

# A COMPARATIVE STUDY ON SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF ANTI INFLAMMATORY VERSUS OPIOID IN OSTEOARTHRITIS

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**ABSTRACT :** Osteoporosis is a degenerative sickness of synovial joints that influences ligament and bone of both huge and little joints and continuously meddles with the capacity to work and relying upon the joints in question, the exercises of everyday living. The aim of the study is to compare the efficacy and tolerability of oxaceprol, in comparison to the relatively weak opioid tramadol, in the treatment of symptomatic knee osteoarthritis and the objectives are to examine was and evaluate the efficacy and pain relief by Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC) fr solidness, and actual capacity, estimated on 100 mm VAS scale. We assessed 31 patients in each gathering. Test size estimation was finished utilizing nMaster 2.0 programming. There were no hospitalizations attributable to antagonistic occasions. Consistence regarded astounding in more than 80% subjects in both investigation arms ( $P = 0.985$ ). Osteoarthritis, the most widely recognized reason for arthralgia in grown-ups, is prevalently connected with loss of joint ligament. NSAIDs can give powerful help with discomfort; however their all-encompassing use conveys the danger of genuine ADRs. The viability and bearableness of oxaceprol were compairable to that of tramadol and the medication can be considered as an option in contrast to low - potency narcotics in the administration of knee osteoarthritis.

**Keywords:** Osteoporosis, WOMAC, oxaceprol, lowpotency narcotics.

## I.INTRODUCTION

Osteoporosis is a degenerative sickness of synovial joints that influences ligament and bone of both huge and little joints and continuously meddles with the capacity to work and relying upon the joints in question, the exercises of everyday living. Osteoporosis makes bones become frail and fragile — so weak that a fall or even gentle anxieties, for example, twisting around or hacking can cause a crack. Osteoporosis-related cracks most usually happen in the hip, wrist or spine. Bone is living tissue that is continually being separated and supplanted <sup>[1]</sup>. Osteoporosis happens when the formation of new bone doesn't stay aware of the deficiency of old bone. Osteoporosis influences people, all things considered. However, white and Asian ladies — particularly more established ladies who are past menopause — are at most elevated danger. Drugs, sound eating routine and weight-bearing activity can help forestall bone misfortune or reinforce effectively frail bones <sup>[2]</sup>. The detailed pervasiveness of osteoarthritis fluctuates as per the technique used to assess it. In most epidemiological investigations it is usually surveyed by radiography. Stamped osteoarthritic harm should be available, in any case, to identify trademark changes with plain radiographs, and they are subsequently not touchy analytic tests. About 6% of grown-ups age 3 30 have continuous knee torment and radiographic osteoarthritis. Osteoarthritis is brought about by atypical nearby mechanical components acting inside the setting of fundamental helplessness <sup>[3]</sup>. Foundational factors that expansion the weakness of the joint to osteoarthritis incorporate expanding age, female sex, and perhaps nourishing lacks. While epidemiological examinations have indicated a significant hereditary part to chance that is presumably polygenic, the qualities mindful have not yet been identified.3 In individuals in danger, nearby mechanical factors, for example, misalignment, muscle shortcoming, or modifications in the underlying honesty of the joint climate, (for example, meniscal harm) encourage the movement of the illness <sup>[4]</sup>. Stacking can likewise be influenced by heftiness and joint injury, the two of which can improve the probability of creating osteoarthritis or encountering its movement.

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## II. MATERIALS AND METHODS

**Study Size:** 62 Subjects

**Study Site:**

**Study Period:**

**Study Condition:** Osteoarthritis.

**Study Drugs:** Oxaceprol and Tramadol.

**Inclusion Criteria:**

50 years of age, with knee joint pain intensity of at least 35 mm on a 100 mm visual analog scale (VAS)

**Exclusion Criteria:**

Those patients with morning stiffness of over 30 min, secondary osteoarthritis, prior intra-articular injection of hyaluronic acid/steroid in the study knee at any time in the past 3 months, knee injury or diagnostic arthroscopy of signal knee within 6 months preceding enrollment or advanced osteoarthritis and any serious concomitant disease were excluded.

**Method:**

The investigation was led as an equal gathering, double blind, randomized controlled preliminary at the rheumatology outpatient branch of a tertiary consideration showing medical clinic in Hyderabad. Endorsement was gotten from the Institutional Ethics Committee, and the investigation was appropriately enlisted with Clinical Trials Registry, India. Just patients giving composed educated assent were enlisted.

62 patients more than 50 years old, with knee joint torment force of at any rate 35 mm on a 100 mm visual simple scale (VAS) present for at any rate going before 3 months and with affirmed degenerative changes in knee skiagram, were selected between February 2019 and August 2020. In the event that joint contribution was two-sided, the more terrible off knee was thought of. Those patients with morning solidness of more than 30 min, auxiliary osteoarthritis, earlier intra-articular infusion of hyaluronic corrosive/steroid in the investigation knee whenever in the previous 3 months, knee injury or symptomatic arthroscopy of sign knee inside a half year going before enlistment or progressed osteoarthritis (characterized as twisted joint, joint space <2 mm or sickness requiring knee medical procedure) and any genuine associative infection were rejected<sup>[5]</sup>. Members were randomized to one of the two investigation gatherings, in 1:1 proportion, in five squares of 20 each, utilizing PC created irregular number rundown<sup>[6]</sup>.

Following a waste of time of in any event 7 days for existing pain relieving treatment, they took either oxaceprol 200 mg case or tramadol 50 mg case, threefold every day after food, for 12 weeks. There was a choice to raise portion in one or the other gathering to two cases threefold day by day if the reaction was inadmissible as shown by deficient relief from discomfort or ordinary utilization of salvage pain relieving. Both investigation drugs were given, on solicitation, by Lupin Limited, Mumbai, and were provided as identical-appearing cases bundled in sealed shut, screw cap compartments reasonable named as preliminary medicine<sup>[7]</sup>.

The medications were coded An or B. Container character was not uncovered to the patients or going to examiners. Designation disguise was accomplished utilizing the sequentially numbered, murky, fixed envelope method. The randomization list and the code breaking authority were held by a senior pharmacologist not straightforwardly associating with the members<sup>[8]</sup>. Patients were followed up at 4 and two months from the beginning of the treatment, with the last examination visit being at 12 weeks. Paracetamol 1000 mg up to 3 portions day by day was allowed as salvage prescription. Consistence was surveyed by estimating the quantity of cases returned at the following examination visit. It was considered to be fantastic if not over 10% of booked dosages were missed, acceptable if not over 20% were missed, reasonable if not over 30% were missed, and poor for any circumstance more awful than reasonable<sup>[9]</sup>.

The essential viability variable for this examination was indication alleviation as evaluated by Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC) rendition 3.1 for torment, solidness, and actual capacity, estimated on 100 mm VAS scale (0 meaning no sign/side effect and 100 most noticeably awful conceivable sign/manifestation)<sup>[10]</sup>. Responder rate was determined based on decrease in agony score by at any rate half from gauge. Patient's Clinical Global Impression (CGI) was recorded on a 5 point Likert scale as much deteriorated, declined, no change, improved and significantly better. The quantum of salvage prescription utilized during the investigation time frame was additionally recorded. People went through standard research center examinations (complete blood check, fasting plasma glucose, routine liver capacity tests, and serum creatinine) at gauge study end for wellbeing appraisal. Imperative signs were recorded at each examination visit and all treatment emergent unfriendly occasions, either revealed precipitously by people or noted by the going to specialist, were recorded.

An organized manual case report structure was utilized for information catch. We assessed 31 patients in each

gathering. This example size was determined to identify a distinction of 30 in torment segment of WOMAC score between bunches with 80% force and 0.05 likelihood of Type 1 mistake, accepting a standard deviation of 45 and two sided testing. Taking into account a 20% dropout rate, this meant an enlistment focus of 44 people, adjusted to 45 people, per gathering or 90 people generally. Test size estimation was finished utilizing nMaster 2.0 (Department of Biostatistics) programming.

#### Statistical Analysis:

Examination of WOMAC scores, which were ordinarily circulated, between bunches were by Student's autonomous examples t test, while rehashed measures investigation of fluctuation was utilized for surveying critical change over the long run inside gathering with t test All investigations were two tailed, and we thought about  $P < 0.05$  as genuinely huge. Statistica form 6 (Tulsa, Oklahoma: StatSoft Inc., 2001) and SPSS Statistics variant 22 (IBM, Chicago, IL, USA, 2014) programming were utilized for the factual investigation.

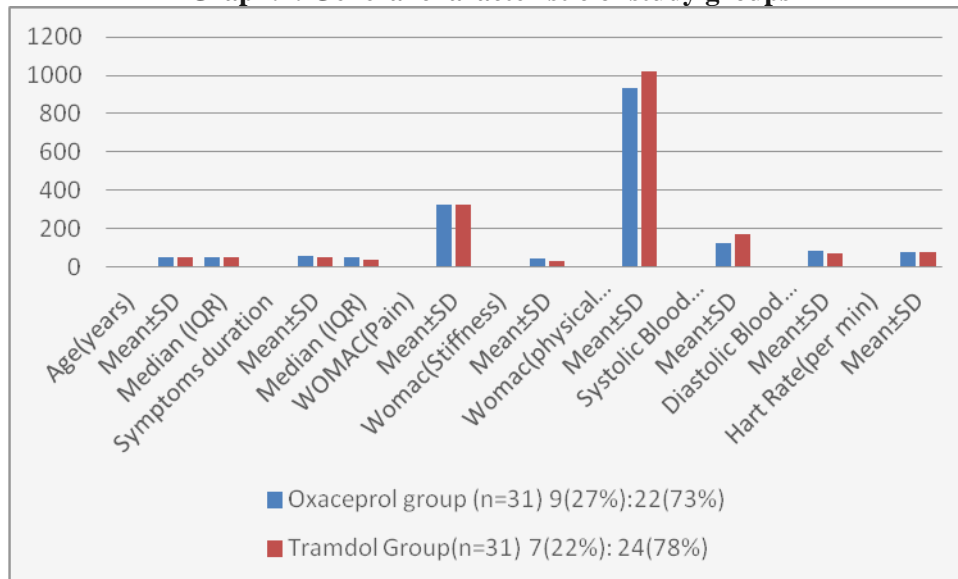
### III.RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Of the 74 patients took on this investigation, 8 didn't return in any event, for the first follow- up visit, and 4 pulled out because of antagonistic medication responses (ADRs) subsequent to beginning drug. Hence, 62 patients (86.81%) gave information evaluable to viability 31 in oxaceprol and 31 in tramadol arm. Figure 1 portrays the progression of study members. Standard profile of the people is summed up in Table 1.

**Table 1 General characteristic of study groups**

Parameter	Oxaceprol group (n=31)	Tramadol Group(n=31)	P value
<b>Male- Female(%)</b>	9(27%):22(73%)	7(22%): 24(78%)	0.632
<b>Age(years)</b>			0.596
Range	48-69	48-62	
Mean±SD	49.63±4.95	51.36±3.98	
Median (IQR)	50(48.0-54.0)	49.6(48.0-52.5)	
<b>Symptoms duration</b>			0.121
Range	4.6-129.9	4.6-162.3	
Mean±SD	56.63±46.21	51.36±56.32	
Median (IQR)	50(48.0-54.0)	36.6(18.0-50.5)	
<b>WOMAC(Pain)</b>			0.812
Range	146.32-432.63	183.21-463.21	
Mean±SD	324.63±68.32	321.32±68.32	
<b>Womac(Stiffness)</b>			0.632
Range	15.0-72.0	19.0-58.0	
Mean±SD	41.32±12.30	32.12±8.32	
<b>Womac(physical function)</b>			0.71
Range	530.0-402.0	621.30-1493.0	
Mean±SD	936.0±183.20	1023.41±189.65	
<b>Systolic Blood Pressure(mmHg)</b>			0.296
Range	106.0-144.0	160.0-136.0	
Mean±SD	126.32±7.69	167.63±6.98	
<b>Diastolic Blood Pressure(mmHg)</b>			0.632
Range	60.0-96.0	66.0-96.0	
Mean±SD	80.96±8.49	69.85±7.98	
<b>Hart Rate(per min)</b>			0.221
Range	68.0-94.0	68.0-88.0	
Mean±SD	76.32±5.96	77.3±4.44	

**Graph.1: General characteristic of study groups**



Clearly, most of patients were females in their fifties, and the WOMAC scores for agony, firmness and actual capacity were equivalent between the gatherings. Table 2 portrays the sequential change in all the WOMAC parts in the two gatherings the scores declined essentially from benchmark in each gathering however stayed similar between bunches all through the 12 week investigation. Figure 2 shows the correlation of CGI evaluations at the last visit. Albeit 38 (88.37%) patients from oxaceprol gathering and 23 (63.89%) from tramadol bunch evaluated CGI as improved to much improved in the 5 point Likert scale at the last visit, the thing that matters was not measurably critical (P = 0.080). The half responder rate at conclusive visit was unobtrusive at 16 subjects (37.21%) in oxaceprol and 8 (22.22%) in tramadol (P = 0.219) arms. Portion up titration was needed for 6 subjects (13.95%) on oxaceprol and 7 (19.44%) on tramadol, this distinction again being genuinely nonsignificant (P = 0.555). Figure 3 portrays the mean number of salvage medicine dosages utilized all through the examination period in each gathering. It was additionally similar (P = 0.175) between the examination gatherings.

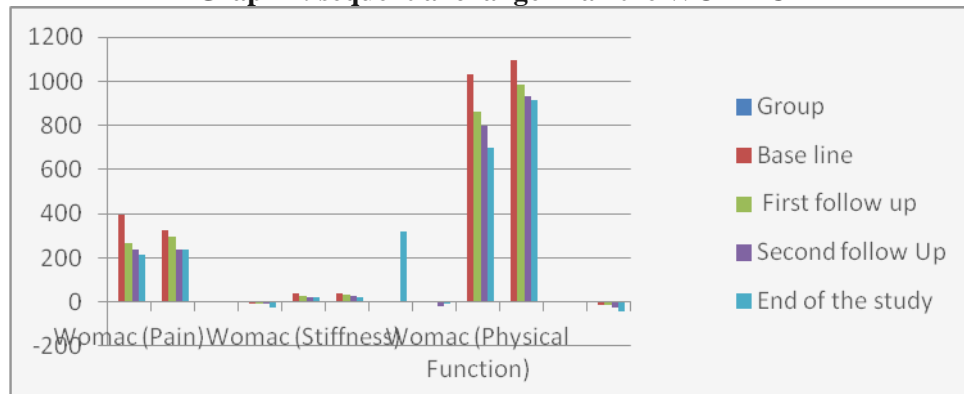
**Table 2: sequential change in all the WOMAC**

	Group	Base line	First follow up	Second follow Up	End of the study
<b>Womac (Pain)</b>	Oxaceprol(n=31) Mean± SD	396.41± 49.63	269.42± 72.36	236.41± 69.45	214.0± 79.63
	Tramadol(n=31) Mean± SD	326.12± 69.36	296.78± 69.78	236.85± 93.21	236.41± 96.32
	p value	0.769	0.5896	0.596	0.362
	Mean Difference b/w the groups	-3.21	-8.36	-6.789	-23.65
<b>Womac (Stiffness)</b>	Oxaceprol(n=31) Mean± SD	36.24±13.65	27.96± 16.32	23.45± 12.63	21.6± 14.32
	Tramadol(n=31) Mean± SD	39.45± 7.65	31.85± 10.96	25.31± 14.32	23.98± 12.63
	p value	0.569	0.781	0.563	321
	Mean Difference b/w the groups	1.67	0.52	-17.63	-3.89
<b>Womac (Physical Function)</b>	Oxaceprol(n=31) Mean± SD	1032.4± 159.78	863.21± 183.01	798.21± 210.36	698.32± 163.7

	Tramadol(n=31) Mean± SD	1098.56± 241.69	987.23± 198.10	932.12± 301.20	912.36± 310.2
	p value	0.687	0.735	0.532	0.521
	Mean Difference b/w the groups	-12.96	-16.32	-23.14	-42.31

Antagonistic occasions were accounted for 12 patients out of the 62 at first enlisted – 8 subjects had various grumblings. Be that as it may, there were no huge changes in weight, beat rate, circulatory strain and lab security boundaries. Treatment emergent occasions experienced numbered 6 in the oxaceprol arm commonest discombobulation in 2 examples and 14 in the tramadol arm the most widely recognized sickness and tipsiness in 6 occurrences each.

**Graph 2: sequential change in all the WOMAC**



There were 3 reports of gentle maculopapular rash with tramadol and 1 with oxaceprol. None of the unfriendly occasions were extreme in nature, yet 4 subjects pulled out agree attributable to this explanation after the beginning of treatment, all having a place with tramadol arm.

There were no hospitalizations attributable to antagonistic occasions. Consistence regarded astounding in more than 80% subjects in both investigation arms ( $P = 0.985$ ). Osteoarthritis, the most widely recognized reason for arthralgia in grown-ups, is prevalently connected with loss of joint ligament. NSAIDs can give powerful help with discomfort, however their all-encompassing use conveys the danger of genuine ADRs<sup>[11]</sup>. Rehashed endeavors to create specialists that can shield synovial ligament from disintegration or animate ligament fix have not met with significant achievement up until now and the couple of medications that are promoted as chondroprotective specialists, for example, diacerein or glucosamine, have humble viability, best case scenario, assuaging manifestations yet not actually capturing joint space narrowing. Thusly, it is imperative to investigate new specialists for indication help and joint security. Oxaceprol was presented around 30 years prior and is utilized generally in France and Germany for the administration of osteoarthritis.

Bauer et al<sup>[12]</sup>. looked at oxaceprol (200 mg threefold every day) with diclofenac (25 mg threefold day by day) more than 3 weeks in a multicenter, randomized, double blind, concentrate in Germany. Joint capacity, assessed by Lequesne's lists, improved clinically in both treatment arms. In the two gatherings VAS score for torment was decreased almost half, joint versatility improved almost 60% and torment free strolling period dramatically increased. Contrasts between bunches were not critical. The occurrence of ADRs was comparable in the two gatherings yet oxaceprol actuated milder manifestations. In another double-blind RCT, Herrmann et al<sup>[13]</sup> contrasted oxaceprol 400 mg threefold every day and diclofenac 50 mg threefold day by day more than 3 weeks in knee and hip osteoarthritis. Once more, the medications were equivalent regarding Lequesne's records, joint portability, VAS scores for torment and pain free strolling time, however oxaceprol was better endured. Since the fake treatment part can be solid in the reaction to osteoarthritis treatment, Krüger et al. led placebo controlled preliminary of oxaceprol 400 mg threefold day by day in difficult and radiologically affirmed knee or hip osteoarthritis. The essential endpoint was torment following activity, and toward the finish of the 3 week treatment time frame, oxaceprol indicated clear predominance over fake treatment in such manner.

Our outcomes show that the adequacy and bearableness of oxaceprol are equivalent to tramadol. Dissimilar to different examinations referred to, treatment period, for this situation, was longer at 12 weeks, recommending that the advantages of oxaceprol are not transient but rather endure with treatment. The medications were comparable in improving agony, solidness and actual capacity parts of WOMAC at all followup visits. The CGI scores were

likewise equivalent. These result measures were picked in accordance with the current norms for osteoarthritis clinical investigations. Unfavorable occasions were less in the oxaceprol gathering, however the occasion tallies didn't contrast measurably<sup>[14]</sup>. The decency is reflected in the good adherence rate. The current investigation has a lot of impediments. Osteoarthritis is a constant illness and study span of 12 weeks, however stretched out contrasted with before considers, isn't sufficient to set up longterm wellbeing and viability.

#### IV.CONCLUSION

In spite of the restrictions, we can presume that the viability and bearableness of oxaceprol were comparable to that of tramadol and the medication can be considered as an option in contrast to lowpotency narcotics in the administration of knee osteoarthritis. Further investigations are needed to investigate clinical utility in osteoarthritis at different areas and expected chondroprotective activity.

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