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A REVIEW ARTICLE-AYURVEDIC MANAGEMENT OF VICHARCHIKA (ECZEMA) THROUGH KANKARISTHA

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ABSTRACT

In ancient medical texts, all skin diseases come under the headline of *Kustha*. *Kustha* is also divided in to two groups *Maha Kustha*, *Kshudra Kustha*. *Vicharchika* is a condition which comes under *Kshudra Kustha*. It is one of the chronic disorder as described in *Ayurveda Grantha's*. In *Charak Samhita*, it has been mentioned that *Khadir* is very useful in any type of *Kustha*. *Kankaristh* which contain *khadir* is most effective in the treatment of *Kustha*. It contain 5-10% of self-generated alcohol, so that we can stored for long time without losing their potency, instead there is increase in the potency as these preparation becomes old. It possess *Ashukari Guna* that's work at the level of *Dosh* and *Dhatus*. There for *Asava*, *Aristha* is popular in the community of *Ayurvedic Vaidhyas*. Another thing is that, it is a liquid dose form to take all age group, without any discomfort.

Key words; Kustha, Vicharchika, Kankaristh

INTRODUCTION: Skin is the chief casing of body, it contributes a chief role in maintaining barrier between internal and external environment, and especially the healthy skin is the first requirement for the attractive personality. Ayurveda described all skin disease under the headline of the kustha. In the other word it can be listed as Ayurvedic dermatology. Kustha is considered by Charak and other ancient medical authority that all dermatological manifestation under 18 subtypes of Kustha ,Vicharchika is one of the KshudraKustha.

AIM AND OBJECTIVES: To stabilise the efficacy of *Kankaristha* in *Vicharchika* (eczema).

MATERIAL AND METHOD:

A.Disease review: In modern science eczema is a chronic superficial inflammation of the skin, which is usually

itching in nature. It is form of dermatitis known as atopic dermatitis. It may begin in infancy childhood or in adults¹. The clinical lesions may be acute or chronic, Depending on the persistence of the insult.² Eczema is pattern inflammatory response of the skin which is resultant the of delayed hypersensitivity mediated by memory T lymphocytes in the skin³. The term eczema is broadly applied to arrange of persistent skin condition. These include dryness, crusting, flanking blistering, and cracking, oozing or bleeding. The cause of eczema is unknown but is presumed to be combination of genetic and environmental factor⁴. This disease has a number of external and internal factors acting singly or in combination.

In ancient medical science *Vicharchika* is considered to be a subtype of

KshudraKustha⁵. Which is a type of the skin disease Samprapti of Kustha ,Nidan *causeAgnimandya* in patients, Agnimandya leads to produce Aamotpatti ,leading *TridoshDushti* and Kileda formation. That create Twakdusti ,Lasikadusti ,Mansa Dusti and Raktadusti and causes Vicharchika(eczema). Vicharchika is KaphaPradhanaTridoshaj Vyadhi⁶.

2.Milk with *Chilchim* fish (*Rohu* fish),

- 3. Fish, honey, salty and sour food black gram.
- 4.Improper method of administering Panchkarma.
- 5.Exposure to heat immediately after taking food.
- 6.Improper method of eating hot and cold food.
- 7.Exposure to sun light immediately taking bath.

Nidan⁷-

1. Incompatible food and drink.

Table No.1 B.Drug review⁸ The Contents Of *Kankaristha*:

Dravya	Rasa	Vipaka	Virya	.Doshaghnata	Rogaghnata
1 Khadir	Tikta	Katu	Seeta	Kapha pitta	Kushthaghnavranaro
				shamaka	pan
2 Haritaki	Pancha	Madhur	Ushna	Tridoshahara	Kushthaghna
	rasa				Krumighna
3 Bibhitaki	Kashaya	Madhur	Ushna	Pitta kaphahara	Virechanopaga
					jwarahara
4 Amalaki	Pancharas	Madhur	Seeta	Tridoshaghna	Dahashamana
5 Sunthi	Katu	Madhur	Ushna	Kaphavatahara , bhedana	Raktashodhaka
6 Pippali	Katu	Madhur	Anushnash ita	Kaphavatahara	Krimiroganut
7 Maricha	Katu	Katu	Ushna	Kaphavatahara	Pinasa, kasapravahika,
8 Haridra	Katu, tikta	Katu	Ushna	Kaphavatahara	Kushtha
9Nirmalake	Madur,	Madhur	Seeta	Kaphavatahara	Kusthagna
beej	kashaya,				
	tikta				
10 Dalchini	Katu,	Katu	Ushna	Vatapittahara	Raktashodhak
	tikta, madhu				
11 Bakuchi	Katutikta	Katu	Ushna	Kaphavatahara	Kusthaghna
					Raktapittahara
12 Giloya	Tikta,	Madhur	Ushna	Tridoshaghna	Kusthaghna
		a			
13 Vidang	Katu,	Katu	Ushna	Kaphavatahara	Krimiroganut
	kashaya				Kusthaghna
14Dhaykep	Kashaya	Katu	Sheeta	Kaphapittahara	Kusthaghna
hool					
15 Madhu	Madhur	Madhur	Ushna	Kaphapittaghan	Tvachya
				a	
DISCUSSION Vankaristha is an different type of health complication					

DISCUSSION-*Kankaristha* an Ayurvedic formulation used to manage the

different type of health complication⁹. Antimicrobial action of this medicine help to fight against the various infection in our body. Raktshodhak properties of this medicine are quite effective to treat the skin diseases like boils, dryness of skin, acne, eczema, etc. Kankaristha help to manage the symptoms in skin diseases like itching, rashes, discoloration, oozing etc. It help to remove the waste materials from our blood and body. But how it work in our body that is main aims. At that time we saw about RasPanchaka of this formulation, what we found that maximum herbs Kushtaghna, Kandughna, Kaphaghna, and Raktprasadk. In this Aristha first and main content Khadir.Khadir (Acacia catechu) is main choices for every practitioners and also popular in between society. It work on his Kusthaghna Prabhav. And Ras, Veerya, Vipak and Guna also provide help to cure skin diseases that told by Charak¹⁰ and Sushrut also. Trifala is kapha Pittahar ,Kusthaghna, and use in Prameh, Kustha, Mandagni, Virechanalso¹¹. contains the herbs Pippali, ginger, and black pepper. The powerful Ushna Virya of this combination is traditionally used to support the digestive fire and a healthy detoxification (shroto shodhak¹²). Haridra (Curcuma longa) is Katu and Tikta in taste. It is Ushna Virya, and Rooksha in Guna. It acts against vitiated Kapha and Pitta Dosha¹³. So it useful in skin diseases. diabetes, and wound healing¹⁴. Giloy (Tinospora cordifolia) is known Amritaalso, It is used in the treatment and curing of many diseases and disorders. His properties and action Rasa- Tikta, Kasaya, Guna-Laghu, Virya-Usna, Vipak-Madhur, Karma-Rasayana, Raktasodhaka¹⁵. Dalchini (Cinnamomumzeylanica) it has amazing therapeutic properties like anti-bacterial, anti-fungal, anti-oxidant. Dalchini can cure

many skin, hair and health problems. Its anti-microbial properties purify your skin, while its anti-biotic effects protect skin from irritations, rashes, allergic reactions, infections¹⁶.Bakuchi(and Psoralea corylifolia) is excellent medicinal herb that is used in Ayurveda to cure skin related diseases e.g. eczema, itching, vitiligo, lesions¹⁷. hypopigmented psoriasis, Nirmalike Beej / Kataka (strychnos potatorum) is a well known in Ayurvedic treatment of skin diseases, anorexia ,renal calculi, because it reduces vitiated Kapha and Vata Dosha¹⁸. Vidang (Embelikaribes) has Ushna Guna there for it balances Kapha and Vata Doshas. It is widely used against intestinal worm infestation¹⁹. Dhataki phool (Woodfordia fruticosa) it balance kapha pitta dosha. Dhataki is used as ingredient in many products of Asava and Arishta preparations. Because it have special effect fermenting agent²⁰ is a delicious and natural .Honey sweetener many of us are already familiar with. It balance Pitta and Kapha Dosha, and work on cough & cold, diabetes, cholesterol, lose weight, heal wounds, skin disease²¹. Over all we found that every single content has on capacity to cure the skin disease. But there are fifteen contents in this formulation there for Kankaristha is working on maximum of skin disease, Vicharchikais also one of them.

Pathyaapathya: Non vegetable food like meats of different type of animals and birds, various preparation of the cooked or an cooked food. If *Kustha* patient intake these always that causes indigestion and imbalance of *Kapha*, leading to worsening of itching. Dugdha- excess of milk and dairy products causes Kapha that's why in eczema increase itching and excessive secretion *Amla rasa* like *Dadhi* increase *pitta*. And now aquatic area, sugarcane,

wine, and day sleeping, taking sour fruits, various preparation of flour. All of these products aggravate Kapha Vata, Pitta and as well as Rakta also . There for ancient medical authority pressurizing on Pathya Kalpana.

CONCLUSION: AvurvedSaar In Shangrah mentioned about Kankaristha .Kankaristha is a very effective in the treatment of Kustha, Specially *Vicharchika*. It contains 5-10% of self generated alcohol in preparation. And alcohol improve the quality of drug potency to cure several type of skin problem .Because it has some major property such as Yogvahi, Aashukari, and Teekshana, Laghu Guna. By Yogvahi Guna it take all the property from herbs in to the Aristha. And Aashukari Guna it improves the drugs potency to deliver the property in the body to the level of Dosh, Dhatu. Teekshna Guna is working as (channel refiner). And about Laghu Guna, It is so light for digest the preparation. There for Kankaristha is better medicine for Vicharchika.

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