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# "EFFECT OF JALAUKAVACHARANA (LEECH THERAPY) IN THE MANAGEMENT OF MUKHADUSHIKA (ACNE): A CASE STUDY"

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## **ABSTRACT:**

Jaloukauvacharana is the method of removing impure blood from the body. It is considered as the most easy and convenient method of bloodletting therapy which is one among the Panchakarma (five purificatory) Procedure. Mukhadushika (Acne) is a most common skin disease in adolescent. Current varies treatment procedures which include oral antibiotic, Topical applications; Surgery, Laser therapy etc. are associated with many side effect, scar & irritation of the skin & recurrence. But Raktamokshana is the most important treatment of the Pitta Dosha. Raktamokshana by Jalouka can provide a simple, painless, OPD basis & economic treatment. A 20 yrs old female patient came in our OPD with complaints of pimple on both cheeks with itching with Srava since 3 yrs. For that jaloukavacharana was planned and result was significant, assessments were observed clinically & recorded.

Key Words: Mukhdushika, Acne, Jaloukavacharana

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#### INTRODUCTION:

Mukhadushika a Twak Roga, is one among the Kshudra Roga, having the features of Ruja (pain), Ghana (hard), Pidaka(boil), Daaha (Itching) at pimple region. Face is the most important and beautiful organ of the body and is affected by certain anomaly at the any age of the life. Acne commonly occurs in adolescence and affects an estimated 80 – 90 % of teenagers in the western world. Today's lifestyle, irregular diet and pollution, stress is directly affecting the skin causing many skin diseases and most common in them is Mukhadushika. Raktamokshana ofthe is one Panchakarma explained by sushruta<sup>2</sup>. Mukhadushika is explained by Sushruta Samhita under Kshudra Rogas<sup>3</sup>.It correlate to acne vulgaris explained in modern science. According to modern medical science, as it decreases the complexion and smoothness of the skin. So this vyadhi is known as *Mukhadushika*. Jalaukauvacharana is one of the most effective therapy bloodletting therapies in Ayurveda. The process of bloodletting in which leeches are been used is known as ialaukavacharana. Mukhadushika conforms to the current clinical condition acne vulgaris; a disease of sebaceous glands manifesting generally in

adolescence with pleomorphic lesions like comedoes, papules, pustules, nodules etc.

#### AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

### Aims:-

To study efficacy of Jalaukavcharana in Mukhadushika

# **Objectives:-**

- 1. To study concept of Mukhadushika
- 2. To study concept of Acne Vulgaris
- 3. To study effect of Jalaukavcharan in Mukhadushika

#### CASE HISTORY:

A 20 yrs old female patient was came in our OPD with complaints of Daaha with Ruja with boil Srava on over Pidaka since 3 yrs.

#### NIDANPANCHAK:

#### 1. HETU:

Stress, Aathyakar Ahara, Vihara

- 2. PURVAROOP: daaha, Alparuja
- 3. RUPA: Daaha, Boils, Srava, Ruja,
- 4. UPASHAYA: Sheeta Sparsh

CHIKITSA: Jaloukavacharana was done on Day1, Day3, Day5 & kumari gar with Haridra choorna for local application at pimple for pigmented scar. Before & after treatment assessment was recorded. Follow up period on 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 21th, 30thday.

# **MATERIAL AND METHODS**

• A 20 years old female came with complaints of *Daha*, *Pidika*, *Kandu* 

• History of present illness

A patient was a symptomatic 3 years back, since then she has suffering from multiple pimples with pain, discharge

- Samanya Parikshan
- *Nadi*:-78/min
- Mala:- Asamnya pravritti
- Sparsha:-Anushana
- Shabda:- Prakruta
- Mutra:-Prakruta
- Druka:- Prakruta
- Jivha :- Sama
- Akruti :-Madhyam

Treatment plan:- Jalaukavacharan in ayurvedic Samhita, treatment for mukhadushika mainly contain Shodhana and shaman Chikitsa. Jalaukavcharan is one of Shodhana Chikitsa<sup>[3]</sup>pt. having Pitta Pradhana Vata Prakriti along with pitta Dushti symptoms like Daha was seen, hence setting of Jalaukavcharan in difference 5 days was done.

**Table 1.1:** 

	Therapeutic period							
smen t Crite	In- course period	Follow-up period						

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No.	D ay 1	D ay 3	D ay 5	D ay 10	Da y1 5	Da y2 1 5/2	Da y3 0
of	/2	/2	/2	/2	0	0	0
pimp le	0	0	0	0			
Ruja	+	+	+	+	-	-	-
	+	+	+				
	+						
Daah	+	+	+	+	+	-	-
a	+	+	+				
	+						

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Factors responsible for acne are

- Dosha-Vata,kapha ,bhrajak pitta
- Dhatu-Rakta

entire factors are of same These characteristics, so they have common line of treatment like Raktamokshana, virechana. Assessments were observed clinically & recorded with during the therapeutic period & follow-up period. Indication of Ratka Visraavana have been explained for providing reduction pain,boil,daaha.5 four therapy of Jaloukavacharana were done(on Day1, Day3, Day5 Here Jalouka sucks the, vitiated blood .does the sthanikasnehan in all leech increase the blood flow of the affected site, help in inflammation, in Mukhadushika , mainly pitta & Rakta

Dosha are vitiated with Vata Dosha, Jalaukavacharana help in removal of pitta & Rakta dosha obstruction caused by Vata & Kapha Dosha due to which pure blood circulation over affected side is occurring.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

In this study maximum patients ware in between the age group of 16 to 24 yrs old Gender: in this study female patients were more (70%) than male patients. Role of *jalaukavacharana* in acne is clinically established. All the parameters like number of *Pidika*, pain, *Daaha*, shows statistically significant result on the basis of clinical study.

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