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# PHARMACOGNOSTICAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL ANALYSIS OF ERANDMOOLADI NIRUHA BASTI

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Lumbar spondylosis is now a days growing shrub of discomfort with a very painful and disabling condition in advancing years of life *Panchakarma* holds a unique place in *Ayurvedic* treatment portfolio due to this multi effect approach presented by each therapy. The fact that *Dosha* (waste material) once removed by *Panchakarma* procedures can never recur, adds to the promising nature of these therapies. Amongst five measures *Basti* holds prominent place as it is the best treatment for *Vata Dosha*. *Niruha Basti* which was selected for present study is a mild type of *Niruha* which has *Balya*, *Rasayana and* 

Vata Kapha Shamaka effects. These rejuvanative therapies prescribed (Rasayana) to control degeneration are time tested and valid till date. Eranda one of the best Vatahara drug. Methods- Final product was subjected to Phrmacognostical and physico-chemical analysis such as microscopic study, loss on drying, ash value etc. Results- Phrmacognostical study showed the presence of contents such as; Bottle neck shaped stone cells of Pippali, Starch grains of Guduchi, Stellete Trichome of Kantakari etc. Preliminary physico-chemical analysis showed that the loss on drying value was found to be 10.89%, pH 7.0, Ash value 6.23%, Alcohol soluble Extract 4.24%, Water soluble Extract 20.13%. Conclusion- The pharmacognostical and physico chemical analysis of Erandamooladi Niruha Basti

confirmed the purity and genuinety of the drug. Further studies may be carried out on it on the basis of observation made and results of experimental studies.

**KEYWORDS:** Erandamooladi Niruha Basti, Katishoola, Lumbar spondylosis, Pharmacogonosy.

#### INTRODUCTION

'Ayurveda', the natural healing system of medicine harms upon both curative and preventive aspects of health. Changing life style has brought upon many diseases with different dimensions in human life of developing countries. Factors like improper sitting postures, long driving, usage of internet, TV etc. for a prolonged period, jerking movements in travel, improper sports activities and bad sleeping posture etc. are the chief contributing factors to produce *Katishoola* (Musculoskeletal disorder). The most important musculoskeletal structure is Spine. Lumbar spine, being the major bearer of whole body weight of an individual, that's why it is most prone to be affected.

Back pain is the most common ailment in today's busy life. Majority of us have experienced one or more episodes of back pain in our lives and many of us live with chronic symptoms. Incidences of low back pain affects 60-85% in adults and lumbar Spondylosis is responsible for about 10% of all back pain. So this disease has a significant impact upon working population. This disease not only inflicts pain but causes difficulty in walking, daily routine activities and cut off the happy life of the patient.

In the present study, the *Erandamuladi Niruha Basti*<sup>[1]</sup> is subjected to Pharmacognostical and pharmaceutical analysis. Preliminary organoleptic features and results of microscopy were verified and all the ingredients were proved to be authentic.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Collection, Identification and Authentication of raw drugs

The raw materials were collected from the pharmacy of Gujarat Ayurved University, Jamnagar. All the raw drugs were identified and authenticated in the Pharmacogonosy Department, Institute for Post Graduate Teaching and Research in Ayurveda, Gujarat Ayurved University, Jamnagar.

# Preparation of the drug

As specific method of preparation is not mentioned for this drug, *Kalka* and *Kwatha dravya* of *Erandamuladi Niruha Basti* were prepared in Pharmacy of Gujarat Ayurved University, Jamnagar as per common guidelines described in classics and API for *Churna* and *Yavakuta* formulation. Physico-chemical and qualitative analysis of the final product were carried out in the pharmaceutical chemistry laboratory of IPGT & RA, Gujarat Ayurved University, Jamnagar under expert guidance.

## Pharmacognostical study

The Pharmacognostical study comprises of organoleptic study and microscopic study of finished product scientifically studied at Pharmacognosy laboratory, I.P.G.T. & R.A., Gujarat Ayurved University, Jamnagar, Gujarat, India.

# **Organoleptic Study**

The Organoleptic characters of *Ayurvedic* drugs are very important and give the general idea regarding the genuinity of the sample. Organoleptic parameters like Taste, Colour, odour and touch were scientifically studied.<sup>[2]</sup>

### Physico-chemical analysis

*Erandamooladi Niruha Basti* was analyzed using various standard physico-chemical parameters such as loss on drying, water soluble extract, alcohol soluble extract etc.<sup>[3]</sup>

#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

# Organoleptic characters of Erandamooladi Niruha Basti

Organoleptic characters contents of *Erandamooladi Niruha Basti* like colour, taste, touch, Odour were recorded and shown in **Table-2**.

## **Microscopic Study**

Diagnostic characters of *Erandamooladi Niruha Basti* under the microscope showed; **Bottle** neck shaped stone cells of *Pippali*, Starch grains of *Guduchi*, Stellete Trichome of *Kantakari* etc. All these are showed in **Plate no 1**.

# PHARMACEUTICAL EVALUATION

# Physico-chemical analysis

Physico-chemical analysis of *Erandamooladi Niruha Basti* revealed the value of loss on drying was 14.11%, Ash value 7.807% w/w, water soluble extraction 17.38% Alcohol soluble extraction 5.75%, pH Value 6.5 are shown in **Table –3.** 

Table 1. Contents of Erandamooladi Niruha Basti.

Serial no.	Drug	<b>Botanical source</b>	Part used	Dosage
1	Erand	Ricinus communis Linn.	Root	50 gm
2	Palasha	Butea monosperma Linn.	Seed	25 gm
3	Shalparni	Desmodium gangeticum D.C.	Root	25 gm
4	Prishniparni	Uraria picta Disce	Root	25 gm
5	Vrihati	Solanum indicum Linn	Root	25 gm
6	Kantakari	Solanum surratens Burn.	Root	25 gm
7	Gokshura	Tribulus terrestris Linn.	Root	25 gm
8	Rasna	Pluchea lanceolata C.B Clarke	Root	25 gm
9	Aswagandha	Withnia somnifera D.C.	Root	25 gm
10	Atibala	Abutilon indicum Linn.	Root	25 gm
11	Guduchi	Tinospora cordifolia Willd.	Stem	25 gm
12	Punanarnava	Boerhavia diffusa Linn.	Panchang	25 gm
13	Aragwadh	Cassia fistula Linn.	Phalmajja	25 gm
14	Devdaru	Cedrus deodara Roxb.	kandsara	25 gm
15	Madanphal	Randia spinosa Pair	fruit	25 gm
16	Shatpushpa	Foeniculum officinalis	Fruit	25 gm
17	Hribera	Juniperus communis Linn	Flower	3 gm
18	Priyangu	Callicrpa macrophylla Vahl	Flower	3 gm
19	Pippali	Piper longum Linn	Fruit	3 gm
20	Yasthimadhu	Glycyrrhiza glabra Linn.	Root	3 gm
21	Bala	Sida cordifolia Linn.	Seed	3 gm
22	Rasanjan	Berberis aristata D.c	Niryas	3 gm
23	Indrayava	Holarrhena antidysenterica Linn	Seed	3 gm
24	Mustak	Cyperus rotundus Linn	Root	3 gm
25	Saindhablavan	Rock salt		10 gm
26	Madhu	Honey		70ml.
27	Tila taila	Sesamum indicum		70ml
28	Gomutra	Cows urine		10ml

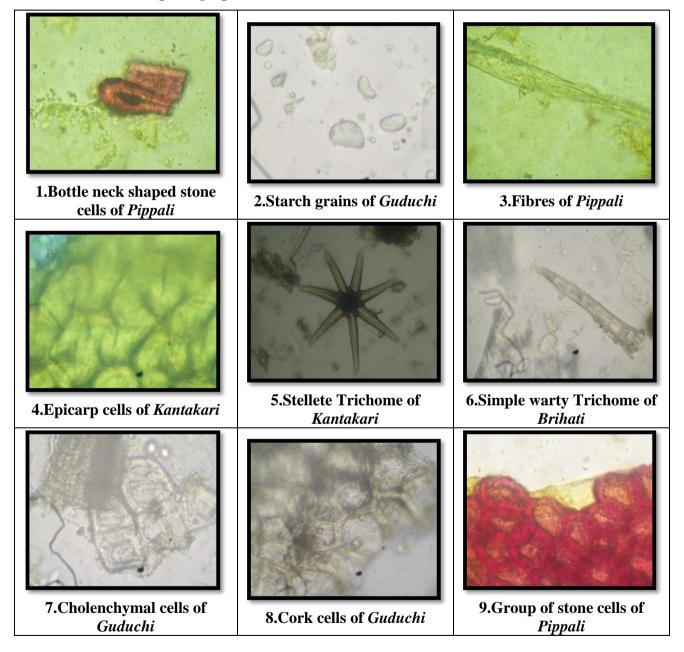
Table 2: Organoleptic parameters of Erandamooladi Niruha Basti.

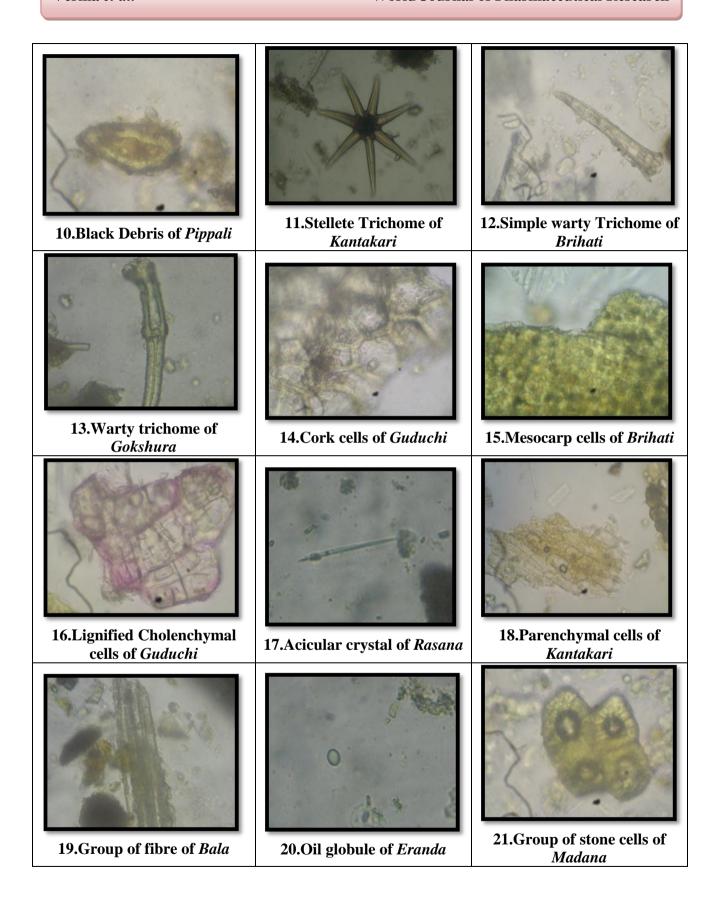
Serial no.	Character	Observed
1	Colour	Greenish yellow
2	Odour	Pungent
3	Taste	Bitter
4	Touch	Course Powder

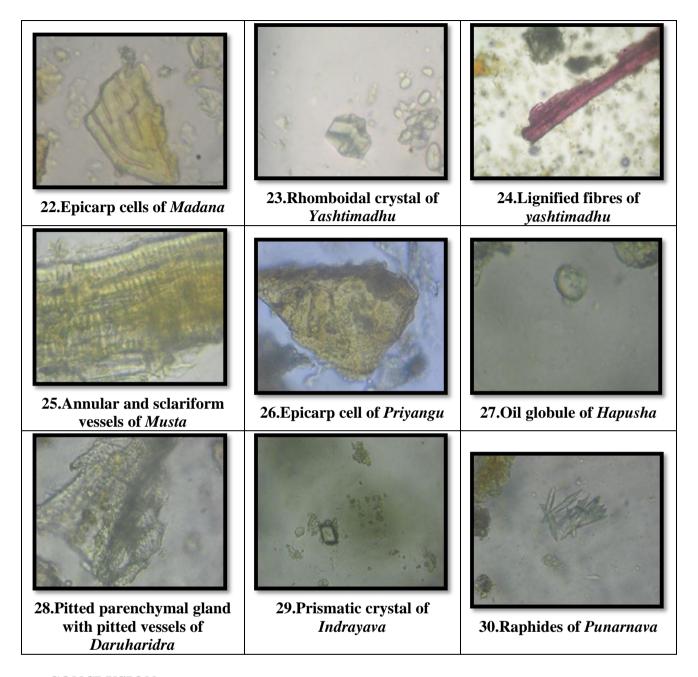
Table 3: Physico-chemical analysis of Erandamooladi Niruha Basti.

Serial no.	Test	Result
1	Loss on drying	10.89% w/w
2	Ash value	6.23% w/w
3	Water soluble extract	20.13% w/w
4	Alcohol soluble extract	4.24% w/w
5	рН	7.0

Plate no 1: Microphotographs of Erandamooladi Niruha Basti.







### **CONCLUSION**

Quality control of Herbo- mineral formulation is very much necessary to assess its safety, purity and universal acceptability. Standardization is a measurement for ensuring the quality control enabling the reproducibility of the formulation. The pharmacognostical and physico chemical analysis of *Erandamooladi Niruha Basti* confirmed the purity and genuinety of the drug. Further studies may be carried out on it on the basis of observation made and results of experimental studies. This study may be beneficial for future researchers and can be used as a reference standard in the further quality control researchers.

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