MANAGEMENT OF MADHUMEHAJ VRANA (DIABETIC FOOT ULCER) THROUGH JALAUKAVCHARANA: CASE REPORT

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ABSTRACT

Diabetes Mellitus is a disease which hampers body functions and structure by its complications in long run. Madumehaj Vrana (Diabetic Foot Ulcer) is a major Complication leading to maximum number of Amputations in India and world. A report shows that 30 percent of patients gets healed with the Standard treatment in 20 weeks, which is not an encouraging situation as 70 percent of them will continuously be impacted. So there is a need of accessible affordable and fast technique for management of Madhumehaj Vrana. Raktamokshana through Jalauka is such a powerful Para surgical Procedure which can be the boon to society. It has been clearly mentioned by Acharya Sushruta that Jalaukavcharana can be easily done in any person who is Parama Sukumara, and it removes the deep seated vitiated doshas and improves blood circulation thereby increasing the healing of ulcer fast . In this Case study of Chronic Madhumehaj Vrana Jaluka application was done every 15 days followed by cleaning and washing with yashtimadhu churna and panchavalkala kashaya followd by dressing with Jatyadi tail. Patient was continued the Anti diabetic and Anti Hypertensive medications. After 2 months of treatment Ulcer healed completely.

Keywords: *Madhumehaj Vrana*, *Jalaukavcharana*, Diabetic Foot Ulcer, *Acharya Sushruta*

I. INTRODUCTION

Diabetic Foot Ulcer is the major complication of Diabetes Mellitus. It is a syndrome involving Neuropathy, Ischemia, infection, poor wound healing due to increased Blood Sugar Level, minor trauma, cutaneous ulceration, gangrene. 85% of diabetic foot ulcer leads to Amputation, resulting in disability. A study shows that 30% of Neuropathic Diabetic ulcers heals in 20 weeks with the standard treatment, which is a long duration, so we need an accessible, affordable and fast working treatment. Diabetic foot ulcer mostly occurs on This publication is licensed under Creative Commons Attribution CC BY.

planter regions especially at the weight bearing surfaces. According to Ayurveda it can be correlated with Madhumehaj Vrana. Acharya sushruta in Pramehanidana chapter explained that a Pramehi whose body is filled with Vasa and Meda along with other dushyas and vitiated Tridoshas leads to formation of Prameha pidikas and further putrifaction leads to ulcer formation. Acharaya Sushruta also mentioned in Sutrathana Krityakrityavidhi chapter that Madhumehaj Vrana are Kashtasadhya i.e. difficult to treat because of poor wound healing. and in chikitsa sthana it is described that due to weakness of Rasayanis (dhamani that circulates Rasa, Rakta etc) Doshas cannot raise above resulting in Pramehapidikas in lower body only.

II. IMPORTANCE OF JALAUKAVCHARANA

Raktamokshana is considered as Ardhachikitsa, as it removes the vitiated doshas from body. Raktamokshana through Jalauka is considered best to be done in Parama Sukukmara as it is an Anushastra and has less threshold to pain. Jalauka lives in water and is Madhura Rasa yukta which is why it is helpful in Pitta vitiated conditions. according to ashtanga hridaya Jalaokavcharana should be done when Doshas are deep seated i.e. Avghada, which means Diabetic foot ulcer can be treated with Jaloukavcharana.as the Doshas are deep seated in Dhatus.

III. CASE REPORT

A. AIM AND OBJECTIVES

To study the effect of *Jalokavcharana* in Diabetic Foot Ulcer (*Madhumehaj Vrana*)

B. TYPE OF STUDY

Observational Single case design without control group.

C. **STUDY CENTRE:** AYUSH Dispensary,, Civil Hospital, Sector 4, Rewari, Haryana, India

D. STUDY DETAILS

AGE: 50 yrs GENDER: Male RELIGION:

Hindu

OCCUPATION: Farmer DIET: Vegetarian

CHIEF COMPLAINTS: Non Healing Ulcer on Right Foot Planter region since 3 years

Blood discharge along with pus and unpleasant smell and swelling

BRIEF HISTORY

Patient presented with the complaint of Non healing ulcer on Right Foot Planter aspect accompanied with bloody discharge pus and swelling since 3 years. No History of trauma given by patient. No complaint of any pain. Patient is a case of Diabetes Mellitus and on Medication still Uncontrolled. Patient was a case of uncontrolled Hypertension also and not on any treatment. Patient took allopathic treatment since 3 years but got no relief.

GENERAL EXAMINATION

Vitals : BP: 200/100 mm Hg Uncontrolled

Haematological investigations: Random Blood Sugar: 417mg/dl uncontrolled throughout the course

X ray AP/Lat/Oblique- No Bony Involvement

LOCAL EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT

a) INSPECTION

SITE: Right Foot Planter Region

SIZE: LENGTH: 3cm WIDTH: 3 cm DEPTH: 0.5 cm

SHAPE: Irregular/oval EDGE: Rough/Irregular FLOOR: Unhealthy with slough and less granulation tissue DISCHARGE: Blood discharge accompanied with pus SMELL: unpleasant

STATE OF VRANA: Dushta Vrana

b) PALPATION

EDGE: No Tenderness

Base: No Tenderness

Local Temperature: Raised

PROCEDURE

After whole assessment wound was washed and cleaned with NS. Afterwards *Jalauka* was Applied over the wound.

After about 30 minutes *jalauka* left on their own and wound was cleaned and washed with *Yashtimadhu churnalepana* and *Panchvalkala Kashaya* and dressing was done with *Jatyadi tail*.

Further dressing was done on alternate days and *Jalauka* was applied once in 15 days for 5 sittings and assessment was done on Day 1, 15, 30, 45, 60. Anti Diabetic drugs(Tab Metformin and Tab Tinagliptin 5mg) were advised to continue.

Along with this oral medication of Tab *Kaishora Guggulu*, Tab *Chandraprabhavati* 2 BD each and *Triphala Churna* 5 gm BD and *Panchanimba Churna* 5 gm BD was given. Also Antihypertensive drugs Tab Amlodipine AT were started.

Observation was done upon the cardinal symptoms for healing of ulcer as follows:

Table 1: Gradation Criteria for Assessment

CARDINA L	GRADE 0	GRADE 1	GRADE 2	GRADE 3
SYMPTO MS				
SIZE	No discontinui ty	3/4th of previous area of ulcer	1/2th of previous area of ulcer	More than 1/2th area of ulcer
PAIN	No pain	Mild localised pain on moveme nt	Moderate pain on rest	Unbearab le pain even on rest
SMELL	No smell	Bad smell	Tolerable unpleasa nt	Foul smell
DISCHAR GE	No discharge	Mild occasion al discharge	Moderate discharge needs dressing daily	Profuse discharge
EDGE	Intact skin	Smooth regular	Rough and irregular	Angry Look
FLOOR	Smooth with healthy Granulatio n tissue	Rough regular less granulati on tissue	Unhealth y , less granulati on tissue	Unhealth y no granulati on tissue

IV. OBSERVATIONS

Table 2: Observations according to Assessment Criteria

CARDINA	BEFORE		A.T
L	TREATME		

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SYMPTO	NT					
MS						
	DAY 1	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	
		15	30	45	60	
SIZE	3	3	2	1	0	
PAIN	0	0	0	0	0	
SMELL	2	2	1	0	0	
DISCHAR	2	2	1	0	0	
GE						
EDGE	3	2	2	1	0	
FLOOR	3	2	2	1	0	

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V. RESULT

It has been observed that by *Jalaukavcharana*, *Madhumehaj Vrana* is healed completely in duration of two months. *Jalauka* showed its *Vrana Shodhana* and *Ropana* effects by removing the vitiated *doshas* from the affected region and increased healing by improving the blood circulation and decreasing inflammation of the planter region of the foot.

VI. CONCLUSION

Jalaukavcharana is simple, accessible, affordable and fast technique to cure such Chronic Non healing and Advanced conditions that too in an OPD. As *Madhumehaj Vrana* shows marked Improvement in 2 months it can be concluded that this bloodletting therapy is truely the *Adhachikitsa* and boon to the Society. It nearly avoided the chance for Amputation and Disability, which restored the physical level of Health.

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PICTURES

FIGURE 1

Clinical Presentation DAY 1



FIGURE 2

DAY 15



FIGURE 3

DAY 30

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FIGURE 4

DAY 45



FIGURE 5

DAY 60



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