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# TO EVALUATE THE EFFICACY OF TRIPHALADI KWATH NETRA PARISHEK IN THE MANAGEMENT OF VATAJ ABHISHYAND(ALLERGIC CONJUNCTIVITIS) A SINGLE CLINICAL CASE STUDY

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### ABSTRACT

Abhishyanda is one among the Sarvagata Netra Rogas, which affects all parts of the eye, having good prognosis. Signs and symptoms of allergic conjunctivitis like redness, itching, watering, burning, F.B. sensation, photophobia and discharge which simulates with signs and symptoms of Abhishyanda explained in our classics. It is of four types depending upon the predominant *Dosha* viz *Vataja*, *Pittaja*, *Kaphaja* and *Raktaja Abhishyanda*. In each type of Abhishyanda nature of pain, discharge, congestion, edema, etc. varies. On analyzing the signs and symptoms predominant *Dosha* can be assessed. If these Abhishyanda are not treated in time it leads to a painful condition called Adhimantha. In Sushruta Samhita four separate chapters have been devoted to the treatment of Abhishyanda after explaining Sarvagata Roga. It should be treated as soon as possible otherwise complications due to Abhishyanda will be severe in nature and difficult to save eye sight. Present case study of 30 yr. old female Patient having symptoms of watery discharge foreign body sensation, burning, itching, and redness etc. Diagnosis done as a *Vataja Abhishyanda*, undergo the Ayurveda treatment as Netra Parisheka and Shaman treatment for 7 days. After 7 days Patients was much relieved. Present Case Study, the Effect of Netra Parisheka and Shaman treatment in Vataja Abhishyanda.

KEYWORDS: vataj Abhishyanda, allergic conjunctivitis, parisheka.

## INTRODUCTION

Abhishyanda is a condition in which all Netravaha Srotas get Shyandatva and leads to condition like discharge from all parts of eye. Abhishyanda is one among the Sarvagata Netra Rogas and is considered as the root cause of all type of Netra Rogas by all the Acharyas. Lakshana of Abhishyanda like Sangharsha, Srava, Toda, Daha, Ragata, Guruta, Kandu etc are similar with modern aspect of symptoms of allergic conjunctivitis. foreign body sensation, burning, itching, discharge, and redness etc. Seperate Nidanas for Abhishyanda are not mentioned in any classical texts by our Achyarya, so general Nidanas of Netra Rogas can be considered as the Nidanas of Abhishyanda. These are sleeping during day time, awaking at night hours, excessive use of sour item, suppression of natural urges, intake of alcohol, working in polluted and smoky area etc. In modern ophthalmology also dust, smoke,

pollution, seasonal. Vishishta Samprapti of Abhishyanda, Like any other disease Abhishyanda can be divided into various stages on the concepts of Kriya Kala like Sancaya, Prakopa, Prasara, Sthanasamshraya, Vyakti and Bheda. Parishek is a Kriyakalpa which gives remarkable effect of the drugs locally and gives complete relief in the local signs and symptoms of eye disease. This study should be done in more number and more variety of signs and symptoms of eye patients to give proper management with Parishek. Furthermore, relevant studies regarding different modes of drug in the form of Kshira, Kwatha, Mansarasa, Ghrita, etc. should be done in the procedure of Parisheka which can open new horizons in the field of Shalakya Tantra.

**Aim Of The Study**: To Evaluate The Efficacy of *Parisheka* In The Management Of *Vataj Ahishyanda* (Allergic Conjunctivitis).

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### MATERIALS AND METHODS

The patients attending the EYE O.P.D. Dept. of *Shalakya tantra*, Mansarovar Ayurvedic Medical College Hospital And Research Centre, Bhopal (M.P.).

The study was clinical trial. The diagnosis of *Vataja Abhishyanda* (Allergic Conjunctivitis) was done on the basis of clinical picture as per the Modern and Ayurvedic texts. For this purpose a special research proforma was prepared as per the modern and Ayurvedic view. After taking ophthalmic and systemic history, a detailed eye examination was carried out by slit lamp examination before and after study. The Clinical trial study was registered on 21/06/2024.

## CASE STUDY

A 30 Year Old female Patient Came To The Shalakya Tantra, Eye OPD Of Mansarovar Ayurvedic Medical College Hospital & Research Centre Bhopal (M.P.) On 21/06/2024 With Complaints Watering of Both Eye, Itching, F. B. Sensation, Congestion, Since 2 Days.

### Visual Examination

Table No. 1: Visual Examination.

#### **Personal History**

Diet- vegetarian Appetite-Normal Bowel-Regular Micturition - 4-5 times/day Habits-No

# ASHTAVIDHA PARIKSHA

Nadi- Pittapradhan vata Mala- Prakruta Mutra- Prakruta Jivha- Nirama Shabda- Spashta Druka- Prakruta Akruti- Madhyama

### Vitals examination

B.P. – 120/80 mmHg Pulse rate -76/min. Respiratory rate - 22/min. Temperature- 97.40 F

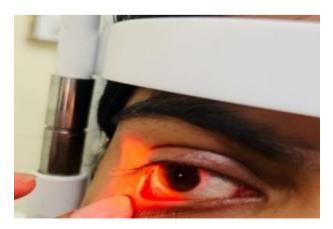
Visual I	Examination	Right Eye	Left Eye
Distant	vision	6/12 p	6/9 p
Near vis	ion	N/6	N/6

Ocular examination: Slit lamp examination explained in Table no.2

# Table No 2: ocular examination of both eyes.

Ocular examination	Right eye	Left eye
Eyelid	Mild upper and lower lid swelling	Mild upper and lower lid swelling
Eyeball movements	Normal	Normal
	Congestion at Bulbar conjunctiva ++,	Congestion at Bulbar conjunctiva ++,
Conjunctiva	Palpebral conjunctiva ++,	Palpebral conjunctiva ++,
	Lower fornix +++	Lower fornix +++
Cornea	Clear	Clear
Anterior chamber	NAD	NAD
Dupile	Normal in shape and reactive to light	Normal in shape and reactive
Pupils	Normal in shape and reactive to light	to light
Lens	Within normal limits.	Within normal limits.

Patient examination: Patient pictures during slit lamp examination-



### Investigations

Complete blood count was done, where Hemoglobin, WBC, ESR were in normal range; Lymphocytes, Eosinophil count were higher than normal range but there was mild decrease in Neutrophil, Monocyte count. Absolute Eosinophil count was highly increased (800cells/mm). Sac patency test, Tear break up test (TBUT) and Schirmer's Test was also done.

# CLINICAL ASSESSMENT

Patient was assessed using subjective characteristics (*lakshanas*) of *vataja abhishyanda*. And also the signs of allergic conjunctivitis observed which were as follows – Sign & Symptoms Ayurvedic correlation:

- *Nishtoda* foreign body Sensation
- Shishirabh Ashruta lacrimation

#### • *Chala*- Unsteady

- Alpashopha -Oedema
- Nasanaha Nasal Congestion
- Sphutana Tearing Pain
- *Bhedana* Breaking Pain
- Kandu Itching
- Raga- Congestion

**INTERVENTION GIVEN:** Acharyas have mentioned Shodhana Vidhi (drug with shodhana guna helps in removing toxins inside the body) followed by Sthanik chikitsa such as Nasya, Aschyotana, Netra Seka, Parisheka, Pindi. In this case, a combination of herbal preparation was administered to provide therapeutic effects.

# Treatment

Procedure done: Table No. 3: Netra Parisheka With Triphala, Yashtimadhu And Daruharidra Kwath.

Procedure name	Medicine used in parisheka	Procedure Duration
Netra parisheka	Triphala, Yashtimadhu and Daruharidra kwath	7 days

*Kwatha* made from *Triphala*, *Yashtimadhu* and *Daruharidra* was used as *Netra parisheka*.

5 gm of each was taken, 800 ml of water pour into it and boiled until it remains 1/8th of total volume to remain 100 ml. All aseptic precautions were taken while preparing *Kwatha*.

- *Triphala* pacifies the *Tridoshas* and is a potent astringent with Anti Inflammatory, Homeostatic and Wound healing properties. It is beneficial in the disease of eye, due to properties of *Chakshushya, Rasayana, Shothahara* and *Deepana. Triphala* decoction is easy to made and cost effective drug in Ayurvedic management.
- *Yashtimadhu: Vatapitta Shamaka Dravya* which helps in reducing *Vedana and Raga*. It has Glycyrrhizine, Kaempferol like anti-inflammatory contents.
- Daruharidra: Daruharidra is Kaphapitta Shamaka Dravya which helps in reducing Shotha and Vedana It contains Berberin which is anti-inflammatory.

*Netra Parisheka* which is externally application of medicine on the eye, due to Contact with *Bhrajaka Pitta* (the pitta which is seated in the skin), it will Absorbed through local tissue with the help of *Ushna Ruksha Gunas*. Due to *Pachana* and *Bahirparimarjana* properties of the procedures. *Ama Pachana* will occur and further removes Srotorodha (Normalization of *Sthanika Dhatwagni*) finally it converted to *Amavastha* to *Niramavastha* of eye. Hence, this formulation was used which can save the time and cost of medicine.

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### Mode of Action Of Netra Parisheka

The mode of action of *Parisheka* is quick and efficient as the absorption through the thin layer of eyelid skin is enhanced by heat and continuous exposure to the liquid drug for a short period of time. The skin thickness of eye is 0.05cm, which is the thinnest skin in our body. Increased temperature of skin increases the rate of penetration by direct effect on diffusion within the skin. The temperature affects stratum corneum structure causing higher permeability. Also, temperature increase improves blood flow locally henceforth enhancing the dermal absorption. Thereby the use of *Parisheka* drug at a specific temperature over the eyelids for a proper time of *Dhara* gives us good absorption of medicine and also reduces the local inflammations and pain of *vataj Abhishyanda*.

According to Modern medicine cleanliness and control of infection plays the major role in its treatment. So, our use of *Parisheka* procedure provides indirectly frequent cleaning of eye. Also in the chronic and recurrent cases, only antibiotics do not give results hence *Parisheka* is a good supportive measure along with our *Dosha-Shamak* oral medications for the cure of the disease.

**Upashaya and Anupashaya**: While explaining the disease Acharya Vagbhatta quoted that Snigdha and Ushna Upachara relieves the signs and symptoms of the Vataja Abhishyanda. Netra parisheka is the most common form in ophthalmic practice, because the standard dose of the eye drops is maintained and patients can easily carry it with them and instill it whenever

required. Considering this, eye drop formulation has been choosen as an alternative to *Kriya Kalpa*.

#### Timeline Total Study Period- 15 days

Treatment period-7 days Follow up- 7<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> day Outcome During course of OPD admission Reduction in lacrimation and foreign body sensation reduced completely No Itching and congestion of conjunctiva waking up. Follow up on 15 day, all symptoms are reduced & Bowels are regular Overall health status maintained. **Follow up**: After completion of treatment, the patient was followed up for 7days. Patient was completely free from the previous signs and symptoms and no any new complaints were found during the 7th day of follow up.

**Results**: After 7th day of assessments, she got complete relief from on each symptom associated with *vataj Abhishyanda*. Results of the treatment were tabulated and analyzed in table no-4,5.- Before and after Treatment symptoms-

 Table No. 4: Observation of assessment criteria (Subjective Criteria) of analysis before treatment, during treatment & After treatment.

Subjective Criteria	0 day (before treatment)	5 <sup>th</sup> (day after treatment)	7 <sup>th</sup> day
Nistoda	+++		
(Pricking Sensation)	+++	+	-
Shishiraashru			
(lacrimation)	++	-	-
Alpashopha (Oedema)	+	-	-
Kandu			
(Itching)	++	+	-

Table No. 5: Objective Criteria, before treatment, during treatment & After treatment.

Objective Criteria	0 day (before treatment)	5 <sup>th</sup> (day after treatment)	7 <sup>th</sup> day
<i>Raga</i> (congestion of cornea)	++	-	-

#### **Clinical Images before and after Treatment**



### **OBSERVATION**

It was observed that the patient got complete relief from *vataj Abhishyanda* in 5th days. She was asked to come for follow-up after 7 days, Patient was not on any medication at that time. There was no recurrence during the time of follow up.

#### DISCUSSION

*Vataja abhishyanda* is one among them that can be contemplated as allergic conjunctivitis. Varieties of therapeutic procedures including *Aushada dravyas*, *pathya* and *apathya* have been described in detail in the science. Incorporating the same would help the patient in providing the relief from its root and in turn the recurrence. *Parisheka* is a *Kriyakalpa* which gives remarkable effect of the drugs locally and gives complete relief in the local signs and symptoms of eye disease. This study should be done in more number and more variety of signs and symptoms of eye patients to give proper management with *Parisheka*. Furthermore,



relevant studies regarding different modes of drug in the form of *Kshira, Kwatha, Mansarasa, Ghrita*, etc. should be done in the procedure of *Parisheka* which can open new horizons in the field of *Shalakya Tantra*.

#### CONCLUSION

The present study provides the complete comprehension about the disease named *Vataja Abhishyanda*, the Allergic conjunctivitis including its etiology, signs, symptoms and management that are explained in Ayurveda system of medicine. The detailed in-depth knowledge of *Vataja Abhishyanda* and its management helps in providing an alternative, safe and an affordable treatment to the modern conventional management of Allergic conjunctivitis with no adverse effects. So on the basis of overall effect of results it can be concluded, that among the above mentioned line of treatment *Triphala*, *Yashtimadhu* and *Daruharidra Parisheka* is ideal remedy for the management of *Vataja abhishyanda*. Because it completely cure almost all sign and symptoms without any adverse effects during the study, no significant adverse effects were observed.

According to Modern medicine cleanliness and control of infection plays the major role in its treatment. So, our use of *Parisheka* procedure provides indirectly frequent cleaning of eye. Also in the chronic and recurrent cases, only antibiotics do not give results hence *Netra Parisheka* is a good supportive measure along with our *Dosha-Shamak* oral medications for the cure of the disease.

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