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Abstract:
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Keywords: Yapan Basti, Patrapinda Pottali Swedan, Vataj Ghridhrasi

Introduction
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Hence madhu-ghrutadiyapanbasti and patra panda pottaliswedan were selected for present study.

Aims and objectives
- To assess the efficacy of madhu-ghrutadiyapanbasti and patra pindpottali swedan in the management of gridhrasi.
- To assess any side effect during the course of treatment.
- To find simple, cheap and effective treatment in management of gridhrasi.

Inclusion Criteria
- Patients age group 20-50yr.
- Presence of Ruk, Tod, Stambha and Spandan in sphika, kati, uru and pada.

Objective Criteria
- SLR test in affected leg as objective measure for diagnosis and assignment of improvement in treatment
  - Visual analog scale.
  - Oxford pain chart prepared and assisted before, during and after treatment.

Exclusion Criteria
- Cardiovascular disease, Nephroticdisease, Pregnancy and Uncontrolled Diabetes.
- Benign & malignant tumour of spine or T.B of vertebral column and Trauma.

Investigation
- Routine investigation were done in all cases including CBC, ESR, BSL, RA factor and X-ray of Lumbosacral spine (AP & Lat. View)

Posology
- Drug:
  1) Madhu-Ghrutadiyapanbasti
  2) PatrapindpottaliSwedan
- Patients were randomly selected.
- Total 16 basti, daily one.
- Duration 16days
- Local Abhyanga&Swedan.

Criteria of Assessment
- The data presented as general observation viz.Age, sex, religion etc. Nidana&Lakshana. The result of therapies was evaluated on the basis of improvement in subjective and objective parameters on various rating scale &charts. For statistical analysis, we
calculated means, Std Deviation, standard errors an percentage.

The total effect of therapy was assisted taking into the overall was improvement in sign & symptoms and calculated.

 Obtained results were classified-
A) Marked improvement – 75-100% relief, B) Moderate improvement – 51-75% relief
C) Mild – 26-50% relief\n
D) Unchange - < 25% relief

**Observations & result** -

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**Nidana** - 1) Mithya-Ahara, 2) RutuviparitaAahara, 3) Katurassevan, 4) Chint, 5) Krodh

**Symptoms** - Ruk, Tod & SLR (100%) in all patients

- Tandra-46.32
- Aaruchi -76.4%
- Gaurav -25.12
- Spandan -29.45%

**Discussion**

Among the study, subjects, 10% were in the age of 21-30; 20% 31-40 and 70% of 41-50yr. In 41-50 age group there is initial stage of Vat-prakopa. Accordingly modern science, there is progressive decrease in the degree of hydration intervertebral disc with Age, leading to the cycle of degeneration. Hence, the prevalence of Sciatica is high in middle aged people. This study is supported by the present study. Most of the patients (70%) were from the urban areas, this is because of fast lifestyles & hazards, Associated with industrialization. A large portion of the patients (60%) were housewives, Household works involves working in abnormal posture for long periods and there us too much wear& tear of spine.

Bad posture, standing work, long walking, constant sitting, were aggravating factors in 80% of patients. A high proportion of patients 50% had Vat-Pittaj and 20% had Pitta-Kaphajp, while remaining 30% had Vat-Kaphajprakrti. This suggest that Vataplays major role in Nidana; 80% had kutasatmakAaharsevan, ingestion of food which are Ruksh, Sheet, Laghu, Ratrijagran, Vegvidharan & all such factors are precipitate Vat prakop which is important etiological factor in Gridhrasi. Vegdhara found in 20% and Vishamacheshta in 80% were main etiological factor that precipitating Gridhrasi because they cause strain on
the spine. As much as 40% patients had mansik factor such as Atichinta, which effects the role of tension in Vata-prakopa.

Among the female subject 45% had reached Menopause, indicating that degenerative changes occur earlier in relation to male. 30% of the women were obese, excessive pressure is exerted on the weight bearing joints such as lumbosacral joints and nerve originating from this area were affected. In X-ray finding 30% has spondylosis, 40% had osteoporosis 10% had spondylolithiasis at L5-S1, and 00% had lumbar canal stenosis, where spinal canal narrows and compressed sciatic nerve root.

**Effect of therapy**

Improvement of pain and Toda because pain is produced mainly due to vataprakopa and basti is the best treatment for Vata. Ushnaguna of swedan also reduces pain in sciatica.

**Toda :-** This shows that nearly half of the patients who have disturbed Nidra by Toda as night is Vataprakopakala, So Tod might be aggravated during this kala showed better improvement in Toda (80%). Yapanbasti is type of Niruhabasti act as Vatanulomana & relaxes the spinal muscle controlling Apana-VayuSpandan occurs due to Vata and is better relieved by Yapanbasti.

**SLR Test**

Sakthikshepanigraha was measured by SLR test, With Yapanbasti, all patients were able to lift the leg higher due to reduction in muscular spasm. Walking time were relieved 80% and numbness (75%) due to Vatashamak properties of basti and swedan, snigdh decreases Rukshaguna of Vata and Ushnaguna decreases Sheetaguna of Vata. Basti & Swedan breakupanga and margavrodha. Yapanbasti & Patrapindpotta liswedan helps in controlling both Vata and Kapha and breaking Samprapti.

**Effect of therapy on dosha involvement**

Vatajgridhrasi results are highly significant with relief of 90%. This was due to only vatahar effect of yapanbasti and Swedan.

**Mode of action of Madhu-GhratadiYapanbastian Patrapindpottaiswedan**

Vata and Kapha are main etiological factors for Gridhra which gets reduced by yapanabasti and swedan because these two treatment play major role in reducing Vata and Kapha.

**Conclusion**

Both treatment have effect on Gridhrasi, MadhuGhrutadiYapanabasti showed good results. MadhuGhrutaare cheap, easily available and very effective in joints disorder.

Basti clears the strotas by removing mala and Avarana, conquers the Ruksha of vayu with snigdhaguna and also normalize Apanavayu which is the main culprit. The selected treatment does not work only to relieve symptoms but it works at the level of samprapti and minimizes the chances of recurrence of disease.

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