] | 2[2-3] | p= 0.055 |
| **One hour** | | | **At rest** | 1[0-1] | 0[0-1] | 0[0-1] | P= 0.26 |
| **On movement** | 1[0-1] | 1[1-1.25] | 2[1-3] | P = 0.49 |
| **Two hours** | | | **At rest** | 1[1-2] | 1[1-2] | 1[0-2] | P =0.23 |
| **On movement** | 0[0-1] | 1[0-1] | 2[1-3] | P =0.37 |
| **6 hours** | | | **At rest** | 2[2-3] | 2[1-2] | 1[1-2] | P <0.001\*\* |
| **On movement** | 3[3-3] | 2[2-2] | 2[1-3] | p<0.001\*\* |
| **12 hours** | | | **At rest** | 4[3-4] | 3[3-3] | 2[2-3] | P<0.001\*\* |
| **On movement** | 5[4-5] | 3[3-3] | 3[2-3] | p<0.001\*\* |
| **24 hours** | **At rest** | 5[5-6] | 4[3-4] | 4[2-4] | | P<0.001\*\* | |
| **On movement** | 5[5-6] | 4[3-4] | 3[2.75-4] | | p<0.001\*\* | |

**Figure [1] :- VAS values at rest**

**Figure [2]:- VAS values on patient's movement**

**4-Discussion:**

Laparoscopic cholecystectomy brings about lesquerella postoperative ache or diminished pain relieving utilization At compared for open cholecystectomy. However, torment after laparoscopy might be direct alternately Indeed extreme to A percentage patients Also might oblige opioid medicine.

Instillator of an intraperitoneal nearby analgesic to decrease postoperative torment need been contemplated through randomized trials for more than 10 quite some time. Those recommended component of activity will be that those nociceptive receptors in the peritoneal aggravation need aid blocked Toward the neighborhood analgesic as well as systemic absorption might happen through those huge perithelium surface, including a more terrific pain relieving impact [5].

Tap square given compelling analgesia, The point when utilized Likewise a and only a multimodal pain relieving regimen in the to start with 24 postoperative hours Accordingly, tap square decreased the seriousness from claiming postoperative torment in the main 24 postoperative hours Toward more than 70%. [6]. In regards correlation of vas and morphia utilization in the three groups, there were noteworthy contrasts in the post-operative time when measured at rest Also once patient's development In 6, 12 and 24 hours post-operatively, At for the most part qualities were easier clinched alongside assembly iii more than one assembly ii , this may be steady with Ayca sultan of swat Sahin who discovered that those prerequisite for postoperative analgesics were at essentially easier in the gathering who accepted a bigger volume in any case an easier centralization of nearby analgesic result [7].

Srinivas Rapolu1et al. , Compared anti-nociceptive impacts about intraperitoneal instillator of bupivacaine plain What's more bupivacaine with dexmedetomidine for patients undergoing laparoscopic cholecy-stectomy. They discovered that imply ache scores were essentially more level in the one assembly bd At contrasted with gathering b Throughout the whole span of the examine. There might have been statistically noteworthy distinction to vas ache score during 6, 8, 12, 18, 24 hours then afterward surgery. Time will prerequisite about 1st measurement salvage absense of pain might have been prolonged in the aggregation bd [8].

**5-Conclusion:**

TAP block is more effective in postoperative analgesia after laparoscopic cholecystectomy

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