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EFFECT OF PUNARNAVA MANDUR AND DADIMAVLEHA IN HYPOTHYROIDISM INDUCED RAKTALPATA- A CASE STUDY

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ABSTRACT

Thyroid gland does not produce enough thyroid harmone, called hypothyroidism. It is disorder of endocrine system. Modern management is not as much effective & preventive as compared to ayurvedic management. In text of ayurveda, there is no direct reference of hypothyroidism. While analysing signs & symptoms of patient to reach *dosha-dushya sammurchana* & samprapti, we note that there is involvement of all *srotas* but dominantly *Rasavaha srotas*. A single case study of patient 52 years old female newly diagnosed with hypothyroidism presenting symptoms weight gain, stress, *raktalpata*, swelling over face since 3 months and presented in the outpatient

department with major complaints of anaemia i.e. very low Hb levels 7.0gm% on 02/08.2022 undergoing modern treatment of hypothyroidism and after treatment on 01/09/2022 her hb levels are 9.80gm%. Hence ayurvedic drug of choice is more useful and best treatment for *raktalpata* induced by hypothyroidism.

KEYWORDS: Raktalpata, Punarnava mandur, Dadimavaleha, Hypothyroidism, Pandu.

1. INTRODUCTION

Hyppothyroidism is now became lifestyle disorder & very common in today's world. The prevalence of hypothyroidism in India is 10.95%.^[1] The global incidence of disease is also increasing. Weight gain, fatigue, pufffness of face are common symptoms seen today.^[2]

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Sr. No.	Lakshana	Ayurvedic term	Dosha	Guna
1	Weight gain	Shotha, Kleda	Kapha	Sthula
2	Low appetite	Kshudha-mandya	Kapha, Vata	Sheeta, Guru
3	Tiredness	Daurbalya	Vata	Ruksha
4	Body ache	Angamarda	Vata	Chala, Ruksha
5	Laziness	Alasya	Kapha	Manda
6	Palor	Raktalpata	Kapha	

So according to overall lakshanas there is vata-kapha dosha prakopa. And with 'anshansh kalpana' – vata is increasing by its ruksha, chala, sheeta guna. And kapha is increasing by its sheeta, guru, manda guna.

We can get the samprapti as raktalpata is seen due to rasavah srotas dushti. Due to vatakapha dosha prakopa, there is srotorodha and aam utpatti seen. And so the rasadhatwagni mandya & eventually rasavah srotas dushti seen.

Here it indicates the involvement of vata-kapha dosha, rasa dhatu & rasa dhatwagni.

2. CASE DESCRIPTIONS

A 56 years old female newly dignosed with hypothyroidism presenting with anaemia, weight gain, irregular menstrual cycle, swelling over face, excessive sleep, stress since 3 months and presented in out patient department.

ASHTAVIDH PARIKSHAN

Nadi (pulse):- 82/min. Manda nadi, Hansa gati.

Mala (stool):- Irregularity in bowel movements

Mutra (Urine):- Normal

Jeeva (tongue):- Saam

Shabda (speech):- Alpa kshin

Sparsh (skin):- Ruksha

Druk (eyes):- Alpa pitvarni

Akruti:- Sthula

3. AIM

To assess the effect of Punarnava mandur & Dadimavleha combination in management of raktalpata induced by hypothyroidism.

4. OBJECTIVES

Evaluated the effect of *Punarnava mandur, dadimavaleha* in *raktalpata lakshana* induced by hypothyroidism.

5. MATERIALS AND METHODS

5.1 MATERIALS

Sr.No.	Dravya	Dose	Duration	Anupana
1	Punarnava Mandur	500mg	After food	Warm water
2	Dadimavaleha	15ml	After food	

5.2 METHODS

Single case study of patient presenting severe *raktalpata* with hyperthyroidism was selected from out patient department of GAC Osmanabad. Informed consent was taken from patient.

6. DIAGNOSIS

According to ayurveda patient clearly shows symptoms as *rasa dhatu dushti lakshana* & *kapha dosha*. So it was case of *pandu* as patient came with reports of Hb, T3, T4, TSH levels with Hb = 7.00gm%.

7. OBSERVATION AND RESULT

The patient was administered classical internal medication. There is no allopathic treatment going on only *Punarnava mandur & Dadimavleha* combination for *raktalpata* given to patient.

After starting *Punarnava mandur & Dadimavleha* orally her symptoms like fatigue, swelling over face, weakness are started to reduce over course of time. In between medications her condition started to improve. On 02/08/2022 patient's Hb level was 7.00gm% and after 1 month on 01/09/2022 Hb level raised, became 9.80gm%. Significant result observed in subjective and objective criteria.

8. DISCUSSION

There is no direct reference of hypothyroidism in ayurveda text. So according to signs & symptoms the dosha-dushya vikruti is Vata Kapha dosha prakopa and as per 'tar-tam bhava' there is Vata-vruddha- Kaphamandya- Pitta ksheen awastha.

Hence according to vata kaphaj disorder and raktalpata, treatment was given to patient. Ayurveda provides promising treatment for the disease. Also, pathya apathya management is important.

Pathya:- Ahar- Light diet, Dates, Nachani satwa/bhakri, Shingada flour, Rajgira ladoo,
 Dadima juice adviced.

Vihar- Mild exercise- walking for 20 minutes, Ujjayi Pranayama.

• Apathya:- Heavy fried fast food, Day sleep.

9. MODE OF ACTION

9.1 Internal medicine

1) Punarnava Mandur: - Reference (Charak Chikitsa 16/93-95).

Ingredients	Latin name	Proportion
Punarnava	Boerhaavia diffusa Linn.	1 part
Trivrita	Operculina turpethum Linn.	1 part
Shunthi	Zingiber officinale Rosc.	1 part
Maricha	Piper nigrum Linn.	1 part
Pippali	Piper longum Linn.	2 parts
Vidanga	Embalia robusta C. B. Clarke	1 part
Devdaru	Cedrus deodara (Roxb.)	1 part
Kushtha	Saussurea lappa C.B. Clarke	1 part
Haridra	Curcuma longa Linn.	1 part
Daruharidra	Berberis aristata DC.	1 part
Amalaki	Embalica officinalis Gaertn.	1 part
Bibhitaki	Terminalia bellirica Roxb.	1 part
Haritakai	Terminalia chebula Retz.	1 part
Danti	Baliospermum montanum (Willd.)	1 part
Chavya	Piper chaba Hunter.	1 part
Indrayava	Holarrhena antidysenterica (Roxb. ex Flem.) Wall.	1 part
Pippalimula	Root of Piper longum Linn.	1 part
Musta	Cyperus rotundus Linn.	1 part
Chitraka	Plumbago zeylanica Linn.	1 part
Mandura Bhasma	Incinerated red oxide of iron	40 parts
Gomutra	Cow's urine	Q.S.

On looking at the ingredients of Punarnava Mandura,^[4] [Table 1], it may work in above context by its effect on Srotasa (micro channels) and Agni (digestive fire mechanism) by enhancing digestive capacity as a result of their Deepana (appetizer), Pachana (digestive) properties. Hence, thereby curing the disease (Pandu) and promoting immunity of the body.

Mandura Bhasma (incinerate form of iron-Fe2O3), the main component is the activator of the formulation and is the chief responsible component for the pharmacodynamics of Punarnava Mandura. By virtue of Rasa and Guna it pacifies aggravated Pitta and maintains the normalcy, improves the digestion and metabolism. Looking in to the diversified actions, Acharya Charaka says that, Mandura and its preparations are vital in treating cases of Pandu. The ferric and ferrous fractions of Mandura provide sufficient amount of iron to the living matter, which is needed for normal erythropoiesis.^[5]

As Gomutra (Cow's urine) is one ingredient of Punarnava Mandura, it works as Rasayana by its antioxidant property. It has been found to be a very good immune enhancer. [6] Presence of erythropoietin hormone in Cow's urine may be one of the reasons why Gomutra is useful in anemia. Iron present in Cow's urine maintains balance and helps in production of red blood cells and Hb. [7]

According to Ayurvedic literature, most of the drugs in Punarnava Mandura that is Triphala, Trikatu, Chitraka, Vidanga, and Pippalimula are having appetizer, digestive and carminative properties. Hence it improves digestive power and ultimately absorption of nutrition and drug also. The components like Trivrita, Haritaki and Danti act as purgative/laxative which help in relieving constipation mainly found in old age. Haridra, Amalaki, Pippali, Pippali, Punarnava and Trivrita are thought to be Panduhara by various Acharyas. Other drugs that is Amalaki, Danti, Pippali, Punarnava, Kushtha and Daruharidra are documented as drugs which are having immunomodulator and antioxidant properties. Hence, they may have the potential to confer beneficial health effects due to their antioxidant activity and thus useful in anemia.

Amalaki possess antioxidant activity and could be an important dietary source of Vitamin C, which is a powerful water-soluble antioxidant and helps in increasing iron absorption from the gut.^[21] One study on Pippali suggests that, piperine gets absorbed very quickly across the intestinal barrier through the intracellular pathway. It may modulate membrane dynamics due to its easy partitioning thus helping in efficient permeability across the barriers.^[22] In addition Pippali is said to be bio-availability enhancer of the drug,^[23] which further helps in easy assimilation of the drug components. Hence, it counteracts poor digestion and absorption usually reported in patients of anemia. It has also immunomodulator activity. Therefore it improves general health and immunity vigor, luster of the skin etc., in patients having anemia.

Dose: - 2 tablets (500mg) after food BD.

2) Dadimavaleha:- Dadimadi ghruta reference (Charak Chikitsa 16)

• Tejpatra :- Cinnamomum tamala

• Aardrak :-Zingiber officinale

• Dadim :- Punica granatum

Jatiphal :- Myristica fragrance

• Miri :- Piper nigrum

• Dalchini :- Cinnamomum zeylanicum

Sugar

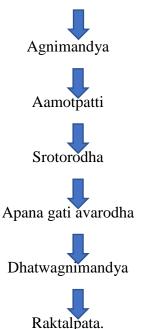
It is the formulation which has dadima as main ingredient which can act in raktalpata. Overall formulation acts on agnimandya, aruchi, raktalpata as in rasavah srotas dushti lakshanas.

Dose:- 15ml after food BD.

SAMPRAPTI

Probable mode of samprapti & samprapti bhanga

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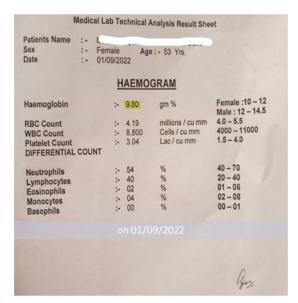
10. CONCLUSION

Panduta can be very well managed by ayurvedic principles depending upon the severity. In case of hypothyroidism, it should be ruled out at opd level as its most prevalent disorder. We

not only can manage or normalize the level but can correct them. No side effects or any complications were seen, because patient very well tolerated the treatment.

Ayurvedic medicine are requested to prescribe without any fear because it is showing its worthiness. Thus such condition can be managed effectively with the help of ayurvedic principles.





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