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STANYAJANAN DRUGS IN BHAVPRAKASHA NIGHANTU - A REVIEW ARTICLE

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ABSTRACT

Lactation mean's the secretion of milk from the breast. Milk production is essential for optimal feeding of baby. It gives lifetime immunity, growth and essential development through its nutrion. Now a day's *Stanyakshaya* is a very common problem faced by no of young ladies. Malnutrition, Bowl problem infectious, Morbidity, Childhood obesity, Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes and Sudden Infant death syndrome like conditions suffered by neonates. In *Ayurvedic* texts "*Amrut*" word is used as synonym of "*Stanya*" which itself denotes the importance of *stanya*. Also *Ayurvedic* classics book is very well quoted for

importance of breast milk for the neonates. In this review article my attempt is to present a portion of *Stanyajanan* drugs mentioned in *Bhavprakasha nighantu* and highlight the need of that drugs as well as understand concepts of action of *stanyajanan dravya*.

KEYWORD: *Stanya*, Growth and development, *Stanyakshaya*, *Stanyajanan* drugs, *Bhavprakasha nighantu*.

INTRODUCTION

Women are support system of each and every family. Mother milk is the best nutrition for every neonate as well as child and it contains all the nutrients for well development of baby. It is a best god gift for neonates and children. Impact of western lifestyle, dietary habits and misconception among young ladies that due to breast feeding she become fatty and less beautiful this triggering factors leads she not to feed own baby. Due to these causes stress and strain induced a hormonal imbalance which readily results into much dangerous conditions such as *stanyakshya*.

Meaning of Stanya

"Rasaprasado madhuraha pakvaaharnimittajaha |

Krutsandehatsanoo prapya stanyaityabhidiyate ||"

- Su.Su.10/18

In *sadhyaprasuta* the sweet essence part of this *rasa* circulating in the whole body gets collected in the breast and is termed as *stanya*.

Properties of Shudha Stanya

"Avyahatbalaangaayurrogo vardhate sukham/

Shishudhatrayornapatiha shudhakshirasya lakshanam||"

- Ka. Su. 19 Pu.

Milk which without any interruption in her baby's energy, all organs development *Aayu* as well as disease free stage increases and child feel happy during and after feeding, are the properties of *Shuddha Stanya*.

Distribution of Stanya

"Striya hyapanann garbhayastridhaa rasaha pratipadyate|

Swasharirpushatye stanyay garbhavrudhaye cha||"

- Ca. su. 6/23

The properties for lactation starts during pregnancy. The *aahar* consumed by *Garbhini* is utilised for three main functions: *Swasharirposhana*, *stanya* formation and *garbhaposhana*.

In *Ayurvedic* classics it can be derived that *stanyakshaya* is a condition occurring due to four main factors:-

- 1. Rasa Dhatukshaya
- 2. Agni mandyata (Jatharagni and Rasdhatvagnimandhyata)
- 3. Stanavaha strotoavrodha
- 4. Maansik abhava (Shoka, Bhaya, avaatsalya)

Causes of Stanyanasha / Stanyanasha

"Kroodhashokaavatsalyaadinhishach striyaha stanyanaasho bhavati |"

- Su. Sha. 10/30

Kroodha, shoka, avatsalya are causes of stanyanasha.

Symptoms of Stanyanasha

"Stanyakshaye stanayamlanata stanya sambhavoalpata va |

- Su. Su. 25/16

Apart from absence or decrease also quantity of *stanya*, *Acharyas* have also enumerate *stanyamalnta* as a symptoms of *stanyakshaya*.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Stanya which is secreted through stanya.

Nirmiti – Matruj avayava.

Dosha – Kapha.

Dhatu - Rasa.

Updhtu – *Stanya*.

Strotasa – Rasa, Rakta, Stanyavaha.

Stanya is formed by all above factors according the classics text stanya is updhatu of rasa dhatu. After proper digestion and utilization of aahar by jaatharagni and dhatvagni rasa is formed.

List of Stanyajanan drugs and Pharmacological properties in Bhavapraksha nighantu.

Sr.No	Drug name	Latin Name	Family	Rasa	Guna	Veerya	Vipaka
1.	Karpasi	Gossypium herbaceum, Linn.	Malvaceae	Madhur (Beeja)	Snigdha	Kinchita Ushna	Madhur
2.	Gundra	Typhaangustata Bory and Chaub.	Typhaceae	Kashaya, Madhur	Snigdha	Sheeta	Madhur
3.	Vidarikanda	Pueraria tuberosa, DC.	Fabaceae	Madhur	Snigdha, Guru	Sheeta	Madhur
4.	Shatavari	Asparagus Racemosus, Wild.	Liliaceae	Madhur, Tikta	Guru, Snigdha	Sheeta	Madhur
5.	Kadamb	Anthocephalus cadmba, Miq.	Rubiaceae	Madhur, Kashaya	Guru, Ruksha, Sar	Sheeta	Madhur
6.	Nyagrodha	Ficus bengalensis, Linn.	Moraceae	Kashaya	Guru, Ruksha	Sheeta	Katu
7.	Udumbar	Ficus glomerata, Roxb.	Moraceae	Madhur, Kashaya	Ruksha, Guru	Sheeta	Katu
8.	Ashvathaa	Ficus religiosa, Linn.	Moraceae	Kashaya, Madhur	Guru, Ruksha	Sheeta	Katu
9.	Parisha	Thespesia populnea, Soland.	Malvaceae	Root-Madhur Fruit- Aaml, Majja-Kashya	Snigdha, Laghu	Sheeta	Katu
10.	Plaksha	Ficus infectoria, Roxb.	Moraceae	Kashaya	Guru, Ruksha	Sheeta	Katu

DISCUSSION

By studying all these drugs it is shown that *Jeevaniya gana*, *Medamahameda* and enlisted above drugs it can be interpreted that some drugs are *Madhur rasa* and *Kashaya rasa*. Almost all drugs are *Madhur vipaka* only *Panchavalkal* are *Katu vipaki*. All drugs possess *Shetaa veerya* except *Karpasa* which is *Ushana* (*Kinchit*) *Veeryatmak*. *Guru*, *Snigdha* are properties of most of these drugs.

Stanya is the *Updhatu* of *Rasa dhatu*. In *stanyakshaya* there is *kshaya* as well as *dushti* of *rasa dhatu*. *Madhur rasa* have *guru*, *sheeta*, *snigdha* properties. It acts as *Vatshamak* with its *guru*, *snigdha guna*. It is *Saptadhatuvardhaka*, *Balyakar*, *Brihana*, so ultimately it increases *Stanya* results into *Stanyavridhi*.

Drugs which having *Katu vipaka* and *ushan veerya* induces *agnidipan*, *aampachan* and also *dhatva agnidipan* by this *strotoshodan Guna* ultimately *dhatu poshan* has been occurred in mothers. In this way proper and *shuddha nirmiti* of *stanya* has been placed which ultimately results into lowering the worst conditions related to PPH and most importantly forming a lifelong bond between mother and her child.

CONCLUSION

Stanyajanan drugs are safer and effective as they are herbs in origin. These drugs are used in stanyakshya cases due to its properties, promotive effect and stimulant of breast milk. Due to these drugs; shudhha stanya resulting into in build immunity of children's which indirectly leads to good progeny.

These drugs have no side effect so it can be used in lactating mothers. Efficacy of these drugs would further be elaborated through Pre-clinical and Clinical studies; which may prove beneficial to the Community.

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