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CONCEPT OF UPADRAVA AND ITS APPLICATION

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ABSTRACT

Upadrava are complication which manifests after the manifestation of diseases. When the disease is not treated properly and indulging in the same *nidana*, in the *vyakta* stage of the disease, *upadrava* manifests. On the basis of severity and number of *upadrava*'s present in the diseases it is classify into two types i.e. *Sthoola* and *Anu. Upadrava*'s plays very important role in Diagnosis, Prognosis and Treatment of the diseases. Hence in the present article an effort is made to understand the concept of *upadrava*, its relation with *kriyakala*, *vyadhi*, *nidanarathakara roga*, and its role in *chikitsa*.

Keywords: Chikitsa, Kriyakala, nidanarathakara roga, Upadrava, Vyadhi.

INTRODUCTION

Hetu, Linga and Aoushada are the three sutras of Ayurveda these are explained for swastha and atura. Roga is defined as a status of body or mind which exerts ruja (pain or discomfort either bodily or mentally or both). Vyadhi term is used synonymously for roga. Vyadhi's are classified as Swatantravyadhi and Paratantra vyadhi. Vyadhi is a process, in which the symptoms which manifests before the vyadhi are called as *poorvaroopa* and after the disease manifestation of vyadhi are called as the *Upadrava* i.e. complications. The origin of upadrava is either due to improper management of disease or the continuation of vyadhi nidanas. Hence management of upadrava is having at most importance or significance in Ayurveda. So an attempt is made to analyse and understand the *Upadrava* in this paper.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE:

Definition

Upadrava's are those which develop after the manifestation of main disease or during the disease process itself, which implies *upadrava* manifests in the disease process itself but at the end of it.¹

Synonyms:

Upadrava-That which arises after development of the disease.

Aoupasargika²-That which is produced from the disease.

Classification:

Direct explanation about types of *upadra-va* is not available in texts. But *Acharya Charaka* while explaining *visarpa chikitsa* explains two types of *upadrava's* for *visarpa vyadhi* on the basis of number as well as severity, which can be considered for all the diseases on the basis of *Pradesha Tantrayukti*, they are

1. Sthoola: If the disease having more in number and severe (in stage) complications then it is known as sthoola upadrava.

- E.g.; 1) Visarpa has upadrava's like Praklinna, shirnasnayushiramamsa, shava gandha.³
- 2) Vrana has upadravas like Visarpa, pakshaghata, sirastamba, apatanaka, mohaunmada, rujavrana, jwara, trishna, hanu graham, kasa, chardi, atisara, hikka, shwasa and vepatu⁴.
- **2. Anu:** If the disease having less in number and less severe complications then it is known as *anu upadrava*.
- E.g.; 1) *Trishna* has *upadravas* like *Jwara*, *moha*, *kshaya*, *kasa*, *shwasa*⁵.
- 2) Hrudroga has upadravas like Bhrama, klama, sada and sosha⁶.

Specific Characteristics of *Upadrava*

- 1) These generally subside once the main disease is cured.
- 2) It modifies the course of the disease leading to worse condition because it is manifested in the patient, who is already debilitated due to affliction by main disease.
- 3) Rogamadhyakalaja it means upadrava'smanifests in the course of disease after the actual symptoms. Here one can observe difference between lakshana and upadrva. Lakshanas of the disease are which manifests early and the latter one manifest after the lakshanas, so upadravas are known as rogottarakalaja.
- **4)** It is mentioned as *Rogasraya* because the manifestation of *upadrava* needs the *Doshas* which were responsible

- for origin of main disease i.e the cause of *upadrava* and *vyadhi* are same.
- 5) When compared with *moolavyadhi*, *upadrva's* become *apradhana* because the *chikitsa of moola vyadhi* leads to alleviation of *upadrava too*. *Upadrava's* should is treated immediately because due to the main disease patient is become *dhurbala*, if he develops *upadrava* means he further looses strength in turn it is more difficult to treat⁷.

Relation between *Upadrava* and *kriyaka-la*

Sanchaya, prakopa, prasara, sthanasamsraya, vyaktha and bhedha are types of Kriyakala. Sanchaya is the stage in which *vruddhi* of the *dosha* takes place in its own site, in prakopa avastha dosha further aggravates, in prasara stage deterioration of the dosha from one place to another place happens. This deterioted dosha gets lodges in one place this stage is called sthanasramshaya stage and poorvarupa of the vyadhi develops. In vyakta stage further dosha – dushayasammurchana takes place and actual symptoms of the disease develop. In the bhedha stage there is specific group of symptoms of disease are manifests according to dosha i.e doshic difference of the vyadhi can be done. In this stage if the disease is not treated properly and/or further indulgence of same nidana produces Upadrava⁸.

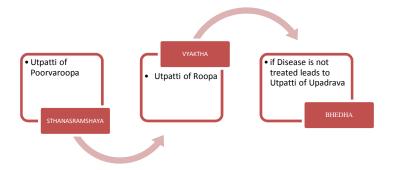


Fig.1 shows the relation between *Upadrava* and *Kriyakala*.

Difference between Upadrava and Nidanathakararoga

| Upadava | Nidanarthakararoga |
|---|---|
| 1) Upadrava is the complication of a | 1) Nidanarthakararoga's are those where in one |
| disease develops after improper treat- | disease is serve as etiology for another disease. |
| ment of the disease. | |
| 2) It is not considered as separate dis- | 2) It is considered as separate disease. |
| ease. | |
| 3) Treatment is given to moola vyadhi | 3) Treatment is given to <i>Nidanarthakara roga</i> . |
| and in severe cases treatment is given to | |
| upadrava alone. | |

Difference between *Upadrava* and *Vyadhi*⁹

| Sl. no | Upadrava | Vyadhi |
|--------|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | Upadrava dependent on vyadhi for its mani- | Vyadhi can develop independently. |
| | festation. | |
| 2 | Does not have its own nidana, samprapti | Have its own nidana, samprapti and |
| | and <i>chikitsa</i> . | chikitsa. |
| 3 | Treatment of the moola vydhi cures upadra- | Needs vyadhi pratyanika or dosha |
| | va. Sometime it needs specific treatment. | pratyanika or both forms of chikitsa. |

Difference between Upadrava and Arista¹⁰

| Sl.no | Upadrava | Arista |
|-------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1 | Upadravas are developed at rogot- | These develop at any stage of disease or |
| | tarakalaja | without any disease. |
| 2 | One can predict relation between | No relation between the arista lakshana |
| | dosha and upadrava | and <i>dosha</i> . |
| 3 | Balavan upadrava denotes | Arista is definite symptom denotes death |
| | kasthasadhyata or asadhyata of dis- | which is asadya. |
| | ease. | |
| 4 | Always purushaashrita (present in | Both purusha ashrita and purush anashrita. |
| | body) | |
| 5 | Helps in assessment of sadhya- asadh- | Helps in assessment of ayu mana (span of |
| | yata. | life). |
| 6 | Treatment of moola roga will pacify | No treatment. |
| | the <i>upadrava</i> . | |

Upadrava's in different diseases

| SL.NO | VYADHI | <i>UPADRAVA</i> |
|-------|------------|---|
| 1 | Udara | Chardhi,Atisara, Trishna, Shwasa, Kasa, Dourbalya. |
| 2 | Hrudroga | Bhrama, Klama, Sada, Sosha. |
| 3 | Pratisyaya | DustaPinasa, Bhadirya, Andya,Nayanamayametc |
| 4 | Ajeerna | Murcha, Pralapa, Praseka, Bhrama, Marana. |
| 5 | Chardhi | Sangha of Vit, Sweda, AmbhuSrotas, Trushna, Shwasa, Hikkaetc |
| 6 | Shotha | Chardi, Shwasa, Aruchi, Trishna, Jwara, Atisara And |

| | | Dourbalya. |
|----|------------------|--|
| 7 | Pandu and kamala | Aruchi, Pipasa, MoordhaRuja. Agnisada, Sopha etc |
| 8 | Vatarakta | Anguli Vakrata Marma Graham Arbuda, Arochaka, |
| | | Shwasa, MamsaKotha, Shiro Graham etc |
| 9 | Visarpa | Praklinna, ShirnaSnayuShiraMamsa, ShavaGandha. |
| 10 | Prameha | PramehaPidaka's |
| 11 | Visuchika | NidraNasha, Arati, Kampa, Mutraghata And Sanjanasha. |
| 12 | Rakta pitta | Pandu, Daha, Murcha, HrudayaPida, ShirasiTapanaetc |
| 13 | Trishna | Jwara, Moha,Kshaya, Kasa,Shwasa. |
| 14 | Madatyaya | Hikka, Jwara,Vamana, Kampa, ParshwaShoola, Kasa And Bhrama. |
| 15 | Vatavyadhi | Visarpa, DahaRuk, Sanga, KshinaMamsaBala, Sputa Twacha ,Bagnaetc |
| 16 | Vrana | Visarpa, PakshaGhata, SiraStamba, Apatanaka, Moha Unmade, RujaVrana, Jwara, Trishna,HanuGraham,Kasa, Chardi,Atisara,Hikka,Shwasa,Vepatu. |
| 17 | Masurika | KurparaSandhiShotha, ManiBandhaShotha and Shotha in Amsaphalaka. |
| 18 | Asragdhara | Dourbalya, Bhrama, Murcha, Mada, Trishna, Daha, Pra- |
| | | lapa, Panduta, Tandra. |
| 19 | Moodagarbha | Yoni Samvarana, KukshiSanga, Makkala |
| 20 | Atisara | Shwasa, Shoola, Pipasa,Kshina, JwaraPidita |

Chikitsa or Mangement:

By observing the explanation of *upadrava*, *chikitsa* of *upadrava* is said as treating the main disease only cures the *upadrava* also.

Importance of *Upadrava***:**

1. In Sadhya- asadhyata of Vyadhi's

In the *sadhya- asadhyata* of *shoola* based on *dosha* is,

Eka doshaja shoola – sadhya,

Dwi doshaja shoola – kruchrasadhya, Tridoshaja, upadravayukta shoola asadhya.

If the *shoola* is associated with *upadra- vas* then it is *asadhya*, it means that it should not be treated ¹⁴.

2. In Chikitsa

Chikitsa can be divided to two types on the basis severity of the disease they are

A. Moola vyadhi chikitsa

B. Upadrava chikitsa

Moolavyadhi Chikitsa is a treatment given to main disease.

Eg; In *sthoola* and *balavan pramehi* treatment is *samshodhana karma*

In *krusha* and *dhurbal pramehi* treatment is *brumhana karma*¹¹.

Upadrava chikitsa is the treatment given in *vyadhijanita upadrava*.

Eg; *Prameha* has seven *upadrava's* they are *Saravika*, *Kacchapika*, *Jaalani*, *Sarshapi*, *Alaji*, *Vinatakhya* and *Vidradi*¹².

Treatment principle for *prameha pidaka* is, *Shastra karma* is done after the *samshodhana* and *ropanakarma*¹³.

DISCUSSION

Clasiffication

Upadrava's are classified in to two types Sthoola and anu. Sthoola word can be considered as number as well as gambira avasta. Gambira means involvement of deeper dhatus. Eg: In prameha pidaka involvement of mamsa dhatu, and in vatarakta involvement of medhadi dhatus. Anu upadrava can be considered as lesser number of complications and uttana avastha. Uttana avastha is that which is not having involvement of deeper dhatus. The lakshana's of the diseases can be considered as anu upadrava. There are two possibilities on types is sthoola upadrva is fatal and anu upadrava is not much fatal.

Relation between Upadrava and Kriyakala

While explained in the review part disease manifest due to nidana sevana, in the vyakta avasta disease produces the symptoms. In that period the disease is treated properly the symptoms of the disease disappear. If they are not treated properly and the patient takes the same nidana which caused moola vydhi then he develops upadrava.

Chikitsa

In general *upadrava chikitsa* can be divided in to three types. They are vyadhi chikitsa, upadrava chikitsa and vyadhi and upadrava chikitsa. In vyadhi chikitsa the treatment is given to moola vyadhi then the upadrava's will subside. In upadravachikitsa, upadrava should be treated first. If they are not treated properly, the patient lead to fatal stage. Eg; in disease atisara ambhuvahasrotokshaya happens, so maintain the fluid balance in the body paniya's should be given. In vyadhi and upadravachikitsa vyadhi and upadrava are treated at time. Eg; In pramehajanita prameha pidaka treatment is given to both prameha as well as prameha pidaka. Upadrava's of the vyadhi gives idea regarding the sadhya- asadhyata of the vvadhi.

CONCLUSION

Upadrava's are the complications which arise after the improper treatment of the vyadhi. Early treatment to the disease itself prevents from the manifestation of upadrava. Once the upadrava develops means the vyadhi is incurable or difficult to cure. On the basis of this upadravachikitsa is divided in to vyadhichikitsa, upadravachikitsa and vyadhi and upadrava chikitsa.

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