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MANAGEMENT OF MADHUMEHA ACCORDING TO AYURVEDA - A CASE STUDY

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ABSTRACT

Diabetes mellitus is the disease afflicting mankind since a very long time. Over 30 million people have been diagnosed with Diabetes in India and it is one among the cause for morbidity, which makes the life of individual miserable. In Ayurveda, Diabetes mellitus can be understood as *Madhumeha* which is one among the *Vataja Prameha. Lakshana* pertaining to *Madhumeha* as per the classical text are *Prabhoota Mutra, Aavila mutra* etc. In the present case study, a 45 years old male patient came to Smt. Vimladevi Ayurvedic Medical College and Hospital OPD with complaints of pain in smaller joints and increased frequency of micturition. Through Physical findings and Investigations, the diagnosis leads to *Madhumeha* (Diabetes mellitus). The treatment plan opted was *Shamana Aushadhi*, Proper Diet and Change in Lifestyle would be an apt management in such case.

Keywords: Madhumeha, Diabetes mellitus, Shamana Aushadhi, Lifestyle

INTRODUCTION

Lifestyle diseases are linked with the way people live their life. With decreasing physical exertion, irregular food habits and sleep patterns, predominantly sedentary lifestyle has led to many Lifestyle disorders, one among them is Diabetes. Epidemiological studies of type 2 diabetes provide evidence that overeating, especially when combined with obesity and underactivity, is associated with the development of type 2 diabetes. Globally as of 2019, an estimated 390 million people were diagnosed as Diabetic, with Type 2 diabetes making up about 85% of the cases. Diabetes mellitus is a group of metabolic disorders characterized by chronic hyperglycemia resulting from defects in insulin secretion, insulin action or both. The high blood sugar produces the symptoms like frequent micturition increased thirst, and increased hunger. Untreated Diabetes can cause many complications. Acute complications include Diabetic ketoacidosis and nonketotic hyperosmolar coma. Serious long-term complications include heart disease, stroke, kidney failure, foot ulcers etc. In Ayurveda Diabetes mellitus is referred to Madhumeha which is a Santarpanajanya vikara and one among the type of Vataja Prameha and grouped under Astamahagada. Due to continuous indulgence in Nidana, it results in Aparipakwa Kapha and Meda, which inturn vitiates kleda and meda further resulting Doshadushyasamoorchana. Kleda remaining after *Dhatavagnipaka* through the *Mootrava*hasrotas and get localised at Bastimukha and leading to symptoms like Prabhootamutra, Aavilamutra etc. Diabetes cannot be cured, but it can be managed. The management should be very particular because the management should include dietary modification, lifestyle modification and Anti-diabetic drugs. Ayurvedic management includes Samshamana chikitsa and Samshodana chikitsa along with Vyayama.Samshana chikitsa includes some of the Yogas like Asanadi kashaya, Nishamalaki choorna, Madhvasava etc and single drugs like Haridra (Curcuma longum), Amalaki (Emblica officinalis) along with Madhu (honey), etc.

Aim and Objectives: To evaluate the efficacy of *Ayurvedic* medicines in the management of *Madhumeha*

Materials And Methods

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Present complaints:

A 45 years old Indian, married Male consulted on

08-01-2019 in Smt. Vimladevi Ayurvedic Medical College And Hospital, Wandri, Chandrapur for complaints of pain in smaller joints along with increased frequency of micturition since 1.5 years.

His body weight and height were found to be 68kg and 170cm respectively.

Patients personal History:

The patient wakes up at 6.30am and sleeps at 11pm. He is a vegetarian, suffering from increased appetite & disturbed sleep. The micturition frequency was changed from 8-10 times during day & 4-5 times at night to 3-4 times during day & 1-2 times at night after the treatment. The patient used to take coffee twice a day before treatment which is replaced to decoction of Fenugreek [*Trigonella foenumgraecum*] in early morning.

Food Habits:

Breakfast at 10am including food prepared of rice items more was changed at 9am with food of foxtail millet & reduced rice items. The lunch timing was changed from 2pm to 1pm with freshly prepared food items and the dinner at 9.30pm with ragi balls, sambar, rice was shifted to 8.30-8.45pm with ragi balls, sambar/chapathi.

General Examination:

During general examination, patient was found conscious with Normal *general appearance & gait* and Moderate *built*. The *Pollar, Icterus, Cyanosis, Clubbing, Oedema &* Lymphadenopathy was found to be Absent.

Dashavidha Pareeksha:

The results of Dashavidha Pareeksha was found as *Madhyama* for *Sara*, *Samhanana*, *Satmya*, *Satva*, *Pramana*, *Adhara*, *Shakthi*, *Vyayama Shakthi* & *Vaya*. The *Tridosha*; *Dushya* includes *medha*, *raktha*, *sukra*, *ambu*, *vasa*, *lasika*, *majja*, *rasa*, *ojas*, *mamsa*.

The *Prakriti* and *Vikriti-Dosha* was found as *Vata kapha & Vata pradhana* respectively.

Investigations:

It includes

- FBS, FUS, PPBS, PPUS, RBS

Diagnosis - On the basis of symptoms the patient is diagnosed with Madhumeha (Diabetes mellitus)

Treatment Plan

Details explained in the Table3.

Table 3 Treatment

Date	Medication
08.01.2019 TC	Asanadi gana
08.06.2019	kashaya3tsf TID
	Goranchi 2-0-2
	Dibizide 1-0-0
Slight Modific	ation in the Treatment plan
15.07.2019 to	Asanadi gana
14.09.2019	kashaya3tsf TID
	Nishamalaki2-0-2
	Dibizide1-0-0
29.10.2019 to	Asanadi gana kashaya
01.01.2020	3tsf TID
	Nishamalaki2-0-2
29.04.2020	Asanadi gana kashaya
	3tsf TID
	Nishamalaki2-0-2

Investigation

Details discussed in the Table 4

Table 4 Investigations

			J	
Date			PBS/PP	RBS/RUS
	FUS	3	US	
08/01/19	285.	.2	330.5	
	Mg/	dl	Mg/dl	
	2.0%	6	2.0%	
07/04/19) -		-	293mg/dl
				2%
30/05/19) -		-	155.5mg/dl
				RUS-
				Absent
15/08/19	9 106	5.5	158	
			Mg/dl	
	_		ıt Absent	
22/09/20	99.4	1		
19				
	Abse		t	
22/09/20 19	99.4 mg/c	t dl		

16/11/20	228.2	287.1	
19	mg/dl	mg/dl	
	1.5%	2.0%	
14/03/20 20			189.7mg/dl
15/04/20	105.6	180.5	
20	mg/dl	mg/dl	
	Abse	0.5%	
	nt		
29/05/20	250.2	314.4	
20	mg/dl	mg/dl	
	1.5%	2.0%	
15/06/20			155.8 mg/dl

Results

Improvement in subjective signs and symptoms was found as mentioned in the Table 5.

- Increased frequency of micturition (Prabhoota mutra) was decreased.
- Marked reduction in the Blood sugar level.

Table 5: Results

Physical finding	Before treatment	After treatment
Frequency of	8-10 times during day	3-4 times during daytime
micturation	4-5 times at night	1-2 times at night
Weakness	Present	Absent

Investigations

Date	Before treatment	After treatment
08/01/2019-	FBS/FUS- 285.2 mg/dl,2%	RBS/RUS-155.5 mg/dl, Absent
15/06/2020	PPRS/PPLIS-330 5mg/dl 2%	

DISCUSSION

The present study includes medications like Asanadi Kashaya, Nishamalaki, Tab Gornachi where Asanadi gana kashaya include drugs like Asana (Pterocarpus marsupium), Tinisha (Ogeinia dalbergioides), Bhurja (Betula utilis), Meshahringi (Gymnema sylvestre), Daruharidra (Berberis aristata) etc. It is indicated in Prameha, Medo dosa and Kapha vikara. Most of the drugs have Kashaya rasa, Laghu ruksha guna, Sheeta virya and Katu vipaka. Mainly acts on Kaphadosha. Nishamalaki tablet contains Nisha (Haridra) [Curcuma longa], Amalaki (Phyllanthus emblica), Nimba patra (Azadirachta indica), Jambu beeja (Syzygium cumini), Madhunashini (Gymnema sylvestre). All the drugs process

Mehahara karma and it is indicated in Prameha. Goranchi tablet include Madhunashini (Gymnema sylvestre) leaf and root, Jambuphala (Syzygium cumini), Amalaki (Phyllanthus emblica), Haridra (Curcuma longa), Shilajatu. It is Tridoshahara. Most of the ingredients have Mehahara karma and also improves the digestive fire. Treatment is based on Samprapthi of the Vyadi and the Doshas involved. In the present study, Vyadhi is due to Agnimandya and Medodushti

along with involvement of Kalpha dosa. The medications selected above are based on Vyadhi as well as Dosha involved i.e Vyadhipratyanika & Doshapratyanika chikitsa. The drugs having Tikta, Kashaya and katu rasa along with Laghu, Ruksha guna and Lekhana Karma plays a major role in the management of santarpanajanya Vikara where Madhumeha is one among them. The drugs mentioned in the above formulations also possess the same properties along with Mehahara Karma, hence the Vyadhipratyanika and Doshapratyanika Chikitsa is established.

CONCLUSION

From the present study it can be concluded that *Ayurvedic* management of *Madhumeha* is better achieved by following the proper dietary food habits, lifestyle along with *Shamana Aushadi*. The holistic approach of *Ayurveda* utilising the above concept will definitely pay the way not only to control the blood sugar level and also to prevent the complications caused by *Madhumeha*.

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