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# THE ROLE OF BHUMYAMALAKI KWATH GHANVATI IN THE MANAGEMENT OF MADHUMEHA

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Diabetes mellitus is a significant health epidemic that has afflicted humanity from the dawn of civilization. It is a well-known multifactorial metabolic condition marked by unusually high blood glucose levels caused by a shortage of insulin, either absolute or relative. Diabetes has become much more common in recent years as a result of sedentary lifestyles and poor eating habits, which are the primary etiological causes of the condition. According to the latest IDF data, India now has 72.9 million individuals living with diabetes. *Madhumeha*, a kind of *Vataja Prameha* characterized by the passage of an excessive volume of sweet urine, is recorded in ancient Ayurvedic scriptures. This article is a case study of a 52 years male patient with signs & symptoms of *Madhumeha*. Patient was treated with ayurvedic medicine and principles of Ayurveda according to *Rogavastha* and *Doshavastha*. This case study shows potential of Ayurveda and it proves Ayurveda has evidence-based treatment. Single drug of plant origin along with *Nidana Parivarjana* is given to the patient. *Bhumyamalaki* is mentioned in *Yogratnakar* in *Prameha Chikitsa* and also *Raja Nighantu* has described it in *Parpartadi Varga*. So patient was treated with *Bhumyamalaki Kwatha Ghanavati* along with life style modification.

**KEYWORDS**: Diabetes Mellitus, Madhumeha, Bhumyamalaki, Nidana Parivarjana.

# INTRODUCTION

Diabetes mellitus was named Madhumeha by ancient Indian physicians because sufferers' urine attracted ants. The illness *Prameha* has a *Vataja* sub-type called Madhumeha. This sickness, known in Ayurveda as Mahagada, [1] has been plaguing humans since the dawn of time, and the evidence of this disease and its repercussions is growing by the day. It's a group of clinical conditions that include obesity, prediabetes, diabetes, and metabolic syndrome. The cardinal symptom of sickness *Prameha* is described in Ayurvedic books as "Prabhootavila Mutrata," or the excretion of large amounts of turbid urine, which is similar to the sign of Diabetes mellitus described in current sources. [2] According to epidemiological research, the global incidence of diabetes in adults is rising, with 424.9 million persons diagnosed in 20173. India is no exception to this worldwide trend, with the world's second-highest number of diabetics. Diabetes mellitus is

a collection of metabolic illnesses defined by long-term hyperglycemia caused by impaired insulin production, insulin action, or both. The symptoms of hyperglycemia (high blood sugar) include frequent urine (polyuria), increased thirst (polydipsia), and increased appetite (hyperglycemia) (polyphagia). Diabetes mellitus can progress to diabetic ketoacidosis, non-ketotic hyperosmolar coma, heart disease, stroke, kidney failure (nephropathy), foot ulcers, retinopathy, cataracts, and glaucoma if left untreated.

Santarpanajanya Tridoshaja Vyadhi Prameha is a Santarpanajanya Tridoshaja Vyadhi Prameha is Santarpanajanya Tri-dosha Excessive Pramehotpadaka Ahara-Vihara, according to Sushruta, causes the vitiation of Aparipakva Vata, Pitta, and Kapha, which then mixes with Medodhatu. [4] These vitiated Dosha and Dhatus descend through the Mutravaha Strotas, generating Prameha. Madhumeha (Vataja Prameha) is classified as

Asadhya, or incurable, according to Ayurveda, although it may be treated. Shamana Chikitsa (drug intake), Shodhana Chikitsa (panchakarma treatment), and Pathya Aahara Vihara are all examples of Ayurvedic management (dietary modification and lifestyle changes). [5]

**AIM**: To study Effect of *Bhumyamalaki Kwath Ghanvati* in The Management of *Madhumeha*.

**OBJECTIVE**: To study role of *Bhumyamalaki Kwath Ghanvati* to reduce sign and symptoms of *Madhumeha* with special reference to Diabetes Mellitus.

#### CASE REPORT

A 52-year-old male patient having following complaints was came in OPD of Kayachikitsa Department, PDEA'S College of Ayurved and Research Centre, Nigdi Pune.

# **Chief Complaints**

Daurbalya Kshudha-Vrudhdhi Pipasavritti Prabhut-Mutrata Nakta-Mutrata Hasta-padatala Daha

Since last 6 months

## **CASE HISTORY**

52 years male patient came to OPD with Above complaints since last 6 months. he was Previously diagnosed with Diabetes mellitus. Patient was not willing for Allopathy medicines. So for Ayurvedic management, patient came to Kayachikitsa OPD for further treatment and management.

**Past History:** K/C/O: Diabetes Mellitus since last 1 month.

**Present Medicinal History**: No Any Medication.

**Family History:** *Matruj Kula: Jivit. Pitruj Kula: Mruta.* (H/O: Hypertension)

**Past Surgical History:** No History of any major Surgery.

#### **General examination**

Temperature	98.4 F
RR	18/ Min
Pulse rate	84 /Min
Blood pressure	120/80 mm of Hg

#### **Systemic Examination**

RS	AEBE
CVS	S1 S2 Normal
CNS	Conscious, oriented
P/A	Soft and Non tender

# Ashtavidha Parikshan

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Nadi	Manduk Gati
Mutra	9-10 times in 24 hour
Mala	Asamyak
Jivha	Sama
Shabda	Spashta
Sparsha	Samshitoshna
Druk	Prakrit
Akruti	Madhyam

Vyadhi Nidana: Madhumeha.

## Management

# Bhumyamalaki Kwatha Ghanavati

Yog Ratnakar in its Prameha Prakaran chapter mentioned that even incurable Prameha (Madhumeha) can be cured with intake of Bhumyamalaki 20 gm and Maricha twenty in number are pounded together and taken. It alleviates Madhumeha within a week. So Bhumyamalaki was selected for the treatment of Madhmeha.

# Drug: Bhumyamalaki Kwath Ghanvati

• Matra: 500mg 2 tablets twice a day

• Anupana: Sukoshna Jala

• Aushadhasevan Kala: Vyano-Udane

• Duration: 90 days

Table 1: Latin Name, Family and Part use in of Dravya in Bhumyamalaki Kwath Ghanvati.

No.	Drug	Latin Name	Family	Part Used
1.	Bhumyamalaki <sup>[6]</sup>	Phyllantus Niruri	Euphorbiaceae	Panchanga
2.	Marich <sup>[7]</sup>	Piper Nigrum	Piperaceae	Phala

Table 2: Rasa, Virya, Vipaka, Doshaghnata and Karma of Dravya in Bhumyamalaki Kwath Ghanvati.

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No.	Drug	Rasa	Virya	Vipaka	Guna	Doshghanata	Karma	
1.	Bhumyamalaki	Tikta, Kashaya	Sheeta	Madhur	Laghu, Ruksha	Kapha-Pittaghna	Shwas-Kasahara, Pramehahara	
2.	Marich	Katu	Ushna	Katu	Laghu, Tikshna, Sukshma	Kapha-Vatghna	Deeipaniya, Krimighna, Shoolaghna	

Table No. 3: Showing Observation and results: Subjective Parameters.

Symptoms <sup>[8]</sup>	Gradation Gradation	Grade	BT	AT
Daurbalya	None	0		1
	Increased fatigue over baseline but not altering normal activities	1	2	
	moderate- causing difficulty performing some activities	2		
	severe- loss of ability to perform some activities	3		
	bedridden or disabling	4		
	Taking diet three times a day (without any supplementary)	0		
	Taking diet three times a day (with some supplementary diet)	1		
Kshudhavridhdhi	Taking diet 4 times a day (with supplementary diet)	2	3	0
	Taking diet more than 4-5 times a day	3		
	Taking diet more than 5 times a day	4		
Pipasavritti	Average of 2-3litres of water intake in 24 hours	0		1
	Average of more than 3 liters of water intake in 24 hours	1		
	Average of more than 4 liters of water intake in 24 hours	2	3	
	Average of more than 5 liters of water intake in 24 hours.	3		
	Average of more than 6 liters of water intake in 24 hours.	4		
	None at all and turbidity absent.	0		
	Less than 1 in 5 times and turbidity absent	1		
Prabhut-Mutrata	Less than half the time and turbidity present.	2	3	0
	More than half the time and turbidity present.	3		
	Almost always and turbidity present.	4		
Hasta-Padatala Daha	No burning sensations.	0		1
	Burning sensation that is not continuous does not disturb routine	1		
	Continuous burning sensation does not disturb routine activity	2	2	
	Severe continuous burning sensation disturbs routine activity.	3		1
	Severe continuous burning sensation disturbs routine activity and	4		
	Sleep	4		
	None at all	0	]	0
	1-2 times	1	]	
Nakta-Mutrata	3-4 times	2	3	
	5-6 times	3	]	
	More than 6 times	4		

Table No. 4: Showing Observation and results: Objective Parameter.

ParameterBTATBlood Sugar Fasting (mg/dl)156100Blood Sugar Post Prandial (mg/dl)200126

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# DISCUSSION

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The condition of *Prameha*, as described by *Acharya* Charaka, is considered as a long-lasting ailment, and in modern terms, it corresponds to diabetes mellitus. India has unfortunately seen a surge in diabetes cases, mainly due to factors like genetic predisposition, urbanization, insulin resistance, and changes in lifestyle. The impact of technology and reduced physical activity has played a role in this. Managing diabetes is crucial. While modern medicine offers treatments like oral medications and insulin, there's a need for a safer and more effective remedy. Ayurveda suggests that an ideal treatment should not only address the disease but also avoid causing new health issues.

In *Prameha*, imbalances in *Agni* disrupt the balance of *Tridosha*, leading to improper conversion of ingested substances into *Ama*, affecting the process of tissue

formation. This disruption impacts the metabolic fire of each bodily tissue, particularly fat tissues. Therefore, treatment aims at restoring Agni to its normal state and reducing Kapha-Meda (fat tissue) while enhancing overall strength as all bodily tissues are involved. Bhumyamalaki (Phyllanthus niruri Linn.) consists of constituents like active phyllanthin. hypophyllanthin in leaves, estradiol in bark, root and ellagic acid, gallic acid as a whole plant. The drug has shown significant anti-diabetic activity, inflammatory, hepatoprotective activity and stomachic activity. Yog Ratnakar has also mentioned in Prameha Prakarana that even incurable Prameha (Madhumeha) can be cured with intake of Bhumyamalaki with of Black pepper.

Bhumyamalaki has Tikta, Kashaya & Madhura Rasa; Laghu, Ruksha Guna; Madhura Vipaka and Kapha-Pittahara Dosha Karma. (Table No. 2) Tikta Rasa is Kleda Upashoshaka. Also, it may be due to improved blood sugar level brought about by the anti-diabetic action of the drug which reduces osmotic diuresis. Tikta & Kashaya Rasa of Bhumyamalaki are Mutra Sangrahaniya. Bhumyamalaki consists of Madhura Vipaka and Sheeta Veerya. Also, Madhura Vipaka is

Dhatuvardhaka which leads to proper formation of Rasa Dhatu and thus by working on Rasa Dhatu it will also work & nourish the rest of Agrima Dhatus and thus providing energy to cells. Hence it acts as Balya and Rasayana by promoting all Dhatu. Tikta Rasa is Akash & Vayu dominant which leads to Srotoshodhana by which insulin resistance is also corrected. This leads to better utilization of glucose. Due to Madhura & Tikta Virya and Madura Vipaka of Rasa. Sheeta Bhumyamalaki pacifies Pitta leading to reduction in Daha in Kara-Pada Tala. Tikta Rasa also helps in eliminating excessive Mukh Madhurta which is due to aggravated Kapha; which leads to Shoshana of Kapha (Mala) and also causing Srotomukh Shodhana by which it cleanses mouth that increases mucus secretion of both mouth and throat; hence overcoming dryness of mouth and hence acting on Mula of Udakavaha Srotas i.e., Talu and Kloma. Tikta rasa possess Trishna- Nigrahana (Mala Rupa Kapha) property which reduces thirst.

## CONCLUSION

In this case study we got good result of *Bhumyamali Kwatha Ghanavati* in the treatment of *Madhumeha* in both subjective and objective parameter. (Table No. 3 and 4) The Ayurvedic Concepts in Diabetes, having fruitful effect; be planned and evaluated systematically, adopting meticulous methods.

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