

DHATU PACHAK YOGA

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Abstract:

Dhatu Pachak Yoga are the polyherbal formulations mentioned in the Charak Samhita and Ashtang Hridaya in the adhikara. However, jvara is synonymous to vyadhi, hence it can be correlated that the treatment protocol for jvara can be used in any disease as per the yukti of the physician. One such important formulation is the dhatu pachak yoga. Mentioned according to the santatadi vishama jvara prakara; they are as follows- Rasapachaka yoga in Santata Jwara, Raktapachaka yoga in Satata Mamsapachaka yoga Anyuedyuhu Jwara, Medapachaka yoga in Triteeyak Jwara and Asthimajjapachaka yoga in Chaturthak Jwara. Yet, the importance of these five dhatupachaka yoga is not only confined to vishama jvara, but is used widely by physicians all over in the form of churnavati-kwath treat various other to diseases, although the etio-pathology of all diseases begins with jvara, hence Dhatupachaka yoga is an important polyherbal set of formulations.

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Introduction: The tri-doshas maintain the stability and equilibrium of the body, however, if these three doshas are vitiated, they cause vikrti¹. Now, once these doshas get vitiated, they vitiate the dushya, which is the dhatu, which in turn manifests various signs and symptoms. Hence, to normalize the doshas, one has to think about the dushya. Because the association of dosha and dushya causes origin of a disease. Now, the first step in every disease is aam pachana. Because majority of the diseases are due to aam. This aamta may not only be at the jatharagni level, however, the commonly observed phenomenon includes aamta at dhatvagni level, for which knowledge of Dhatu Pachak Yoga is important. These Dhatu Pachaka yoga are mentioned in the Jwara Adhikara of Charaka and Ashtang Hridaya.

Dhatu Pachak Yoga: The following are the dhatu pachak yoga mentioned in charak samhita and Ashtang Hradaya; Indrayava (Kutaj beej), Patol patra and kutki constitute the santata jvara treatment and is commonly known as Rasapachaka yoga². Patol patra, sariva,



musta, patha and kutki constitute the satata jvara treatment and is commonly known as Rakta pachak yoga³. Nimba patra, patol patra, triphala, mridvika, musta and kutaj constitute the treatment of Anyedyushk jvara commonly known mamsapachak yoga⁴. Kiratikta, guduchi, chandan and shunti constitute treatment of tritiyaka the ivara, commonly known as medo pachak yoga⁵. Guduchi, amlaki and musta constitute the treatment of chaturthak ivara commonly known as ashtimajja pachak yoga⁶. The yoga above said are specifically mentioned for vishama jvara. Santat jvara ved is continuous. Rasadi sakta dhatu, vatadi dosha, mutra and purisha all get vitiated. Now, there are 12 ashraya over which the chikitsa has to be carried out. The santat jvara is rasa ashrayi. This means rasa dhatu is primarily vitiated. Now, the main action of rasa dhatu is to provide nourishment to the body. Due to vitiation of rasa

dhatu in santat iwara this action is hampered. Hence this kind of jwara is associated with fatigue. In santat jwara, langhan, swedana etc, the commonly mentioned treatment protocol for jwara is to be followed. The physician has to consider saamta and niraamata of the body and then plan the treatment. Along with this, the body and the mind too have to be nourished. Now, the above said is only for santata jwara, however the other types of vishama iwara too need to be considered individually. The above said dhatu pachak yoga are majorly tikta rasa Pradhan. Although the above said pachak yogas are stated in the form of kwath yet along with evolution in the field of pharmacy they can be used in the form of ghanavati, vati, capsule, syrup. Tikta rasa being predominant of these pachak yogas is agni Deepak, sroto rodha nashak, ruchi kara and jwaraghna, hence the above combinations are formulated by the Acharayas.

Rasa pachak yoga:

	Kutaj ⁷	Patol patra ⁸	Kutki ⁹
Botanical	Holarrhena	Tricosanthes dioica	Picorrhiza kurrooa
Name	antidysentirica		
Family Name	Apocynaceae	Cucurbitaceae	Scrophularianceae
Rasa	Tikta, katu, kashaya	Tikta	Tikta
Virya	Sheeta	Ushna	Sheeta
Vipaka	Katu	Madhura	Katu
Guna	Laghu, ruksha	Laghu and Snighdha	Laghu, rukhsha
Karma	Agnideepana, pachana,	Patola is useful in Pitta	It has special action
	It should be used to	and kahpajvara to digest	in jvara due to its
	digest rasagata ama	doshas and to expel and	tikta rasa. It digest



a	and sama doshes and	pacify niram doshas.	rasa gata aam and
to	o pacity nirama	Hence, it is useful in	pacifies kapha and
d	loshas by its tiktarasa.	rasagata vishamajvara.	pitta by its tikta
It	t digests and pacifies		rasa. It decoction
ra	asagata doshas.		should be used in
H	Hence, should be used		vishama jvara. It
ir	n santatajvara		removes
			constipation present
			in jvara.

Rakta pachak yoga:

	Sariva ¹⁰	Patol ⁸	Kutki ⁹	Patha ¹¹	Musta ¹²
Botanic	Hemidesmus	Tricosanthe	Picorrhiza	Cissampelos	Cyperus
al Name	indicus	s dioica	kurrooa	pareira	rotundus
Family	Asclapiadaceae	Cucurbitace	Scrophularianc	Menispermace	Cyperace
Name		ae	eae	ae	ae
Rasa	Madhura, Tikta	Tikta	Tikta	Tikta, katu	Tikta,
					katu,
					kashaya
Virya	Sheeta	Ushna	Sheeta	Ushna	Sheeta
Vipaka	Madhura	Madhura	Katu	Katu	Katu
Guna	Guru and	Laghu and	Laghu, rukhsha	Laghu and	Laghu,
	shighdha	Snighdha		teekhshna	rukhsha
Karma	It being pitta	Patola is	It has special	It eliminates	It digests
	shaman and ama	useful in	action in jvara	fever because	rasa gata
	pachan, should	Pitta and	due to its tikta	of tikta katu	and
	be used to	kahpajvara	rasa. It digest	rasa. It acts on	amashaya
	eliminate	to digest	rasa gata aam	satat jvara. It	gata
	saraktanishthiva	doshas and	and pacifies	digests and	doshas.
	na, daha,	to expel and	kapha and pitta	pacifies rakta	Hence
	morcha, chhardi,	pacify	by its tikta rasa.	gata doshas.	should be
	pralapa and	niram	It decoction		used as
	bhrama present	doshas.	should be used		dosha
	in Raktagata	Hence, it is	in vishama		shaman in
	jvara.	useful in	jvara. It		satat
		rasagata	removes		vishama
		vishamajvar	constipation		jvara. It is
		a.	present in jvara.		useful in



		pitta	
		jvara,	
		sutika	
		jvara,	
		Stanyo	d
		bhava	
		jvara. 1	But
		should	
		not	be
		used	in
		Jirna	
		jvara.	

Mamsa pachak yoga:

	Nimba ¹³	Patol ⁸	Triphala	Mridvika 15	Musta ¹²	Kutaj ⁷
Botanic	Azadiracta	Tricosanthes	-	Vitis	Cyperus	Holarrhena
al Name	indica	dioica		vinifera	rotundus	antidysentiri
						ca
Family	Meliaceae	Cucurbitace	-	Vitaceae	Cyperace	Apocynacea
Name		ae			ae	e
Rasa	Tikta, katu,	Tikta	Madhur,	Madhura	Tikta,	Tikta, katu,
	kashaya		amla,		katu,	kashaya
			katu,		kashaya	
			tikta,			
			kashaya			
Virya	Sheeta	Ushna	Ushna	Sheeta	Sheeta	Sheeta
Vipaka	Katu	Madhura	Madhura	Madhura	Katu	Katu
Guna	Laghu ruksha	Laghu and Snighdha	Laghu, ruksha, sara	Snighdha mrudu	Laghu, rukhsha	Laghu, ruksha
Karma	Nimba acts	Patola is	As visha	To reduce	It digests	Agnideepana
	as	useful in	maghna,	daha,	rasa gata	, pachana, It
	amapachan	Pitta and	it exerts	trisha and	and	should be
	a. Should	kahpajvara	its action	santap it	amashaya	used to
	be used for	to digest	by	is given in	gata	digest
	alleviation	doshas and	pachana	jvara.	doshas.	rasagata ama
	of doshas	to expel and	and		Hence	and sama
	in meda	pacify niram	shodan of		should be	doshes and



and mamsa	doshas.	doshas	used as	to pacity
dhatus in	Hence, it is	which are	dosha	nirama
anyedushk	useful in	present in	shaman in	doshas by its
a jvara. It	rasagata	alina	satat	tiktarasa. It
also arrests	vishamajvar	state in	vishama	digests and
vitiation of	a.	dhatus.	jvara. It is	pacifies
the vaginal			useful in	rasagata
discharges			pitta	doshas. Its
after			jvara,	bark digests
delivery.			sutika	and excretes
			jvara,	mamsa gata
			Stanyod	doshas.
			bhava	Hence,
			jvara. But	should be
			should	used in anya
			not be	dushkajvara
			used in	
			Jirna	
			jvara.	

Meda pachak yoga:

	Kiratikta ¹⁶	Gudhuchi ¹⁷	Chandana ¹⁸	Shunthi ¹⁹
Botanical Name	Swartia	Tinospora	Santalum album	Ziziber
	chiraita	cordifolia		officinalis
Family Name	Gentiniaceae	Menispermaceae	Santelaceae	Zinziberaceae
Rasa	Tikta	Tikta, katu, kashaya	Tikta, katu	Katu
Virya	Sheeta	Ushna	Sheeta	Ushna
Vipaka	Katu	Madhura	Katu	Madhur
Guna	Laghu rukhsha	Laghu ruksha, mridu	Laghu ruksha	Laghu snighdha
Karma	Should be used as	It has its main action in jvara	It digests ama and kapha –	Shunthi causes pachana of rasa
	jvaragna being	due to its tikta	pitta associated	gata ama and its
	tikta. It	rasa	with meda	sheeta
	digests ama		dhatu. Hence	prashaman
	and eliminates		given in trityaka	being ushna;



digested	jv	vara	hence to be
doshas and			used in sheeta
removes			purva jvara.
trishna,			
bhrama and			
daha. Hence			
useful in			
tritiyak jvara			

Ashthi majja pachak yoga:

	Gudhuchi ¹⁷	Amalaki ²⁰	Musta ¹²	
Botanical	Tinospora cordifolia	Emblica officinalis	Cyperus rotundus	
Name				
Family Name	Menispermaceae	Ephorbiaceae	Cyperaceae	
Rasa	Tikta, katu, kashaya	Madhur, amla, katu, tikta, kashaya	Tikta, katu, kashaya	
Virya	Ushna	Sheeta	Sheeta	
Vipaka	Madhura	Madhur	Katu	
Guna	Laghu ruksha, mridu	Laghu, ruksha	Laghu, rukhsha	
Karma	It has its main action in jvara due to its tikta rasa	Useful in pittanubandhi jvara being sheeta. Its quatha be given with honey and sugar in pittaja, vata-pittaja and sanniparik jvaras. It carries out shodhana and pachana of dhatugata doshas excited in anyedyushka and chaturthika jvaras.	It digests rasa gata and amashaya gata doshas. Hence should be used as dosha shaman in satat vishama jvara. It is useful in pitta jvara, sutika jvara, Stanyod bhava jvara. But should not be used in Jirna jvara.	

Conclusion:

The above dhatu pachak yogas although mentioned in context of vishama jvara,

yet they are commonly used today in not only pacifying jvara but also a few diseases related to dhatu. For example, rasa pachak yoga is used to treat various



disorders like pandu, kamala, artava sambhandi, irritability, mood swings etc. Ashthi pachak yoga used commonly to treat all kinds of arthritis, hair fall, graying of hair etc. Hence, these dhatu pachak yogas are a boon for practitioners today where by simply identifying the dushya one can easily know the involvement of the dhatu and prescribe these pachak yogas to the patient. Although these pachak yogas are to be consumed in the form of qwath, however due to hectic lifestyle this is evolved to the form of tablets, syrups etc.

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