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A CLINICAL CASE STUDY IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PANDU ROGA (IRON DEFICIENCY ANAEMIA) THROUGH BASTI KARMA

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ABSTRACT

Pandu Roga can be correlated with anaemia in modern science. In Ayurveda, it is the Vyadhi of Rasavaha Srotas. The clinical features of Pandu Roga are: - Panduta (paleness of skin and mucosa), Karnakshweda (tinnitus), Hataanala (loss of appetite), Shwasa (breathlessness), Bhrama (vertigo), Gatra Shoola (bodyache), and Hriddrava (palpitations). Among various types of anaemia, Iron deficiency anaemia is commonly seen in children and females and at the same time when there is low serum ferritin in the body. It is a major public health problem worldwide with estimation of 1 billion people being iron deficient. Ayurveda is the science of life which not only cures but eradicates the root cause of the disease from the body. Thus, a case of Pandu (Iron deficiency anaemia) was studied, diagnosed and Panchakarma treatment was given to the patient.

KEYWORDS: Pandu Roga, Ayurveda, Rasavaha Srotas, Iron deficiency anaemia, Panchakarma.

INTRODUCTION

Pandu Roga is described by all Ayurvedic Acharyas in their Samhita as an independent disease with its pathogenesis and treatment. A detailed description of Pandu Roga is found in almost all Ayurvedic Samhitas. Pandu Roga is known from the Vedic period. According To *Acharva Charaka* in this disease the *Twaka* of patient is discoloured as Pandura Varna so it is named as Pandu Roga. [1] in the pathogenesis of Pandu Roga, Pitta is Prakupita by Nidana Sevan and it expelled by Hridaya through Dasha Dhamani by powerful Vata which further vitiate Vata, Rakta, Kapha, Twak, and Mamsa Dhatu which results Pandur Varnata and ultimately developed Panduroga. [2] The clinical features of Pandu Roga are [3]-Panduta (paleness of skin and mucosa), Karnakshweda (tinnitus), Hataanala (loss of appetite), Shwasa (breathlessness), Bhrama (vertigo), Gatra Shoola (bodyache), and *Hriddrava* (palpitations). In modern science it can be co-related with Anaemia. Anaemia usually refers to a condition in which blood cells has a lower than normal in numbers. The symptoms of iron deficiency anaemia are depended on severity not on the aetiology clinical features are fatigue, tiredness, shortness of breath, confusion, and loss of appetite etc.

CASE REPORT

Name- XYZ

Age- 50 Yrs. Gender- Female

Residence-Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS

A 50 Years female patient came with the complaint of generalized weakness and pain in all over body for three years.

Associated with the complaint of Breathlessness while waking and loss of appetite, she took some other medications but not get relief so she came to Patanjali Bhartiya Ayurvigyan Evam Anusandhan Sansthan Haridwar for her further treatment.

HISTORY OF PAST ILLNESS

No such relevant past history found.

PAST SURGICAL HISTORY

No such relevant past surgical history found.

FAMILY HISTORY

No any family member having same complaint.

PERSONAL HISTORY

Ahara: pure vegetarian diet. **Appetite:** loss of appetite.

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Dominance of Rasa: Katu tikta.

Kostha: Kroora. Nidra: Alpa.

Addiction: no addiction.

GENERAL EXAMINATION

Built: Moderate. **BP:** 110/70. **Pulse:** 70.

Temperature: 98.7°F.
Tongue: Coated.
Pallor: Present.
Icterus: Absent.
Cyanosis: Absent.

SYSTEMIC EXAMINATION RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

- Breathlessness present after walking
- Bilateral symmetrical
- No abnormal sound detected

CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM

- S1 and s2 heard normally
- No added sounds heard

GASTROINTESTINAL SYSTEM

- Shape- scaphoid
- Umbilicus placed centrally
- Bowel sound- regular
- No organomegaly detected

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

- Well conscious
- Well oriented with the time, person and place
- Reflexes are normal

ASTAVIDHA PARIKSHA

- 1. Naadi: 70/min (Vatapittaja)
- 2. Mala: Ruksha
- 3. Mutra: Prakrut 4-5 times/day
- 4. Jihva: Sama
- 5. Sparsha: Sheeta and Ruksha
- Shabda: Prakrita
 Akruti: Madhyama
 Drik: Pandura yarna

SAMPRAPTI GHATAKA

- 1. Dosha- Pitta Pradhana Tridoshaja Vyadhi^[4]
- 2. Dushya- Rasa, Rakta, Mamsa, Meda and Ojas^[5]
- 3. Agni- Jathragni, Rasagni, Raktagni
- 4. Agnidushti- Mandagni
- 5. Srotasa- Rasavaha and Rakta Vaha
- 6. Srotodushti- Sanga and Vimargagamana
- 7. Udbhava Sthana- Aamashaya and Hridaya
- 8. Sanchara Sthana- Whole Body by Vyana Vayu
- 9. Vyakta Sthana- Twaka, Nakha, Netra, Mamsa
- 10. Adhisthana- Sarva Shareera
- 11. Swabhava- Chirkari

TREATMENT PLAN

After the *Samyaka Pariksha* of *Roga* and *Rogi*, it was found that her *Jathragni* was *Manda*. Therefore, instead of providing her only medicines, *Basti Chikitsa* for 8 days was planned for all round benefit.

SHODHANA CHIKITSA BASTI CHIKITSA- (BRUHMANA)

Ingredients of Basti

- 1. Makshika (honey)- 30ml
- 2. Saindhava lavana-8gm
- 3. Sneha- Go ghrita 50ml
- 4. *Kalka* Nutrela natural iron complex capsules- 10 capsule + *Purnarva Churna*+ wheatgrass powder-total 25 gm
- 5. *Kwatha* Immunogrit *Kwatha* (Divya pharmacy)-50 ml+ *Manjistha Kwatha* + *Punarnava Kwatha* 50 ml total 100 ml.
- 6. Avapa.
- Carrot Juice- 30ml
- Beetroot juice- 30ml
- Aloe vera juice- 30ml
- Pomegranate juice- 30ml
- Spinach juice- 30ml

OBSERVATION AND RESULT

Before treatment- (CBC- complete blood count)

TEST NAME	VALUE	UNIT
Haemoglobin	7.0	g/dl
Total leucocyte count	7530	/cumm
Total RBC count	3.02	Millions/cumm
Haematocrit	24.3	%
MCV	80.5	fL
MCH	23.2	Pg
MCHC	28.8	Gm/dl
Platelet count	4.15	Lakh/cmm
RDW	19.4	Fl
DLC		
Neutrophil	79	%
Lymphocyte	15	%
Eosinophil	01	%
Monocyte	05	%
Basophil	00	%

After treatment- (CBC- complete blood count)- After 8 days of treatment.

TEST NAME	VALUE	UNIT
Haemoglobin	7.9	g/dl
Total leucocyte count	8680	/cumm
Total RBC count	3.37	Millions/cumm
Haematocrit	27.4	%
MCV	81.3	fL
MCH	23.4	Pg
MCHC	28.8	Gm/dl
Platelet count	5.39	Lakh/cmm
RDW	19.4	Fl
DLC		

Neutrophil	77	%
Lymphocyte	17	%
Eosinophil	02	%
Monocyte	04	%
Basophil	00	%

DISCUSSION

Pandu can be managed very well in Ayurveda by both Shodhana and Shamana therapy. the clinical features of iron deficiency anaemia are mainly due to reduction of haemoglobin level and less supply of oxygen to the tissues of body. Here with the aid of Basti intervention, there is increase in haemoglobin levels, body tissues get proper oxygen supply and improves the metabolism and digestion of patient, ultimately relief in her clinical features is observed. Some vegetables and fruits which are beneficial in Pandu have also been mentioned in Bhaishajya Ratnavali, some of them are used in this Basti as Kalka, Kwatha and Avapa Dravya.

CONCLUSION

Basti Chikitsa can cure Pandu Roga in momentary short span of time due to its unique properties and mode of action. On the basis of the case study, it can be concluded that the Basti Chikitsa (Bruhmana) is significantly effective in the management of Pandu Roga (iron deficiency anaemia).

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