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CONCEPT OF AVARANA & ITS CLINICAL PRESENTATIONS

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ABSTRACT

Vatadosha is the gatyatmak dravya within the sharir. Hence its normal gati is hampered or vitiated, thus vata becomes avrutta. The route of vatadosha gets covered either by the other two doshas, any of the Saptadhatus or the Trimalas result in Avarana. One tiny proportion of vatadosha may also cause Avarana of the other. The individual fractions of vata like prana, udana etc. also may get affected by Avarana. Diagnosis of Avarana by Nidana, Purvaroopa, Rupa, Upashaya & Anupashaya. In most of the vatavyadhi we failed to identify the purvarupa as it is in avyakta avastha so here rupa play major role. Margavarana denotes pathological process likes Margavarana by Kapha or Pitta dosha Results in Rasavaha srotodushti and Rasadidhatukshaya at different sites of body. Margavarana by Kapha/Meda at limbs results in Peripheral vascular disease (Vatarakta) and Margavarana by Pitta/Rakta at limbs results

in Vasculitis (*Vatarakta*). Clinical presentation of *Avarana* may be either Insidious or Sudden Depending on underlying cause. But, Clinical manifestation is always sudden. *Vayu* is life, strength, sustainer of the creatures, entire world, and master of all activities. Physician knowing the status of *Dosha* and *Avarana* never finds confusion in the treatment.

KEYWORDS: Avarana, Margavarana, AavrutVatadosha, Srotodushti.

INTRODUCTION

There are main two factors which is responsible for aggravation of *vata* namely *dhatukshya* (depletion of tissue elements) and *margavrana* (obstruction in channels). Due to subtle nature of *vata* it enters the minute channels. *Vata* being aggravated carries remaining two *doshas* to

different places and manifest diseases wherever it stuck in occluded channels. Along with it dries up the *rasadi dhatus*.^[1]

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Definition (*Paribhasha*)

Avarana is one which causes avarodha i.e. covering or enveloping.^[2] when increased Pitta, Kapha, Dhatu or Mala obstruct the pathway of Vata leading to its Prakopa, and then this condition is termed as Avarana of Vata.

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Etymology (Shabdkosha)

The word *Avarana* means *Avarodh* or *Gatinirodh* i.e. obstruction to the normal movement of vata.

Avarya: if vata occluded by another powerful vata, then occlude one i.e. avarya loses its functions.

Avaraka: is one which occludes the other and there will be increase in its functions.

Which indicate Weaker Dosha as Aavruta or avarya, Stronger Dosha as Aavaraka.

Avarana Bheda (Types)

According to *acharya vagbhata* opinion innumerable varieties *avarana* to *vayu* explained.^[3] Total 44 types of described in ayurved are follows.^[4]

1. Anyonyavarana of vatadosha - 20 Occlusion among sub types of vatadosha

2. Doshavrtavata - 13

Occlusion of vatadosha by pitta and kapha.

3. Dhatvavrtavata - 7

Occlusion of *vatadosha* by *dhatus*.

4. Anna and malavrtavata - 3

Occlusion of *vatadosha* by food, urine & stool.

5. Amavrtavata - 1

Occlusion of vatadosha by ama.

Pathogenesis of Avarana

In a four way we can found pathogenesis of avarana is arising.

- 1. Obstruction in normal pathway
- 2. Encapsulation *vata* being encaged by others by producing the symptoms.
- 3. Inhibition of Movements When two vayus comes in conflict, then stronger vayu adversely affects the function of weak vayu and thus avarana is produced.
- 4. Constriction Bronchial Asthma, Vasospasm
- 5. Dilatation Emphysema

Symptoms complex Avarana

The symptoms manifestation is combined of Avaraka and Avruta. Symptoms produced are based on the principles of Karmavruddhi, Karmahani, Anyakarma which is Depend upon the intensity of Obstruction that is Partial or complete, Acute or chronic, functional or organic.

Thus when the Avarana will take place it means it will hinder the following karma

- Samvahana
- Pariyahana
- Chavan
- Pargamana
- Sravana
- Visyandana etc.

Diagnosis of Avarana

We can diagnose avarana by several factors such as

- By Nidana
- Purvaroopa
- Rupa
- Upashaya & Anupashaya

Acharya sushruta mentioned that the differential diagnosis between kevalavata, sansargajavata, and Avrutavata can be made on the basis of their symptoms by applying the reason.

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Margavarana denotes pathological process

- Margavarana by Kapha or Pitta dosha results in Rasavaha Srotodushti. [5]
- *Margavarana* by *Kapha/Meda* at limbs results in *Vatarakta* Peripheral vascular disease.
- Margavarana by Pitta/Rakta at limbs results in Vatarakta Vasculitis. [6]
- Margavarana by Kapha or Pitta doshaat Basti region (kidney) results in Mootroukasada
 Diabetic nephropathy or Nephrotic syndrome / Glomerulo nephritis.^[7]
- Margavarana by Kapha or Pitta doshaat Hridaya (Heart) results in Hrithshoola –
 Coronary artery disease by atherosclerosis, dyslipidemia / Hypertension, Chronic inflammatory disease, persistent raised uric acid.^[8]
- Margavarana by Kapha/Meda at Shiras results in Vatavyadhi/ Pakshaghata Ischemic stroke.^[9]
- Margavarana by Kapha/Meda at Mano adhistana Shiras results in Vataja Unmada –
 Organic psychiatric disease. [10]

Avarana explains clinical presentations of different disease condition

- Annavritvata: Gastric ulcer, Colic abdominal pain.
- *Mutravritvata*: Autonomic neuropathy specifically neurogenic bladder may present with *Mootraateeta*, *Vatabasti* etc. symptoms.
- *Purishavritvata*: Autonomic neuropathy specifically Neurogenic Bowel dysfunction.
- *Raktavritvata*: Localized inflammatory process Sensory neuropathy
- *Mamsavritvata*: Localized tumor
- *Medavritvata*: Non-inflammatory swelling mostly of joints
- Asthyavritvata: Carpal tunnel Syndrome
- *Majjavritvata*: Tonic Seizures
- *Shukravritvata*: Ejaculatory Dysfunction
- *Pittavritvata*: Acid peptic disease, Encephalopathy
- *Kaphavritvata*: Peripheral vascular disease^[11]
- Samanavritapan: Mal absorption syndrome Irritable bowel syndrome.
- *Apanavritvyana*: Chronic diarrhea, Polyuria, Hyperspermia. [12]

Mode of Onset

Clinical presentation of *Avarana* may be Insidious, Gradual and Sudden Depending on underlying cause.

The process of development of *Margavarana* may be gradual. But, Clinical manifestation is always sudden.^[13]

Clinical Importance

- The information of *Avarana* reflects pathology of manifested disease. E.g. *Pakshaghaata* may be due to *Kevalavata*, *Samsrutavata* or *Avritavata*, the *Samprapti* varies from each other. Thereby helps in *Samprapti Vighattana Chikitsa*.
- Correct Diagnosis of disease can be made by the knowledge of *Avarana* concept. E.g. *Madhumeha* it may be due to *Avaranajanya* or *DhatuKshayajanya*.
- Complications can be prevented by early and proper diagnosis. E.g. If *Udaanavruta Prana* left undiagnosed ends up in death.
- Prognosis of the disease can be improved. E.g. In *Vataraakta* (Gout) by the application of treatment we can prevent the complications like *Kotha*.

CONCLUSION

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Physician knowing the status of *Dosha* and *Avarana* never finds confusion in the treatment.^[14]

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