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PHARMACEUTICAL STUDY OF DADIMADYA GHRITA

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ABSTRACT

Diabetes mellitus (DM) is a clinical syndrome characterised by hyperglycaemia due to absolute or relative deficiency of insulin. Several distinct types of Diabetes Mellitus are caused by a complex interaction of genetics and environmental factors. Ayurveda has a great potential in treating diabetes and its associated complications. Among the wide varieties of drugs mentioned in Ayurveda text books Dadimadya Ghrita has been chosen for the study so as to develop standard operating procedure for the same which help in reestablishing its efficacy and inturn contribute. Which may contribute

to the successful treatment of Madhumeha (DM). The formulation of Didimadya ghrita for present study has been taken from Bhaishajya ratnavali written by Govind Das Sen in Prameha rogadhikara. Standardization technique help in monitoring the safety and efficacy of the product. However Ayurveda text books have described the quality control procedures for the raw material. In the present study Dadimadya ghritawas prepared as per classical reference to develop SOP (Standard Operating Procedure).

KEYWORDS: Diabetes mellitus, *Dadimadya Ghrita, Madhumeha, Bhaishajya ratnavali*, Prameha.

INTRODUCTION

The word 'Pharmaceuticals' means a medicinal drug or manufacturing a compound which can thereby be used for medicinal purpose. With a view to obtain maximum therapeutic benefit and make recipe palatable, different pharmaceutical processes are described in Ayurveda. Bhaishajya Kalpana got foundation during Vedic period and the development of these processes, methods starts during the period of *Charak Samhita* which states the basic processing techniques. *Acharya Charak* has named such pharmaceutical processing as "*Samskara*". According to him, *Samskara* brings,, *Gunantaradhana*.^[1] which means assimilation of newer properties.

Sneha kalpana is a technique where *Sneha* are used as a base to get properties of the herbs in the media of *Sneha*. The *Sneha* acts not only as base but also vehicle and class one preservative. The active constituents of the drugs are incorporated into the *Sneha* to make the preparation therapeutically more potent.

In this present study various practical carried out for developing SOP and SMP of *Dadimadya ghrita* in detail.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

To prepare the *Dadimadya ghrita* as per classical reference and to develop SOP (Standard Operating Procedure).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Materials and methods used in this preparation were based on availability, feasibility in classical indication of *RasaShastra*, traditional value and expert opinions. All the raw materials were procured from the N.I.A. pharmacy.

Methods

The following practicals were carried out in pharmaceutical study

- 1. Murchana of Goghrita
- 2. Preparation of Dadimadya Ghrita

Procedure

(1) Murchana of goghrita^[2]

Table 1: Showing ingredients for ghritamurchana.

S. no.	Name of ingredient	Part of Use	Quantity
1	Goghrita	-	2000 g
2	Haritaki	Dried Pericarp	125 g
3	Amalaki	Dried Pericarp	125 g
4	Bihitaki	Dried Pericarp	125 g
5	Musta	Rhizome	125 g
6	Haridra	Rhizome	125 g
7	Matulanga swarasa	Fresh Fruit juice	125 ml.
8	Water	-	8.Liter

2 – 6 drugs were cleaned properly and made into powder separately and passed through 60 no. sieve to obtain moderately fine powder form. To this *Matulunga Swarasa* (obtained by cleaned-cut pieces of *Matulunga* by squeezing it) was added and mixed properly. Finally sufficient quantity of water was added till the mixture become Kalka form. Prepared Kalka was kept for some time for soaking the materials. Then the Kalka dravyas were transferred to the wet grinder and ground with sufficient quantity of water to prepare homogeneous blend.

Table 2: Showing quantity for ghritamurchana 1st sample.

S. No.	Ingredient	Quantity
1	Kalka	950 g
2	Sneha	2000 g
3	Drava	8 litre

Two kg. of Goghrita was taken into a stainless steel vessel and heated over mild heat till it become moisture free. At that time Goghrita was showed disappearance of foam and sounds at 140°C temperature. The vessel which was containing Goghrita was taken out from the heat and allowed to cool to temperature around 70°C, then added prepared Kalka little by little and stirred well, after that again heated with adding mentioned quantity of water. Heated for 3 h with constant stirring maintaining the temperature between 50 degree to 90 degree celcius during the first hour of heating. Heating was stopped and allowed to stand overnight. Next day, heating was started again and the boiling mixture was observed for subsidence of froth. Kalka was constantly checked for the Kalka for formation of varti (madhyama paka lakshana). The varti and Ghrita were exposed to flame and confirmed the absence of crackling sound indicating absence of moisture. Heating was stopped when the Kalka forms a varti and the froth subsides τ The heating process was continued till Sneha Siddhi Lakshana appeared with intermittent stirring on 1st and 2nd day and continuous stirring on 3rd day. After complete appearance of Sneha Siddhi Lakshana the vessel was taken out from the heat and then filtered through muslin cloth to another stainless steel vessel at that time temperature was 80°C. Remaining Kalka part was properly squeezed for extract the ghee which was remaining with Kalka, tested for moisture and added to the bulk. Then some quantity of boiled water was added to the Kalka and kept it to be freeze for 5-6 hours and then the freezed layer of ghee was separated and heat it till become moisture free and then filter it with cotton cloth and added to the bulk. Final product was stored in a clean dry wide mouth PET jar after cooling.

Same process was repeated 3 times for three sample. Each time initial quantity of ghrita was taken 2 kg. for murchana.

(2) Preparation of dadimadya ghrita. [3]

Table 3: Showing ingredients of *dadimadya ghrita* for 1st sample.

S. No.	Name of the drug	Latin Name	Parts Used	Quantity
1	Dadima	Punica granatum	Beeja	26 g
2	Vidanga	Embelia ribes	Phala	26 g
3	Haridra	Curcuma longa	Kanda	26 g
4	Chavya	Piper retrofractum	Moola	26 g
5	Krishna jeerak	Carum bulbocastanum	Beeja	26 g
6	Aamlaki	Phyllanthus embelica	Phalmajja	26 g
7	Baheda	Terminalia bellerica	Phala	26 g
8	Haritaki	Terminalia chebula	Phala	26 g
9	Shunthi	Zingiber officinale	Kanda	26 g
10	Gokshur	Tibulus terrestris	Phala	26 g
11	Yavani	Corum copticum	Beeja	26 g
12	Dhanyak	Coriandrum sativum	Panchanga	26 g
13	Vrakshamla	Garcinia indica	Mooltwaka	26 g
14	Choti pippali	Piper longum	PhaIa	26 g
15	Pippali mool	Pipper longum	Moola	26 g
16	Badar	Zizyphus jujube	Phalmajja	26 g
17	Saindhav Lavana	Rock salt	-	26 g
18	Goghrita	-	-	1753 g

Procedure

1–17 drugs were cleaned properly and each one pounded into fine powder and pass through the sieve no-80. Then water was added till the mixture become semisolid i.e. Kalka form.

Table 4: Showing quantity for dadimadta ghrita 1st sample.

S. No.	Ingredient	Quantity
1	Kalka	438.25 g
2	Sneha (Murchita Ghrita)	1753 g
3	Drava(Jala)	8 liter

Prepared Kalka was kept for some time for soaking the materials. Above mentioned quantity of Murchhita Goghrita was taken into a stainless steel vessel and heated over mild heat till it becomes moisture free. Then prepared Kalka was added little by little and stirred well, after adding the Kalka, temperature was around 60°C, Paka was done for half an hour after that mentioned quantity of water was added. The temperature falls to 50°C when water was added. Heated for 3 hrs and with constant stirring maintaining the temperature between 50⁰-90°C during the first hour of heating. Heating was stopped and Ghrita was allowed to stand

overnight. Heating was started on the next day and boiling mixture was observed for subsidence of froth (Phenashanti) and Kalka was checked constantly for Varti formation (Madhyama Paka Lakshana). The Varti and Ghrita were exposed to the flame and confirmed the absence of crackling sound which indicates the absence of moisture. Heating was stopped when the Kalka forms a Varti and the froth subsides. The heating process was continued till Sneha Siddhi Lakshanas appeared with intermittent stirring on 1st and 2nd day and continuous stirring on 3rd day. After complete appearance of Sneha Siddhi Lakshanas the vessel was taken out from the heat and then filtered through muslin cloth into another stainless steel vessel, at that time temperature was 80°C. Remaining Kalka part was squeezed properly to extract the *Ghee* which was remaining with *Kalka* tested for moisture and added to the bulk. Then some quantity of boiled water was added to the Kalka and kept it to be freeze for 5-6 hours and then the freeze layer of ghee was separated and heat it till become moisture free and then filter it with cotton cloth and added to the bulk. Final product stored in a clean dry glass jar and labeled accordingly.

The above same procedure was followed in next two samples of *Dadimadya Ghrita*.

Photos of pharmaceutical study

1. Kalka dravya





2. Ghrita



Goghrita

3. Dadimadya Ghrita



Dadimadya Ghrita

Observations

Table 5: Showing Sneha Siddhi Lakshana^[4] of Dadimadya Ghrita in all samples.

S. No	Sneha Siddhi Lakshana	Dadimadya Ghrita	Kalka
1	Shabda Hino Agni Nikshipta	+	+
2	Phenodgama	+	-
3	Gandha Varna Rasotpatti	+	-
4	Sanyav Eva Niryase	-	+
5	Madhye Darvi Vimunchati	-	+
6	Vartivat Kalka	-	+

Foam was appeared when *Kalka* was added to the *Ghrita*. *Sneha Paka* completed when crackling sound subsided and *Phenashanti* observed. *Dadimadya Ghrita* which was collected by boiling the *Kalka* was shown some moisture content, hence that was heated on mild heat till it becomes moisture free. *Dadimadya Ghrita* was filtered through cloth by squeezing the *Kalka*, then it was allowed to self cooling and on next day *Ghrita* was filled in dry glass jar.

RESULTS

Table 6: Showing organoleptic characters of goghrita.

S. no.	Organoleptic	Before Murchana	After Murchana	
	Character			
1	Colour	Light yellow	Dark yellow	
2	Odour	Characteristic of	Characteristic of Kalkadravya	
		Goghrita	specially <i>Haridra</i>	
3	Taste	Madhura	Kasaya& slightly Madhura	
4	Appearance	Semi liquid	Semi liquid	

Table 7: Showing total loss of goghritaon murchana.

S. no.	Initial weight	Weight after Loss of		% of loss
		Murchana	Murchana	
1	2000gram	1853gram	147gram	7.35%
2	2000gram	1870gram	130gram	6.5%
3	2000gram	1840gram	160gram	8%

Table 8: Showing results of organoleptic characters of all 3 samples of *Dadimadya Ghrita* (D.G.).

Sample	Colour	Odour	Appearance	Taste
<i>DG</i> 1	Yellowish Green	Characteristic	Semisolid	Characteristic
DG 2	GreenishYellow	Characteristic	Semisolid	Characteristic
<i>DG</i> 3	Green	Characteristic	Semisolid	Characteristic

Table 9: Showing the weight loss of 3 samplesof dadimadya ghrita in sneha paka process.

S. n	Initial weight	Final weight	Loss of	% of loss	Average
			Murchana		loss
1	1753	1673	80	4.57	4.71%
2	1870	1795	75	4.02	
3	1840	1738	102	5.55	

DISCUSSION

Ghrita Murchana has been conducted prior to preparation of Dadimadya Ghrita as a part of Sneha Kalpana. All the drugs for Murchana are taken in its dry form except Matulunga fruit has been taken freshly during the Kalka preparation.

For *Murchana* purpose *Matulunga* (*Citrus medica*) named *Bijora nimbu* in local market is used. All the *Murchana Dravyas* were made into moderately fine powder form and soaked in water one day before *Sneha Murchana* for easier to *Kalka* preparation. They were grind into wet grinder for *Kalka* preparation to make a smooth paste and homogenous.

During *Murchana* when *Goghrita* was subjected to heat in vessel to remove moisture, changes observed in color and consistency of the ghee. Color changes from light to dark yellow and consistency become thinner as compared to cold ghee. Maximum temperature observed at that time was 140°C and 30 minutes were required to make the ghee moisten free. These different observations found may be due to changes in properties of *Goghrita*. When *Goghrita* gets slight cold in its mild hot stage temperature nearly about 70° -80° C *Kalka* was added in little by little quantity to prevent instant frothing in a vessel and continuous stirring was carried out to prevent burning of *Kalka*. After addition of *Kalka* it was observed that the

color of Ghrita get change darker within 5-10 minutes after addition of Kalka after that there has been no *notifiable* change has been observed in color.

Total three days were required to complete the Sneha Murchana. During the Sneha Paka it was observed that max temp of Sneha noted within range of 50°-90° C which has been increased within 90°-95° C as day by day *Paka* was progresses; and 95°-98° C at final stage of the Paka. When Sneha Siddhi Lakshanas were observed the Ghrita has been filtered in its mild hot stage to obtain maximum yield. During the filtration temperature of oil and ghee observed was 60° - 65° C. In Sneha Murchana 7.35% loss was found in Ghrita.

During the pharmaceutical study all the solid and liquid material has been taken in w/w unit; it was to prevent the error in the research. Because the Ghrita has lower specific gravity than water and if it taken in volume unit it's quantity is lower as compared to Liquid media e.g. when we compare 1 liter ghee with 1 liter water the weight difference between them is varying nearly about 70- 100 g that mean 1 liter ghee ranges the weight between 900-930 gm.

After the Ghrita Murchana the Murchita Ghrita was subjected to next procedure i.e Dadimadya Ghrita preparation. Three samples of Dadimadya Ghrita has been prepared with intention to establish SOP & SMP.

All the drugs for Dadimadya Ghrita preparation are taken in its dry form except Vrikshamala has been taken freshly during the *Kalka* preparation.

The quantity of each Kalka Dravya was taken 438.25 g, 468.25 g, 460 g (1/4 part of Sneha) divided by 17 ingredients and water is used 4 Guna of Sneha. All the process of General Sneah Paka was adopted to prepare Dadimadya Ghrita 3 samples preparations. The process was completed within 3 days. The same observations were observed during Ghrita Paka in terms of time & temperature i.e. Ghrita Murchana temp. 60° - 90° c.

CONCLUSION

In present study 3 days were required to complete the *Sneha Paka* and average time duration taken to complete the Sneha Paka was 17-18 Hrs. Time variation in completion of Sneha Paka may depend upon intensity of heat source, different environmental conditions, some manual error like consistency in continuous stirring which effect on evaporating rate of the liquid media. Sneha Paka was carried out on Mandagni. Average loss of Dadimadya Ghrita

formulations observed after completion of *Sneha Paka* was 4.71%. The color of *Dadimadya Ghrita* was yellowish green, greenish yellow and green in the three sample and *Murchitta Ghrita* colour was yellow. It may be due to more phyto constituents absorbed in to the *ghrita*. The observations of present study showed uniformity in the various parameters and the SOP of the same can be considered as a standard for preparation of *Dadimadi ghrita*.

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