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EFFECT OF ABHAYADI MODAKA AND TRINA TAILA IN THE MANAGEMENT OF VICHARCHIKA W.S.R TO ECZEMA

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ABSTRACT

Environmental pollution, mental stress and modern life styles leads to accumulation of toxins in the body and exert their effect in the form of various chronic disorders like Vicharchika which can be compared to Eczema. The chronicity is due to intake of Virudhahara (Incompatible food regimen) and Dooshi visha (Latent or denatured poisons). Hence it is the need of the hour to find out safe and effective medicine for Vicharchika and here comes the role of Ayurveda. The special treatment therapy of Ayurveda provides long lasting results by treating the disease and preventing reoccurrence. Finally gives a better quality of life. In Ayurveda, Shodhana, Shamana and Nidana parivarjana are the principle treatment for any disease. Shamana chikitsa is more preferable in the treatment of Vicharchika1.

INTRODUCTION

Skin diseases affect all segments of the population without ethnic variability but are more prevalent among children and in low

socioeconomic groups, essentially due to poor hygienic practices.

Different studies also suggest that skin infections are more prevalent in extreme climatic conditions.

Eczema/Atopic dermatitis (AD) is a chronic inflammatory skin disease, clinically and histologically very similar to contact dermatitis. AD can occur at any age and has a high prevalence in children. In the past years, the rising interest in this disease has been forced by

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its increasing prevalence in the western societies and its contribution to the worsening of health care costs.^[3]

The existing treatment in modern science for Eczema consists of reassurance, elimination of predisposing causes and palliative measures. It is also said that no specific medication can cure eczema, though few drugs give symptomatic relief only. [6] Modern dermatology employs systemic and local administration of steroids for the management of eczema. [2] Despite an initial response, maintenance therapies with small doses of systemic and topical glucocorticoids usually produce hazardousill-effects. [8] Similarly electrotherapy, ultraviolet therapy, hydrotherapy, X-ray therapy, etc. are having their own limitations and these therapies are neither popular nor much responding.

Vicharchika is enlisted under Kshudra Kushtha in Ayurvedic classics. Hence all type of Kushtha are Tridoshaja, Vicharchika is also having Tridoshaja origin. Despite of its Tridoshja origin various Acharya mentioned different dominancy in Vicharchika. Vicharchika has also been stated as Raktapradoshaja Vikara. Rasa, Rakta, Mamsa and Kleda are dushya of it. A similar clinical presentation in modern dermatology is seen in Eczema.

The clinical presentation of Vicharchika with symptoms like Kandu (Itching), Srava (Discharge), Pidaka (Pustules), Raji (Scratches), Ruja (Pain), Vaivarnyata (Discoloration of skin) etc9. The Eczema is the nearest clinical entity of modern science which can correlate with Vicharchika. Vicharchika shows pathology with vitiation of tridosha, it shows kapha as major vitiation.

In classics of Ayurveda Shodhana, Shamana and Bahiparimarjana Chikitsa explained for Kushta.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

To study the efficacy of *Abhayadi Modaka* with *Trina Taila* with special reference to Eczema.

Review of literature

Evolution is the basic nature of everything whether living or nonliving. This also applies to the science as it also evolves sequentially the chronological order of sequences present itself in the form of history. Hence, while dealing on the disease Vicharchika, it is necessary to look back at the treaties of Ayurveda and various other classics. In various ancient texts skin diseases have been mentioned under different headings like Kushtha, Twaka Roga, Twagamaya and Charma Roga etc. The historical glimpse of the disease Vicharchika is present here as under-

In atharvaveda: The word 'Kushtha' has been defined as "Kutsitarupavarna" and an Aushadhi Dravya, Trivruta (Shyama) has been described as the most effective drug in its management.[15]

Purana kala: Acharya Vedavyasa has written eighteen Purana. Among these 18 Puranas only Agnipurana and Garudapurana have found some references of the Kushtha.

Samhita period

Charaka samhita: Vicharchika included under the Kshudrakushtha

"Sa kandu pidaka shyava bahusrava vicharchika".

Acharya have mentioned Kandu, Pidaka Shyavavarna of Twak and Bahusrava as the Roopa of Vicharchika.

Sushrutha samhita: "Rajyo ati kandu atiruja sa ruksha bhavanti gatreshu vicharchikayam" Sushruthaacharya has described the Kushtha under Mahavyadhi (Ashtamahagada) and Vicharchika is mentioned under Kshudrakushtha as well as Kshudraroga. [3]

Ashtanga Sangraha and Ashtanga Hridaya

"Sa kandupitika shyava lasikadhya vichachika"

The blackish eruptions with intense itching and watery discharge i.e Lasikadhya isreferred as Vicharchika.^[4,5]

Kashyapa samhita. [6]

"Shyama lohitavarna vedana srava pakavati vicharchika"

Blackish brown pustular eruptions with intense itching and pain are termed as Vicharchika. Bhela Samhita^[7]:

"Shyava rakta samuttparna praklirnna sravini tatha, mamsopachita yukta vijneya sa vichachika"

Acharya Bhela has considered Kushtha as Dirgha Roga, Grahanidoshaja Vikara while Vicharchika is mentioned among Raktavyapattija Roga.

Harita samhita

"Kandu vicharchi bhuvane pratita shwetani sukshmani cha patalani"

In Vicharchika lesions are Sukshma, Shweta and Kandu Yukta.

Aim

To study the efficacy of Abhayadi Modaka and Trina taila as external application in the management of Vicharchika.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Materials for study

- Source of data
- 1) Literary source: The Literary data was collected from Central library as well as Kayachikitsa departmental library of BVVS Ayurved Medical College and Hospital, Bagalkot. The data also collected from journals, periodicals and other published works and even from internet source.
- 2) Clinical source: The diagnosed patients of Vicharchika were collected from OPD, IPD and Medical Camps conducted by BVVS Ayurveda Medical College and Hospital, Bagalkot.
- 3) **Drug source:** *Abhayadi Modaka* was purchased and *Trina Taila* was procured from GMP certified Pharmacy.

Collection of materials

A) Drugs

- 1. The drug *Trina Taila* was prepared from Ayur Vikasa Research Center, Gadag.
- 2. The drug *Abhayadi Modaka* and *Kanchanara Guggulu* was purchased from GMP certified Zandu company.

B) Method of preparation

- 1) Method of preparation of *abhayadi Modaka* and *Kanchanara guggulu*: Prepared medicine of *Abhayadi Modaka* and *Kanchanara Guggulu* was purchased from Zandu company.
- 2) Method of preparation of trina taila:^[8] Trina Swarasa -4 parts, Kalka of Manjishta, Kushta, Haridra, Chakramarda, Aragwadha Pallava each 1 part is added in Tila Taila and Taila is preapered asper classics.

Selection criteria

Diagnostic criteria

The diagnosis was made based on Classical sign & symptoms of *Vicharchika* (Eczema) such as

- 1. Kandu
- 2. Pidaka
- 3. Bahusrava
- 4. Shyavarna
- 5. Rukshata

1. Inclusion criteria

- 1. Diagnosed patients of Vicharchika
- 2. Patients between the age group of 18 to 60 of either sex

2. Exclusion criteria

- 1. Patient associated with other types of Kushta
- 2. Varicose Eczema

Methods of collection of data

Study design: Open Labelled Clinical Study.

Sample size: Total number of patients taken for the study will be 20 excluding dropouts.

Drugs

- 1) Abhayadi modaka: Haritaki, Maricha, Shunthi, Vidanga, Amalaki, Pippali, Pippali Moola, Tawak Patra, Musta, Dantimoola, Trivrit, Sharkara, Madhu.
- 2) Trina taila: Trina, Manjishta, Kushta, Haridra, Chakramarda, Aragwadha Pallava.

Methodology

Abhayadi Modaka was prepared as per Sharangadhara Gutika Kalpana and Trina Taila was prepared as mentioned in vangasena Samhita.

Posology

Sl. no.	Aushadhi	Matra	Sevana kala	Anupana
1	Abhayadi	250mg 1	After food at	Sukoshna
1	Modaka	250mg - 1	nightfor 30 days	Jala
2	Trina taila	O C	Morning and at	
2	Trina tana	Q.S	night	-

Assessment criteria

The following pattern was adopted for scoring and grading.

Sl No	Parameters	G_0	G_1	G_2	G_3
				Moderate	Severe
1	Kandu	No Kandu	Mild	(disturbs the	(Disturbs the
				work)	sleep)
2	Pidaka	No	Scanty eruptions	Scanty eruptions	Eruptions all
	eruptions in few lesions		in few lesions	in 50% of lesions	over the lesions
3	Chyananama	Normal	Brownish red	Blackish red	Blackish
3	Shyavavarna	skin color	discolorations	discolorations	discolorations
4	Srava	No discharge	Mild/Little moisture on the skin	Moderate/Dischar ge after scratching	Severe discharge
5	Rukshata	No dryness	Dryness with rough skin	Dryness with scaling	Dryness with cracking

Objective parameters: Easi score^[9]

Area score

% involvement	0	1-9%	10 -29%	30 -49%	50 -69%	70 -89%	90 -100%
Region score	0	1	2	3	4	5	6

Severity score

Redness

 G_0 -No redness

G₁-Mild redness

 G_2 -Moderate redness

 G_3 -severe redness

Thickness/Papulation

G₀-No papulations

G₁-Mild papulations

 G_2 –Moderate papulations

 G_3 –Severe papulations

Excoriations/Itching

G₀-No itching

G₁- Itching present

Lichenification

 G_0 -No lichenification

G₁-Mild lichenification

 G_2 -Moderate lichenification

G₃-Severe lichenification

OBSERVATIONS

Observations was according to the case proforma before, during and after treatment and clinical findings was recorded on 15^{th} and 31^{st} day.

Follow-Up

After completion of the treatment patient was asked for follow-up on 40th day.

Statistical analysis

Statistical analysis was done using Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test, Z test and Paired Sample T test.

Incidence of chief complaints

Crymntoma	Gr	oup A
Symptoms	No	%
Kandu	20	24.39
Pidaka	20	24.39
Bahustrava	10	12.19
Shyavavarna	14	17.07
Rukshata	18	21.95

Grade wise assessment

1. Kandu

	Group A					
Kandu	BT		A	T		
	No.	%	No.	%		
Grade-0	0	0	0	0		
Grade-1	0	0	0	0		
Grade-2	3	15	10	50		
Grade-3	17	85	10	50		
Total	20	100	20	100		

2. Pidaka

	Group A					
Pidaka	В	BT	AT			
	No.	%	No.	%		
Grade-0	0	0	0	0		
Grade-1	0	0	6	30		
Grade-2	8	40	14	70		

Grade-3	12	60	0	0
Total	20	100	20	100

3. Bahusrava

	Group A					
Bahusrava	BT		AT			
	No.	%	No.	%		
Grade-0	10	50	13	65		
Grade-1	3	15	5	25		
Grade-2	5	25	2	10		
Grade-3	2	10	0	0		
Total	20	100	20	100		

4. Shyavavarna

		Group A					
Shyavavarna]	ВТ	AT				
	No.	%	No.	%			
Grade-0	6	30	7	35			
Grade-1	2	10	4	20			
Grade-2	3	15	9	45			
Grade-3	9	45	0	0			
Total	20	100	20	100			

5. Rukshata

	Group A					
Rukshata	BT		A	T		
	No.	%	No.	%		
Grade-0	2	10	3	15		
Grade-1	2	10	7	35		
Grade-2	3	15	10	50		
Grade-3	13	65	0	0		
Total	20	100	20	100		

Overall assessment of result after treatment

Criteria	No of Patients	
Complete remission (Excellent)	100%	00
Marked Improvement (Very Good)	Above 75%	01
Moderate Improvement (Good)	51-75%	02
Mild Improvement (Average)	26-50%	16
No Improvement (Poor)	0-25%	01

DISCUSSION ON RESULTS

1. Kandu- In Group A, statistical analysis on *Kandu* showed that mean score difference was 10.50 and *Kandu* improved by 50.80%. There was a statistically significant improvement with P value of 0.00. *Kandu* reduced in 20 subjects. *Abhayadi Modaka* consists of drugs

- like Shunthi, Maricha, Pippali and Pippali Moola having Katu, Tikta Rasa does Pachana of Ama and acts as Kaphahara and Danti, Trivrit and Haritaki does Vatanulomana by its Rechana property reduces Kandu.
- 2. Pidaka- In Group A, statistical analysis on *Pidaka* showed that mean score difference was 9.00 and *Pidaka* improved by 34.61%. There was a statistically significant improvement with P value of 0.00. *Pidaka* reduced in 17 subjects. *Abhayadi Modaka* possessing *Danti, Trivrit* and *Haritaki* acts as *Pittahara* by its *Rechana Karma* and corrects *Dushita Rakta*.
- **3. Srava-** In Group A, statistical analysis on *Srava* showed that mean score difference was 4.50 and *Srava* improved by 52.63%. There was a statistically no significant improvement with P value of 0.08. *Srava* reduced in 8 subjects. *Abhayadi Modaka* acts as *Kaphahara* by the effects of its *Ushna Veerya* drugs and by the Rechana Property of *Haritaki, Danti* and *Trivrit* it removes *Kledata* and reduces *Srava*.
- 4. Shyava varna- In Group A, statistical analysis on *Shyavavarna* showed that mean score difference was 6.0 and *Shyavavarna* improved by 35.71%. There was a statistically significant improvement with P value of 0.00. *Shyavavarna* reduced in 11 subjects. *Abhayadi Modaka* by its *Rechana* action heals the wound and brings complexion to the Skin by its *Srotoshidhana* action and reduces *Shyavavarna*. *Trina Taila* as explained in the *Samhita* possesses the property of *Varnya and Taila* having *Snigdha Guna* brings complexion to the skin.
- 5. Rukshata- In Group A, statistical analysis on *Rukshata* showed that mean score difference was 9.0 and *Rukshata* improved by 42.53%. There was a statistically significant improvement with P value of 0.00. *Rukshata* reduced in 17 subject. *Trina Taila* reduces the *Rukshata* by its *Snigdha Guna* and helps to maintain *Kledata* of the *Twacha* in turn reduces itching sensation in patients with *Rukshata*.

Probable mode of action of drugs

Abhayadi modaka: The Formulation Abhayadi Modaka is mentioned in Sharangadhara Samhita Virechana Adhikara. Maricha, Shunti, Vidanga, Pippali, Pippali Moola are having Katu, Tikta Rasa which acts as Deepana, amapachana, Krimighna and Kaphahara. Haritaki, Danti and Trivrit are Rechaka Dravyas. By its Rechana property it acts as Kledahara and Kandughna. It also helps in the Raktashodhana by its Rechana property reduces Pidaka and Shyavarna. Thus, it helps in breaking the Dosha-Dushya Sammurchana and Samprapti Vighatana of Vicharchika.

Trina taila: Trina Taila consists of drugs like Manjishta, Kushta, Haridra and Chakramardha. With its property of Ushna Veerya it subsides Sthanika vitiated Kapha. These drugs are having Kushtaghna, Kandughna and Krimihara action and application of Trina Taila does Strotoshodhana. Anti-inflammatory property, anti-ulcer action and anti-microbial action of Haridra, Manjishta, Chakramarda and Aragwadha having property of Kandughna and Vranahara and may help in reducing itching and healing of wound.

Overall effect of the therapy

Out of 20 patients, 12(60%) subjects showed Mild response and 4(20%) subjects showed Moderate response, 3(15%) remained unchanged and 1(5%) showed Marked response.

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