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EVALUATION OF THE EFFICACY OF MASHADI TAIL NASYA IN THE MANAGEMENT OF MANYASTAMBHA WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO CERVICAL SPONDYLOSIS

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ABSTRACT

In today's era, human life is more stressful. Due to change in life style, professional stress, travelling, food habits, peoples are more susceptible for various degenerative disorders like *Manyastambha*. *Manyastambha* is the clinical entity in which the back of neck becomes stiff or rigid, pain, *Stambha* in cervical region. It is a commonest degenerative disease by which larger group of community has been affected. *Manyastambha* has been enumerated in eighty *Nanatmja Vyadhis*. It can be clinically co-related with cervical Spondylosis. *Nasya* is the best treatment of choice in *urdhwajatrugata Vyadhis*. In *Samhita*, elaborated that *Mashadi tail nasya* is effective in *manyastambha*. *Mash* is a *Balyakar* which give strength to the cervical muscles. *Mashadi Tail* has properties which are beneficial in *manyastambha*. Thus here an attempt has been made to Evaluation of the efficacy of *Mashadi Tail Nasya* in the management of *Manyastambha* with special reference to Cervical Spondylosis

Keywords: Manyastambh, Nasya, Mashadi Tail.

INTRODUCTION

In today's era human life is affected by many degenerative problems because of change in life style, food habit, stress, travelling ,lack of exercise are becoming part of life. These life style modifications have long term effect on healthy status of human being. The diseases of joints and locomotors system are one of sequels of modern advancement. Cervical Spondylosis is degeneration of cervical spine that most likely caused by age related changes in intervertebral disc.

The vitiated obstructs the channels of *Vata* leading to painful and restricted neck movements. The *Manyastambh* can be clinically correlated with cervical Spondylosis. It's a degenerative condition by

which the larger group of community has been affected.

The Manyastambh is disease which causes Ruk (pain), Toda, Stambh (stiffness), restricted movements in Manya Pradesh According to Ayurveda texts, wrong sleeping positions, use of large pillows, Diwaswap, watching downwards, upwards for the side for long time, causing overstretching of neck are specific causes of Manyastambh due to above mentioned life style Vata and Kapha entity get vitiated causes Manyastambh.

There are medicinal & surgical treatment approaches to treat this condition which is often associated with many adverse effect. In *ayurvedic Samhitas* it is

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elaborated that Mashadi tail nasya is effective in Manyastambha. Nasya karma is considered as the prime treatment for urdhwajatrugata Vikara. It is one of panchakarma in which the medicine is installed in nose. Strength of fibrous tissue that causes increased movements and flexibility of cervical joints and relieves the pain

According to Ayurveda Nasya is one of the best lines of treatment for the management of Manyastambh, which decreases level of Prakupit Vata and Kapha Dosha and improves the strength of fibrous tissue that causes increased movements and flexibility of cervical joints and relieves the pain.

Taila (Snehan) have properties which are opposite to Vata Dosha which decreases the Prakupit Vata Dosha. Hence the present study was undertaken to assess the efficacy of Mashadi tail nasya in the management of Manyastambha w.s.r. to cervical Spondylosis.

AIM AND OBJECTIVES:

AIM: Evaluate the efficacy of *Mashadi Taila Nasya* in the management of *Manyastambh*.

OBJECTIVES:

- To evaluate the effect of *Mashadi Taila Nasya* in *Manyastambh*.
- To study cervical Spondylosis by both Ayurved and modern science point of view

Study Design:-

Diagnosis Criteria –

Patients with classical sign and symptoms of *manyastambh* with that of cervical Spondylosis i.e. pain at neck region, *Stambha* (stiffness) were selected for clinical study.

Inclusion Criteria-

• Well diagnosed patients of *Manyastambh*.

- Patients between age group of 20-70
- Patients fit for nasya karma.

Exclusion Criteria-

- Cervical vertebra fracture
- Cervical rib, cervical canal stenosis
- Congenital Torticollis

Material & method:-

 Mashadi tail :-Mash, Rasna, Bala, Arand, Rohishtrun, Ashwagangha, Hinga, Saindhaw,

Kapikachu beej, Til Tail.

 clinical study include total 20 patients which are diagnosed

Type of Nasya & Dose: Marsh Nasya. (6 Bindu)

Total study Duration: - 7days METHOD OF TREATMENT NASYA:-

A) Poorvakarma:-

- Drug and instruments for *Snehan*, *Swedan* and *Nasya* collected.
- Patients lie down *Nasya* table comfortably for *Snehan* and *Swedan* purpose
- Abhyanga with lukewarm Taila done over forehead, shoulder, hand, cervical region
- Mrudu Swedan given after covering eyes with cotton swab till the Swedotpatti on forehead.

B) Pradhankarma:-

- After completion of *Poorvakarma* patients head lowered in 45 degree angle from edge of table.
- Patients advised to relax with the closing eyes
- Selected Marsh Nasya dose i.e.6 bindu Mashadi Taila Nasya administered to the Patients.

C) Pashchyatkarma:-

- After Pradhankarma patient advised to lie in supine position for 100 Matrakala.
- Forehead, frontal, maxillary and temporal areas massaged.

• Pathya -apathya of Nasya Karma Vidhi advised to the patient

Subjective criteria

- *Manyashool*(pain)
- *Stambh*(stiffness)
- Gaurav (Heaviness)
- *Chimchimayan*(Numbness)
- a) Manyashool(Pain) by VAS analogue scale.

Objective Criteria

- Flexion Left & Right
- Extension
- Rotation
- Flexion

CRITERIA FOR ASSESEMENT

• Subjective criteria :-

Grade 0	No pain		
Grade 1	Mild, pain occasionally (1-3 score)		
Grade2	More than mild but tolerable pain (4-6 score)		
Grade3	Sevear pain continuous (7-10 score)		

b) Stambh(Stiffness)

Grade 0	Absent		
Grade 1	Mild, occasionally		
Grade 2	Moderate, for 30-1 hr daily		
Grade 3	Sevear, persistent		

c) Gaurav (Heaviness)

Grade 0	Absent		
Grade 1	Mild, occasionally for 10-30 min		
Grade2	Moderate for 30-1 hr		
Grade3	Severe Persistence>1 hr		

d) Chimchimayan (Numbness)

Grade 0	No Chimchimayan		
Grade 1	Mild ,occasionally		
Grade 2	Moderate, during work		
Grade 3	Severe, continuous		

Objective Criteria:

Cervical movement	Normal movement in degree	
1)Flexion	50	
2)Extension	60	
3)Lf and Rt flexion	45	
4)Rt and Lf Rotation	80	

a) Mobility flexion

Grade 0	Normal i.e. 50 degree. able to touch chin & chest		
Grade 1	38 to 49 degree of total neck movement		
Grade 2	25 to 37 degree of total neck movement		
Grade 3	13 to 24 degree of total neck movement		
Grade 4	No flexion of neck		

b) Extension –

Grade 0	Normal i.e. 60 degree extension of head up to back
Grade 1	45 to 59 degree of total neck movement
Grade 2	30 to 44 degree of total neck movement
Grade3	15 to 29 degree of total movement
Grade 4	No extension of neck

c) Lateral flexion (Rt& Lf)

Grade 0	Normal i.e. 45 degree ear touch to shoulder tip			
Grade 1	34 to 44 degree of total neck movement			
Grade 2	23 to 33 degree of total neck movement			
Grade 3	12 to 22 degree of total neck movement			
Grade 4	No flexion of neck			

d) Rotation of neck (Rt & Lf)

Grade 0	Normal i.e.80 degree, able to make complete rotation			
Grade 1	60 to 79 degree of total neck movement			
Grade2	40 to 59 degree of total neck movement			
Grade3	20 to 39 degree of total neck movement			
Grade4	No rotation of neck			

This range of movement of the neck will be measure with the help of **Goniometry** as before, after & at follow up

RESULT

Table for signs and Symptoms score

Sr.No	Criteria for assessment	Grade
1	No effect of treatment	3
2	Mild improvement	2
3	Moderate improvement	1
4	Complete Relive of treatment	0

In the present study the trial was conducted on 20 diagnosed patients. All patients were assessed before and after treatment using above parameters and the measure-

ment of neck angle by **Goniometry**. Assessment criteria are subjective and objective hence chi square test & paired T test is used.

Statistical analysis

Assessment Criteria	Mean BT	Mean AT	SD	SEM	Pr> t
Flexion	31.77	50	3.821	0.6976	< 0.0001
Extension	33.33	60	5.511	1.006	< 0.0001
Lt. Lat. Flex	29.77	45	3.360	0.6134	< 0.0001
Rt.Lat.flex	28.80	45	3.718	0.6787	< 0.0001
Lt. Rotation	39.77	80	7.342	1.341	< 0.0001
Rt Rotation	40.57	80	6.673	1.218	< 0.0001

The statistical analysis was done using graphical prism software and observed that the obtained P value are <0.0001 at 29 de-

gree of freedom which is highly significant hence *Mashadi tail Nasya* is effective in the management of *manyastambh*.

OBSERVATION AND DISCUSSION

Manyastambha is a disease of cervical region. It has symptoms of *Ruk*, *Stambha* and restricted movement of neck. *Nasya* is one of the panchakarma procedures in which medicated oil, *qwath*, *Gruta* is administered through nostrils. *Masahdi tail nasya* (6 bindu in each nostril) given to the 20 patients for 7days.

Follow up was taken on 1st& 7th day. Assessment of patients was done before & after treatment. It is found that out of 20 patients 15 got better relief, 3 patients got good relief and remaining 2 patients got satisfactory relief in above said symptoms. *Mashadi tail* is *Vatashamak*, *Kaphashamak* responsible to destroy the vitiated *Kapha* and *Vata*. Hence, the significant effect of *Mashadi tail nasya* observed in 7 days.

CONCLUSION

Manyastambha is affected to larger population. It is degenerative disease. *Mashadi tail nasya* is effective in *Manyastambha*. Obtained P value are <0.0001 at 29 degree of freedom which is highly significant hence *Mashadi tail Nasya* is effective in the management of *manyastambh*.

Hence we can say that *Mashadi tail* is *strotoshodhak* and *vatahara* and also found that *Nasya* with *Mashadi tail* are effective treatment in *Manyastambha*. It better reduces pain, stiffness & restricted movement of neck in 15 patients, good relief in 3 patients and satisfactory result in 2 patients. It gives strength to the cervical muscles and most important gives relief to the patients and it prove the main objective of *Ayurveda* i.e. "*Aaturasya vicar prashamana*!"

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