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A CLINICAL STUDY OF ADITYAPAKA GUGGULU, BALASHAIREEY TAILA AND SHATPUSHPAADI LEPA IN THE MANAGEMENT OF SANDHIGATAVATA/OSTEOARTHRITIES

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ABSTRACT

Sandhigatavata is a type of vata vyadhi. It is the commonest form of articular disorder, which having similar symptoms as that of Osteoarthritis. In this disease patient's routine work get limited. According to Ayurveda this disease mainly occurs in vriddhavastha due to Dhatukshaya and other vata prakopaka nidan. Main symptoms of this disease are shula, sotha, vata poornadriti sparsha and difficulty in flexion and extension of the sandhi. In this study total 60 patients having the complaints of Sandhigatavata were randomly divided into 2 groups. In Group A patients were treated with Adityapaka Guggulu along with Balashaireey Taila and Group B patients were obtained in both groups but the study showed Group A- Adityapaka Guggulu and Balashaireey Taila (for external application) treatment as highly effective in Sandhigatavata.

KEYWORDS: Sandhigatavata, Adityapaka Guggulu, Balashaireey Taila, Shatpushpaadi Lepa.

INTRODUCTION

Sandhigatavata is one of the Vata vyadhi. Acharya Charak has described the disease by the name Sandhigata Anila. He was the first one who described this disease separately under the chapter of vata vyadhi but he has not included this disease in 80 types of Nanatmaja Vatavyadhi. The disease Sandhigata vata can be defined as a disease of sandhi. In this condition vitiated vayu gets localized in sandhi and cause sandhishula, sandhishotha and akunchana prasarana janya vedana and in the later stage hanti sandhigatah.

According to modern science Osteoarthritis is a chronic disorder of synovial joints. It is characterised by focal loss of cartilage with accompanying peri-articular bone response in the form of sub-condral bone sclerosis and attempted new bone formation by way of bony over growth called osteophytes.It Interferes patient's daily routine. There are more than 150 forms of arthritis and they affect one or more joints in body. Osteoarthritis is a most common form of arthritis and joint disorder especially in elderly.It occurs more in female then in male. Osteoarthritis involves all components of the joints, including bone, cartilage, meniscus and synovium.

Osteoarthritis affects the joint especially the weight bearing joints. Commonly affected joints are knee,hip,lumbosecral and cervical spine,base of thumb and first metatarso-phalangeal joint.Wrist ,elbow and ankle joints are also affected.

In minor cases Osteoarthritis remains asymptomatic but in symptomatic case pain in jonts, joint stiffness, limitation of movement are most common symptoms and these are more prominent on walking up from the bed in morning.

Due to similarity in symptoms *Sandhigatavata* and Osteoarthritis can be taken as similar disease condition.

Aim and Objective

- To observe the effect of *Adityapaka Guggulu* with *Balashaireey Taila* in *Sandhigatavata*.
- To observe the effect of Adityapaka Guggulu with Shatpushpaadi Lepa in Sandhigatavata.
- To compare the difference of results in the above treatment groups.

MATERIAL AND METHOD

60 patients were selected randomly from OPD and IPD of shri Khudadad Doongaji Govt. Ayurvedic College Hospital, Raipur (C.G.). Detailed history of all patients were taken as per the proforma followed by physical examination and lab investigation. All signs and symptoms has been assessed under the scoring pattern. Study was started after obtaining Ethical clearance from



the Institutional Ethics Committee, Ref. No./IEC/2018/83, Proposal Ref. No.- 4/K.C./2017-18 and after taking written consent of patient of *Sandhigatavata* (Osteoarthritis).

Inclusion criteria -

- The patients were selected based on the symptoms described in Ayurvedic and Modern texts.
- Patient between age group of 40-70 years.
- Patient of either sex.

Exclusion criteria

- Patients below 40 and above 70 years of age.
- Patients suffering from disease like Carcinoma, Psoriatic arthritis, Acute vatarakta, Phiranga, Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE), Tuberculosis, AIDS, Bed ridden patient, Patients with skin allergies/skin diseases, Patients using local Anti-

inflammatory medicine other than the research drugs, Patients with metallic implants and other fatal infectious disease are excluded.

- Pregnant and lactating mother.
- Chronice cases having complications.

Selection of Drug – In this study *Adityapaka guggulu* and *Balashaireeya taila* which are described in *Chakradatta* and *Shatpushpadi Lepa* which is described in *Yogratnakar* are selected.

Adityapaka Guggulu

Granth praman – Chakradatta Granthkarta – Chakrapani datta (vyakhyakar dr.indradev tripathi) Mulpaath – Vatavyadhi Chikitsa Prakaran (adhyay 22/66-67)

	Ingredient.							
SN	Drugs	Ras	Guna	Virya	Vipaka	Doshaghnata	Prayojy anga	Prabhav
1.	Haritaki <i>Terminalia</i> <i>chebula</i> Retz.	Lavanrahita- Pancharasa (Kashaya- pradhan)	Laghu ,Ruksha	Usna	Madhura	Tridosha Shamaka Especially - Vata Shamaka	Fruit	Tridosh Shamka
2.	Bibhitaka <i>Terminalia</i> <i>bellirica</i> Roxb	Kashaya	Laghu, Ruksha	Usna	Madhura	Tridosha Shamaka Especially - Kapha Shamaka	Fruit	Kashara
3.	Amalaki <i>Emblica</i> officinalisGaertn.	Pancharasa (Lavan rahita)	Guru, Ruksha Sheet	Sheet	Madhura	Tridosha Shamaka Especially - Pitta Shamaka	Fruit	Rasayana
4.	Pippali <i>Piper longum</i> Linn.	Katu	Laghu, Snigdha, Tikshna	Unusna sheet	Madhura	Kaphavata Shamaka	Fruit	Deepana
5.	Dalchini Cinnamomum ZylanicumBreyn	Katu, Tikta, Madhura	Laghu, Ruksha , Tikshna	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka	Bark	Vatanulomana
6.	Elayachi/Ela <i>Eeattaria</i> <i>Cardamomum</i> Maton	Katu, Madhura]	Laghu	Sheet	Madhura	Tridosha Shamaka	Fruit	Vatanulomana
7.	Guggulu <i>Commiphora mukul</i> Engl.	Tikta, Katu	Laghu, Ruksha, Tikshna, Vishada, sara,Such ama, Sugandhi (Puran) Snigdha, Picchila (Naveen Guggulu)	Usna	Katu	Vatakapha Shamaka	Niryas	Tridoshara, Rasayana, Medohara
8.	Shalaparni Desmodium gangeticum DC.	Madhura, Tikta	Guru, Snigdha,	Usna	Madhura	Tridosha Shamaka	Pancha nga	Balya
9.	Prishnaparni Uraria pictaDesv	Madhura, Tikta	Laghu, Snigdha,	Usna	Madhura	Tridosha Shamaka	Root	Sandhaniya

10.	Brihati <i>Solanum</i> <i>indicum</i> Linn.	Katu,Tikta	Laghu, Ruksha ,Tikshna	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka (A. H.), Vatapitta Shamaka (Su. S.)	Root / Fruit	
11.	Kantkari <i>Solanum Surattense</i> Burm.f.	Tikta, Katu	Laghu, Ruksha, Sara	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka	Pancha nga	Kanthaya
12.	Gokshura Tribulus terrestrisLinn.	Madhura	Guru, Snigdha,	Sheet	Madhura	Vatapitta Shamaka	Fruit	Mutravirechaniya
13.	Bilva Aegle marmelosCorr.	Kashaya, Tikta	Laghu, Ruksha	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka	Bark	Grahi
14.	Agnimantha <i>Premna</i> <i>mucronata</i> Roxb.	Tikta, Katu, Kashaya, Madhura	Ruksha, Laghu	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka	Root- Bark	Shothahara, Anuloana
15.	Shyonaka Oroxylum indicumVent.	Madhura, Tikta, Kashaya	Ruksha Laghu	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka	Root- Bark	Sangrahaka
16.	Patla Stereospermum SuaveolensDC.	Tikta, Kashaya	Ruksha, Laghu	Unusna	Katu	Tridosha Shamaka	Root- Bark	Vedanasthapana
17.	Gambhari <i>Gmelina arborea</i> Linn.	Tikta, Kashaya,Madh ura	Guru	Usna (Fruit- Sheet)	Katu	Tridosha Shamaka	Root	Dahprasamana

Balashaireey Taila

Granth praman – Chakradatta Granthkarta – Chakrapani datta (vyakhyakar dr.indradev tripathi) Mulpaath – Vatavyadhi Chikitsa Prakaran (adhyay 22/100)

Ingr	edient							
S.N.	Drugs	Rasa	Guna	Virya	Vipaka	Doshaghnata	Prayojyanga	Prabhav
1	Bala <i>Sida cordifolia</i> Linn	Madura	Laghu, Snigdha, Pichchhila	Sheet	Madhura	Pittavata Nashaka(Su.S.) Kaphavata Nashaka (A.H.) Vatapitta Shamaka (Sharma)	Root, Seed	Balya
2	Shaireyaka/ Sahachara <i>Barleria</i> Prionitis Linn	Tikta, Madhura	Snigdha, Laghu	Usna	Katuq	Kaphavata Shamaka	Leaf/ Panchanga	Vedna prashamana
3	Tila <i>Sesamum</i> <i>indicum</i> Linn.	Madhura, Katu, Tikta, Kashaya	Guru, Snigdha,	Usna	Madhura	Vata Shamaka, Kaphapitta Shamaka	Oil	Mutra Sangrahniya
4	Godugdha	Madhura	Snigdha,	Sheet	Madhura	Vatapitta Shamaka		

Shatpushpadi Lepa

Granth praman – Yogratnakar Granthkarta – Vaidya Laxmipati Shastri. Mulpaath – Vatavyadhi Nindan (shlok 3)

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	Ingredient							
S.N.	Drugs	Rasa	Guna	Virya	Vipaka	Doshaghnata	Prayojyanga	Prabhav
1	Shatpushpa Anethum Sowa Roxb.	Katu, Tikta	Laghu, Ruksha, Tikshna	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka	Fruit	Deepana, Pachana
2	Devdaru <i>Cedrus</i> <i>deodara(Roxb.)</i> Loud.	Tikta	Laghu,Sni gdha	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka	Kandasaar	Vednasthapana
3	Arka Calotropis procera(Ait)R.Br	Katu, Tikta(flow er-Tikta, Madhura)	Laghu, Ruksha, Tikshna	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka (Flower - Kaphapitta Shamaka)	Milk, Leaf ,Flower, Root-Bark	Kusthagna
4	Kutha Saussurea lappaC.B. Clarke	Tikta,Katu ,Madhura	Laghu, Ruksha , Tikshna,	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka	Root	Rasayana
5	Hingu Ferula narthexBoiss.	Katu	Laghu,Sni gdha, Tikshn, Sara	Usna	Katu	Kaphavata Shamaka, pitta Vardhaka		Shulhara
6	Saindhava Lavan Sodii Chloridum	Lavana	Laghu,Sni gdha	Sheet	Madhura	Tridosha Shamaka		

Grouping of Patients - Selected patients were studied under 2 groups as follow-

Group A - 30 Patients of Group A were given Adityapaka Gugglu Dose - 2 tab/QID (each tablet-500mg) + Balashaireeya taila (for local application) Dose - As required Anupana - Lukewarm cowmilk Duration - 90 days Follow up – Every 15 days

Group B - 30 Patients of Group B were given Adityapaka Gugglu Dose - 2 tab/QID (each tablet-500mg) + Shatpushpadi Lepa (for local application) Dose - As required Anupana - Lukewarm cowmilk Duration - 90 days Follow up - Every 15 days

Assessment Criteria -

(A) Subjective Criteria

- Pain 1.
- 2. Swelling
- 3. Pain during flexion & extension
- 4. Crepitus
- 5. Tenderness
- 6. Morning stiffness
- 7. Standing time
- 8. Burning sensation

(B) Objective Criteria

- 1. CBC
- 2. ESR
- 3. RA Factor
- 4. Urine -R, M
- 5. Blood Sugar F, PP
- 6. X-Ray

Grading of Assessment Criteria -

1. Sandhishula (Pain).

Criteria	Grading
Absent	0
Present but Unbearable	1
Moderate pain and pain > 6 hrs	2
Severe pain, Difficulty in routine work	3

2. Sandhi Shoth (Swelling).

Criteria	Grading
Absent	0
Mild swelling with Heaviness in joints	1
Moderate swelling But able to do work	2
Severe swelling and unable to do work	3

3. Aankunchan prasaran janya vedana(pain during movements of joints).

Criteria	Grading
Absent	0
Mild pain present but face is expressionless	1
Moderate changes in expression of face due to pain	2
Severe absence of extension and flexion in joints	3

4. Shandhi sphutan(Crepitus).

Criteria	Grading
Absent	0
Mild perception on touch	1
Moderate Audible on touch	2
Severe clearly Audible	3

5. Sparsh asahyata (Tenderness).

Criteria	Grading
Absent	0
Mild tenderness	1
Moderate – winching of face on touch	2
Severe - Does not allow to touch the joint	3

6. Sandhi grah (Morning stiffness).

Criteria	Grading
Absent	0
Mild – morning stiffness of $5 - 10$ min duration	1
Moderate- morning stiffness 10-15 min duration	2
Severe- morning stiffness of 15-13 min duration	3

7. Standing time.

Criteria	Grading
For 30 minutes and above	0
For 20 – 29 minutes	1
For 10 to 19 minutes	2
Below 10 minutes	3

8. Dah (Burning Sensation).

Criteria	Grading
Absent	0
Mild burning sensation and bearable	1
Moderate burning sensation with less hot perception	2
Severe burning sensation with more hot perception	3

Analysis – Analysis of data was done by using SPSS (Statistical program for social science version 16.0). Mean, percentage, +/- S.D. , +/- S.E. , t and p value were calculated. Paired t test was used for calculating the 't' value.

The results were interpreted as

Pvalue > 0.05 Insignificant Pvalue < 0.01-0.05 Significant Pvalue < 0.01 & < 0.001 Highly Significant

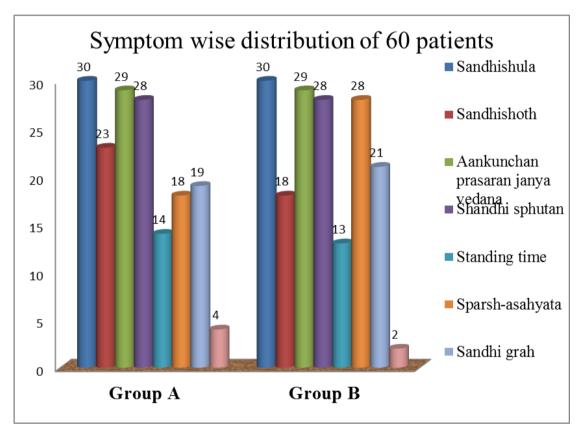
Criteria for Assessing The Total Effect

Considering the overall improvement as show by the patient in sign and symptoms, the total effect of the therapy has been assessed as below.

- 1. Marked improvement 76-100% relief in sign and symptoms
- 2. Moderate improvement 51-75% relief in sign and symptoms
- 3. Mild improvement 26-50% relief in sign and symptoms
- 4. Unchanged 0-25% relief in sign and symptoms

S.N.	Summton	No. of	patients	Total	Dorcontago	
5. N.	Symptom	Group A	Group B	Total	Percentage	
1.	Sandhishula	30	30	60	100%	
2.	Sandhishoth	23	18	41	68.33%	
3.	Aankunchan prasaran janya vedana	29	29	58	96.67%	
4.	Shandhi sphutan	28	28	56	93.33%	
5.	Standing time	14	13	27	45.00%	
6.	Sparsh-asahyata	18	28	46	76.67%	
7.	Sandhi grah	19	21	40	66.67%	
8.	Dah	4	2	6	10.00%	

Symptom wise distribution of 60 patients.



Percentage of relief in chief complaints (Subjective) in 30 Patients of Group A.

S.	Sign and Symptoms		Before	e Treat	tment	(BT)		After	Treat	ment (AT)	% of
N.	Sign and Symptoms	G0	G1	G2	G3	Total	G0	G1	G2	G3	Total	relief
1.	Sandhishula	0	8	18	4	56	10	20	0	0	20	64.29%
2.	Sandhishoth	7	22	1	0	24	20	10		0	10	58.33%
3.	Aankunchan prasaran janya vedana	1	14	10	5	49	19	11	0	0	11	77.55%
4.	Shandhi-sphutan	2	17	8	3	42	9	21	0	0	21	50.00%
5.	Standing time	16	12	1	1	17	30	0	0	0	0	100%
6.	Sparsh-asahyata	12	14	3	1	23	27	3	0	0	3	86.96%
7.	Sandhi grah	11	4	7	8	42	24	5	1	0	7	83.33%
8.	Dah	26	4	0	0	4	29	1	0	0	1	75.00%

S.N.	Sign and		Before Treatment(BT)					After	Treat	ment (AT)	% of relief
0.14	Symptoms	G0	G1	G2	G3	Total	G0	G1	G2	G3	Total	
1.	Sandhishula	0	5	23	2	57	4	26	0	0	26	54.39%
2.	Sandhishoth	12	13	5	0	23	25	5	0	0	5	78.26%
3.	Aankunchan prasaran janya vedana	1	18	8	3	43	16	14	0	0	14	67.44%
4.	Shandhi-sphutan	2	15	11	2	43	5	25	0	0	25	41.86%
5.	Standing time	17	11	2	0	15	29	1	0	0	1	93.33%
6.	Sparsh-asahyata	2	21	5	2	37	26	3	1	0	5	86.49%
7.	Sandhi grah	9	3	12	6	45	19	6	5	0	16	64.44%
8.	Dah	28	1	1	0	3	29	1	0	0	1	66.67%

Percentage of relief in chief complaints (Subjective) in 30 Patients of Group B.

Statistical analysis showing the effect of therapy on various sign and symptoms in 30 patients of Group A.

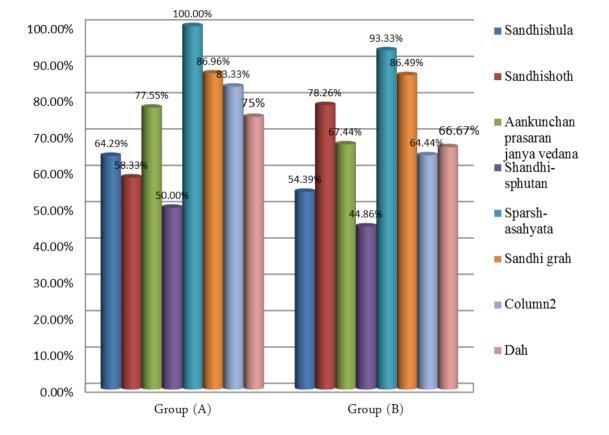
S.	Sign and	Me	ean	Mean	% of relief	S.D.	S.E.	t-Value	p-Value	Remark
N.	Symptos	BT	AT	Difference	70 OI Tellel	(+/-)	(+/-)	t-value	p-value	Kennark
1	Sandhishula	1.87	0.67	1.20	64.29%	0.664	.121	9.893	0.000	HS
2	Sandhishoth	.80	0.30	0.5 0	58.33%	0.508	.092	5.385	0.000	HS
3	Aankunchan prasaran janya vedana	1.63	0.37	1.27	77.55%	0.691	.126	10.033	0.000	HS
4	Shandhi- sphutan	1.40	0.37	1.03	50.00%	.809	.148	6.998	0.002	HS
5	Sparsh- asahyata	0.57	0.00	0.57	83.33%	.728	.113	4.264	0.326	HS
6	Sandhi grah	0.83	0.10	0.73	100%	.785	.143	5.117	0.001	HS
7	Standing time	1.40	0.23	1.67	86.96%	1.085	.198	5.887	0.000	HS
8	Dah	.13	.03	.10	75.00%	.305	.058	1.795	.083	NS

Statistical analysis showing the effect of therapy on various sign and symptoms in 30 patients of Group B.

S.N.	Sign and Symptos	Me	ean	Mean Difference	% of relief	S.D. (+/-)	S.E. (+/-)	t-value	p-value	Remark
		BT	AT	Difference	rener	(+/-)	(+/-)			
1	Sandhishula	1.97	0.87	1.10	54.39%	0.403	.074	14.966	0.000	HS
2	Sandhishoth	.77	0.17	0.60	78.26%	0.621	0.113	5.288	0.000	HS
3	Aankunchan prasaran janya vedana	1.43	0.47	0.97	67.86%	0.850	0.155	6.227	0.000	HS
4	Shandhi-sphutan	1.43	0.83	0.60	41.86%	0.621	0.113	5.288	0.002	HS
5	Sparsh-asahyata	0.50	0.03	0.47	93.33%	0.629	0.115	4.065	0.326	HS
6	Sandhi grah	0.23	0.17	0.07	86.49%	0.450	0.082	12.990	0.001	HS
7	Standing time	1.47	0.53	.93	64.44%	.828	0.151	6.176	0.000	HS
8	Dah	.10	.03	.07	66.67%	.254	.046	1.439	.161	NS

Percentage table of intensity and improvement of pre and post-operative symptoms of Sandhigatavata in group A and group B patients.

S.N.	Sign and Symptoms	Group (A)	Group (B)
1.	Sandhishula	64.29%	54.39%
2.	Sandhishoth	58.33%	78.26%
3.	Aankunchan prasaran janya vedana	77.55%	67.44%
4.	Shandhi-sphutan	50.00%	44.86%
5.	Sparsh-asahyata	100%	93.33%
6.	Sandhi grah	86.96%	86.49%
7.	Standing time	83.33%	64.44%
8.	Dah	75.00%	66.67%



Comparative description of improvement percentage of symptoms achieved in

Statistical showing the effect of therapy on various objective criteria in 30 patients of group A.

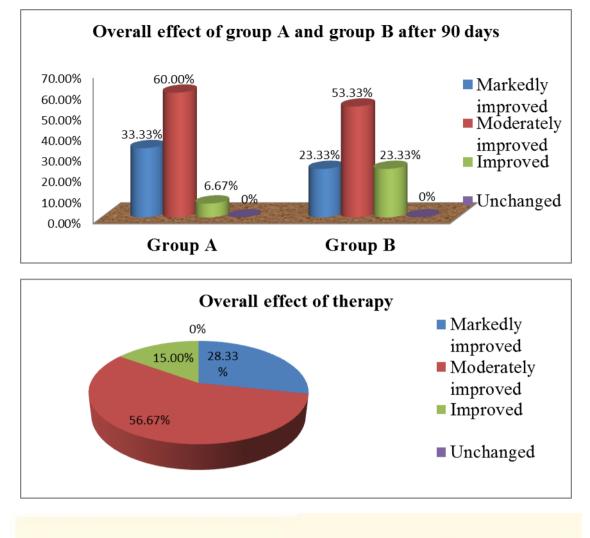
S.N.	Objective	Mean		Mean	% of	S.D.	S.E.	t-	p-	Remark
3. 1 .	parameters	BT	AT	Difference	relief	(+/-)	(+/-)	value	value	кешагк
1	Hb%	14.52	11.53	2.99	20.59%	16.966	3.097	.966	.342	NS
2	TLC	44.77	40.50	4.27	9.54%	14.443	2.637	1.618	.116	NS
3	ESR	144.13	135.10	9.03	6.27%	43.510	7.943	1.137	265	NS
4	R.B.S.	24.23	8.43	.023	-0.27%	1.380	.252	093	.927	NS

Statistical showing the effect of therapy on various objective criteria in 30 patients of group B.

S.N.	Objective	Mean		Mean	% of	S.D.	S.E.	t voluo	n voluo	Remark
9.IN.	5.N. parameters	BT	AT	Difference	relief	(+/-)	(+/-)	t-value	p-value	Kemark
1	Hb%	8.46	12.54	.020	0.16%	.969	1.77	.115	.909	NS
2	TLC	12.56	34.57	.200	0.56%	10.841	1.979	.101	.920	NS
3	ESR	34.77	113.20	8.600	-8.22%	41.612	7.597	-1.132	.267	NS
4	R.B.S.	104.60	8.97	.167	1.83%	1.336	.244	.684	.500	NS

Comparison of overall effect of group A and B.

		Gro	up A	Gro	oup B	Total	
S.N.	Assessment	No. of patients	%	No. of patients	%	No. of patients	%
1.	Markedly improved (76-100%)	10	33.33%	7	23.33%	17	28.33%
2.	Moderately improved (51-75%)	18	60%	16	53.33%	34	56.67%
3.	Improved (26-50%)	2	6.67%	7	23.33%	9	15.00%
4.	Unchanged (0%-25%)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Total	30		30		60	100%





DISCUSSION

- Chief complains reported were *Sandhishula* observed in 100%, *Akunchana prasarana janya vedana* in 96.67%, *Sandhisphutan* in 93.33%, *Sparsh asahyata* in 76.67%, *Sandhi shoth* in 68.33%, *Sandhigrah* in 66.67%, Reduce standing time in 45.00% and *Dah* in 10.00% of patients.
- The subjective parameter, improvement in cardinal sign and symptoms in the present study is 64.29% & 54.39% in Sandhishula, 58.33% & 78.26% in Sandhishoth, 77.55% & 67.44% in Aankunchana prasarana janya vedna, 50.00% & 41.86% in Sandhisphutan, 100% & 93.33% in Sparsh asahyata, 86.96% & 86.49% in Sandhigrah, 83.33% & 64.44% in Reduced standing time, 75.00% & 66.67% in Dah among Trail Group A (Adityapaka Guggulu and Balashaireey Taila) & Trail Group B (Adityapaka Guggulu and Shatpushpadi Lepa) respectively. This show the case achieved more benefit by Trail Group A than Trail Group B.
- The objective parameters, the study was evaluated in percentage against different objectives. The percentage being 20.59% & 0.16% in Hb%, 9.54% & 0.56% in TLC (WBC), 6.27% & -8.22% in ESR, -0.27% & 1.83% in Random Blood Sugar (RBS), among Trail Group A and Trail Group B respectively. Both the group shows Non Significant result but the cases achieved more benefit in Trail Group A than trail Group B.
- The clinical assessment of result shows that in Group A maximum patient 10 (33.33%) were markedly improved, 18 (60%) showed moderately improved, 2 (6.67%) were improved.
- Where as in Group B, 7 (23.33%) patient were markedly improved, 16 (53.33%) patient showed moderately improved and 7 (23.33%) patient were improved. Hence it can be said that both combinations *Adityapaka Guggulu* with *Balashaireey Taila* and *Adityapaka Guggulu* with *Shatpushpadi Lepa* play important role in the management of *Sandhigatavata*.

CONCLUSION

- Both groups (group A and group B) are effective in the management of *Sandhigatavata* but Group A (*Adityapaka Guggulu* and *Balashaireey Taila*) is more effective in the remission of the symptoms of *Sandhigatavata* as evidenced by statistically significant reduction in the symptom score.
- On the basis of the symptoms, the drugs gave very encouraging results in addition to *Sandhisphutan* and *Sandhishoth*.
- Drugs in both groups appeared to be effective for subjective parameters of the disease.
- Changes were also seen in x-rays
- The treatment is effective and equally safe.

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