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PANCHNIDANATMAK STUDY OF VATAJA PRATISHYAYA W.S.R ALLERGIC RHINITIS

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ABSTRACT

Allergic Rhinitis becomes very common problem in now days. Patient who suffers with this aliment has symptoms like stuffy nose, continuous sneezing, red itchy and watery eyes and swelling around the eyes. All these symptoms are very much similar to Vataja pratishvava which is a type of *Pratishyaya* in Ayurvedic texts. This problem become serious when it hamper the patient daily routine. Allopathic medicine only gives symptomatic relief. Ancient science Ayurveda always focus on the route cause so that we can find an effective treatment plan. To find the root cause of disease it is very necessary to do the Panchnidanatmak study of Vataja Pratishyaya.

INTRODUCTION

Pratishyaya is one of the most important diseases in our Ayurvedic text. It describes under Nasa roga (disease related to nose). It happens due to the vitiation of three Dosha i.e., Vata, Pitta, Kapha. वातं प्रति अभिमुखं श्यायो गमनं कफादीनां यत्र स

प्रतिश्याय । (डल्हण)

Disease defined as the secretion produced by the vitiation of *Vata, Kapha* flow through the nose.^[1]

Importance of Pratishyaya Allergic Rhinitis

Pratishyaya is the causative condition for all the other disease of nasal cavity and hence it is explained with priority of Nasa rogas.

Pratishyaya is the only disease explained in Shalakva tantra which develops complication even before the sign and symptoms occur, hence if treated when the *Pooravaroops* are seen, the further pathology can be stopped.^[2]

Allergic Rhinitis

Over the last decades allergic rhinitis represents a global health issue affecting between 10%-25% of world population and with increasing prevalence day by day.

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Over 400 million people suffer from allergic rhinitis around the world, which to a large extent remains under-diagnosed and undertreated. In the United States it affected between 10-30% of adult general population and up to 40% of children, making it fifth most common chronic disease. The disease is not life threatening but significantly affect quality of life due to its symptoms which hamper routine activity of the patient. If these symptoms are ignored or not cured properly the complication may be very severe.^[3,4]

Nidana of Pratishyaya: Nidana is the causative factors of the disease. Knowledge of Nidana helps in identifying the cause of the disease. If the Nidan is not identified we can't isolate them and can't stop the disease from worsening.^[5]

Aharaja	Viharaja	Mansika
Mandagni	Vega sandharana	Atikrodh
Ajeerna, Vishmasana	Rajahdhumarasevan	
Atijalpan after meal	Atisambhasanam	
Ati guru Madhura sheet ruksha sevan	Shirsoabhitapam	
Atisheetambupaan	Divasyanam	
	Atap sevan, Snan in Ajiran	

Pooravaroopa of Pratishvava: Before the manifestation of disease proper there are few features seen in patient which are manifested prodromal to

disease. Such symptoms are called as *Poorvarupa*. These prodromal features help to know the *Dosha* responsible for that particular disease but not the nature of forthcoming disease.^[6]

- *Shirogurutvam* (heaviness in head)
- Kshvathu pravatanam (sneezing)
- Angamarda (body ache)
- Parihristaromta (generalized horripilation)^[7]

Roop of Pratishyaya: Roopavastha is the succeeding stage of *Poorvarupa*. The symptoms which are vague or unclear in *Poorvarupa* become completely and clearly manifested in *Rupa avastha*. When the disease is fully manifested it exhibits particular to disease. By looking at those signs and symptoms physician will diagnose the disease and also plan for the treatment accordingly. *Rupa*'s of *Vataja pratishyaya* are:^[8]

- Aandha Pihita nasa (nasal obstruction & stuffiness)
- Tanusarava pravartini (watery nasal discharge)
- *Galtalvoshoth shoshach* (dryness in throat, palate, lips)
- *Nistodah shankhyostatha dant, Sankh sirovyatha* (pricking sensation in region of temples)
- Swaropghata (hoarseness of voice)
- *Kshawathu* (sneezing)
- *Gharanatitoda* (painful sensation in nose)^[9]

Allergic Rhinitis is an IgE mediated hypersenstivity reaction of nasal airways characterized by sneezing, itching and watery nasal discharge. Symptoms of the disease are:

Excessive nasal discharge, Excessive Sneezing, Itching in nasal cavity, eye and throat, nasal congestion and obstruction, conjuctival congestion, middle ear effusion.^[10]

Samprapti of Pratishyaya

रोगा सर्वेऽपि मन्देऽग्नौ । (अ. हृ. नि 12/1) [11]

Impaired *Agni* is the root cause of many diseases. Similar to any other disease, the manifestation of *Pratishyaya* begins from *Agnimandhya* due to the multiple etiological factors like *Vegadharana, Vishmashna, Atijalpana* after food, ultimately *Mandagni* leads to the formation of *Ama*.

This *Ama* in turn vitiates *Vata doshas* which carry *Kapha, Pitta* towards the head expels from nostril cause *Pratishyaya*. *Pooravroop* of *Pratishyaya* like *Angamarda, Shirogurutava, Lomaharsha* clearly show this association of *Ama* with *Pratishyaya*.^[12]

Pathophysiology: Nasal mucosa has rich blood supply which is similar to the erectile tissue that has venous sinusoids surrounded by smooth muscle fibers sympathetic stimulation causes vasoconstriction and shrinkage of mucosa while parasympathetic stimulation causes not only excessive secretion from the nasal gland but also vasodilation and engorgement. Atomic nervous system which supplies nasal mucosa is under control of hypothalamus therefore emotions play a significant role.^[13]

Upashyaya: When a patient is relived of symptoms and feel comfortable by the diet, daily regimen and medicine, then these relieving factors are called as *Upasaya*. The relief should not be temporary. The symptoms should be reduced permanently. Here is some *Upashyaya* of *Pratishyaya*. ^[14]

Haridra Khand: Haridra khand dominant Rasa is Katu having properties like Ghranam asravayati, Shwayathu anupahanti, Krimihinasti, Marga vivrinoti helps a lot to reduce the sign and symptoms of Vataj pratishvava. The dominant *Guna* in this drug is *Laahu* that help in reduction of heaviness. Again Laghu guna relieves the edema of nasal mucosa and clears the osteo-metal complex. Hridra khand has Ushan virya which help to reduce Kapha and Vata dosha i.e., over secretions. Katu vipaka of drug also has same action as Katu Rasa. Hridra khand most of the drug having Agnivardhak, Deepan, Pachan properties help to reduce Ama which we discussed in Samprapti. This is having Rasayana, Ieevaniva, Balava. Brimhaniva, Dhatu poshaka properties indirectly increases the *Pratishyaya Vyadhi* kshamatva result from vitiation of Vata and Kapha. Various ingredients of *Haridra Khand* having *Vata* properties.^[15,16] Kapha shamaka In modern prospective, most of ingredients of Haridra Khanda are proved as anti-inflammatory, analgesic, antipyretic, antioxidant. immunostimulator, anti-histaminic pharmacologically.^[17]

Langhana: यत्किंचिल्लाघवकरं देहे तल्लङ्घनं स्मृतम् ।

The procedures or a substance which create lightness in the body is called *Langhana*. The substances which carry out the function of *Langhana* have qualities of *Laghu*, *Ushana*, *Tikshana*, *Vishada*, *Sukshma*, *Khara*, and *Sara Kathina* in characteristics. The classics mention 10 varieties of *Langhana* which further divided in to two types.

- 1. Shodhana (5 types Vamana, Virechana, Nasya, Niruha basti, Raktamokshna)
- Shamana (Pachan, Deepana, Kshut, Trishna, Vyayama, Atopa, Maruta).
 Rogi, Rogi Bala, Roga are the basic criteria for Langhana.^[18]

As Aacharya Chakradutta said

अक्षिकुक्षिभवा रोगाः प्रतिस्यायव्रणज्वराः । पञ्चेते पञ्चरात्रेण प्रशमं यान्ति लङ्घनात् ॥

Pratishyaya can be treated well by using *Langhna* for 5 *ratris*. In *Pratishyaya, Ama* is the main cause of vitiation of *Doshas. Ama* can be removed by *Deepan*

Pachana drvya. Because if disease is in *Saama Avastha* these *Lanhna* types shows effective result.^[19]

Nasya karma

The word *Nasya* is derived from '*Nasa' Dhatu* which conveys a meaning of '*Gati*'. Here the *Gati* is towards the nose, nasal accessories and to head proper.

"नासा ही शिरसो द्वारं"

As per *Charak* and *Vagbhat*, *Nasa* is gateway of *Shira*. The drug administered through nose as *Nasya* reaches to brain and eliminates morbid *Doshas* responsible for disease.

As per *Sushrut 'Shringataka marma'* is *Sira marma* present in middle of confluence of *Siras* supplying nourishment to nose, ear, eyes tongue. *Nasya* is one of the *Panchkarma* mentioned in Ayurveda. *Nasya karma* is a therapeutic procedure where drug are administered through nose in specific manner to cure *Pratishyaya*. As nose is gateway of head the therapy cleanses and open channels of head thereby improving process of oxygenation (*Prana*) which has direct influence on functioning of brain.^[20]

Jalneti

Application of *Jalaneti* is the chief *Shodhana* procedure because it can expel the deep seated *Doshas* and can cure it of its root. The *Saindhav lavan* we use in *Jal neti* having *Laghu tikshana guna* it spread through channels and clears the accumulated *Doshas*. Due to warm saline water it act as vasodilator, local cleanser and immunity booster and warm water work as anti inflammatory action in nasal mucosa. It has soothing effect which helps to prevent headache. When a person practices *Jata neti*, it removes all the mucus from the blocked nasal passages, which helps to breathe easily and carry more oxygen to the lungs, without any obstruction. *Neti* improve sensitivity of olfactory nerves, helping to restore lost sense of smell.^[21]

Upadrava

उपद्रवस्तु खलु रोगत्तरकालजो रोगाश्रयो रोग एव स्थूलोऽणुर्वा, रोगात् पश्चाज्जायत इत्युपद्रवसंज्ञः।

Complication is a disease which produced after the formation of the main disease and is dependent on the main disease. $\ensuremath{^{[22]}}$

Peenas, Indriyavikara, Badhirya, Andhatva, Ghranavikara, Darunanetra, Kasa, Shotha. Acharaya Madhavakara said Pratishyaya if not treated lead to Kasa, and again lead to Kshaya.^[23]

CONCLUSION

Ayurveda is science of healing because it always works on root cause to eliminate the disease from root. In *Panchnidanatamk* study, first we have to focus on *Nidan parivarjana* to stop the progression of the disease. As we know Ayurvedic formulations are

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