

Table 3. Efficacy of the Meglumine Antimoniate and Thermoherapy stratified by parasite species, anatomic location, number and type of lesions and geographic region of the infection

Characteristic	Efficacy/ volunteers (%)		Efficacy/ volunteers (%)	
	Meglumine Antimoniate	P*	Thermoherapy	P*
Overall efficacy	103/143 (72)	-	86/149 (58)	-
Species				
<i>L. panamensis</i>	23/32(72)	0,5	14/24 (58)	0,6
<i>L. braziliensis</i>	34/52(65)		31/59(53)	
Number of lesions				
1	72/97 (74)	0,4	70/115 (61)	0,3
2 or more	31/46 (67)		17/34 (50)	
Anatomic location				
Upper body		0,3	73/123 (59)	
Lower body [†]	87/118 (73)		14/26 (54)	0,6
	16/25 (64)			
Geographic region of the infection				
Northeast	9/17 (53)	0,06	6/16 (38)	0,08
Southeast	94/126 (75)		81/133 (60)	

* Fisher exact test

[†] In this category, we included 18 volunteers who presented lesions in the upper and lower part of the body; 8 were from the Meglumine Antimoniate group, and 10 were from the Thermoherapy group