

Official Title: Platelet-rich Fibrin With Minocycline Versus Arestin in Non-surgical Periodontal Therapy: A Split-Mouth Randomized Controlled Clinical Trial

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Power and statistical analysis

The sample size for this trial was determined using data from the study by Sybil et al. ²² as a reference. An online power analysis platform (Sealed Envelope Ltd., London, UK; <https://www.sealedenvelope.com/power/continuous-superiority/>) was utilized for the calculation.

In the reference study, the standard deviation (SD) of the control group was reported as 0.55 with a sample size of 25 participants. To account for methodological variations and ensure a conservative estimate, an evidence value (d) of 1 was opted. Based on a significance level of 5% ($\alpha=0.05$) and a statistical power of 80% ($1-\beta=0.8$), the minimum sample size necessary was calculated as 13 participants per group. Permitting for an anticipated dropout rate of 20%, the final target allocation was set at 15 participants, with individual patients contributing sites for both test groups (PRF + Minocycline and Arestin[®]) under the split-mouth design.

Statistical analyses were conducted using GraphPad Prism version 10.0 (GraphPad Software, San Diego, CA, USA). Continuous clinical variables, such as PD, CAL, and GR, were expressed as mean \pm SD, while categorical variables (BOP) were expressed as absolute frequencies and percentages. The Shapiro-Wilk test was used to assess the normality. Suitable for the split-mouth design of the present study, a paired t-test was used to assess the inter-group comparisons. All statistical tests were two-tailed, and a *p*-value of < 0.05 was considered statistically significant.