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Review Article of *Mahasugandhadi Agada*

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Abstract

The science of medicine came into existence with the existence of life because the science of medicine was the need of life and since then it has been developing. Gradually, many diseases are involved as science and time is advancing. Different paths based on different doctrines with their vivid understandings of the different diseases tried to give specific theories. Ayurveda is a science that has specific doctrines based on which it flourishes. Its diagnostic approach is based on Nidana Panchaka. In Ayurveda, a special drug for Visha is called Agada. So, in this research paper, *Mahasugandhadi Agada* is one of them. So, this paper aims to present the details of *Mahasugandhadi Agada*.

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1. INTRODUCTION

According to WHO, the “Drug” is defined as the substance that when taken into the living organism, may modify one of its functions of that organism. In Ayurveda “Drug” has been given more importance for the treatment and prevention of the disease. Charaka has included it under ‘Trisutra of Ayurveda’ (C.Su. 1/24) and considered it at 2nd place in the vital four folds of treatment (C.Su. 9/3). According to Ayurveda, there is nothing in the world that does not have medicinal value even though it is a poison. So, it solely depends upon the physician’s skill to make a drug a beneficial one or a harmful one. The drug is said to be ideal which curing diseases without any side effects. Emphasizing this fact, Ayurveda gave a comprehensive approach about the complete knowledge of the drugs, right

from the procurement, identification, processing, and its application. Every physician might know the medicinal value of every drug. Along with this, it is a Physician’s responsibility to know the medicinal properties of the drugs clinically i.e. by experience. Drugs that are specifically used for the treatment of poisonous cases are known as ‘Agada’. Only a few Oushada Yogas are used at present to treat Snake poisoning. The reason for the above matter is the non-availability and controversy of the ingredients included in the Oushada Yogas mentioned in the classical texts. In Ayurveda, there are eight branches. *Agadatantra* is one branch among the eight branches. *Agadatantra* mainly deals with the Agadas (Antidot). *Mahasugandhadi Agada* is one special drug for Visha.

2. MATERIAL AND METHODS

Ayurvedic view of *Mahasugandhadi* Agada. So, details of *Mahasugandhadi* Agada are as follows –

Mahasugandhadi Agenda:

(su.k. 1/ 65-69) (su. K. 6/ 14-27)

चन्दनागुरुणी कुष्ठं तगरं तिलपर्णिकम् | प्रपौण्डरीकं नलदं सरलं देवदारु च ||१४||
 भद्रश्रियं यवफलां भार्गी नीलीं सुगन्धिकाम् | कालेयकं पद्मकं च मधुकं नागरं जटाम् ||१५||
 पुन्नागैलैलवालूनि गैरिकं ध्यामकं बलाम् | तोयं सर्जरसं मासीं शतपुष्णां हरेणुकाम् ||१६||
 तालीशपत्रं क्षुद्रैलां प्रियङ्गं सकुटन्नटम् | शिलापुष्णं सशैलेयं पत्रं कालानुसारिवाम् ||१७||
 कटुत्रिकं शीतशिवं काशर्मर्यं कटुरोहिणीम् | सोमराजीमतिविषां पृथिकामिन्द्रवारुणीम् ||१८||
 उशीरं वरुणं मुस्तं कुस्तुम्बुरु नखं तथा | श्वेते हरिद्रे स्थौरेयं लाक्षां च लवणानि च ||१९||
 कुमुदोत्पलपद्मानि पुष्णं चापि तथाऽर्कजम् | चम्पकाशोकसुमनस्तिल्वकप्रसवानि च ||२०||
 पाटलीशाल्मलीशैलुशिरीषाणां तथैव च | कुसमं तृणमूल्याश्च सुरभीसिम्बुवारजम् ||२१||
 धवाश्वकर्णपार्थनां पुष्णाणि तिनिशस्य च | गुग्गुलुं कुड़कुमं बिम्बीं सर्पक्षीं गन्धनाकुलीम् ||२२||
 एतत् सम्भृत्य सम्भारं सूक्ष्मचूर्णानि कारयेत् | गोपित्तमधुसर्पिर्भुर्युक्तं शृङ्गं निधापयेत् ||२३||
 भग्रस्कम्यं विवृताक्षं मृत्योर्दृष्टान्तरं गतम् | अनेनागदमुख्येन मनुष्णं पुनराहरेत् ||२४||
 एषोऽग्निकल्पं दुर्वरं क्रुद्धस्यामिततेजसः | विषं नागपतेर्हस्यात् प्रसभं वासुकेरपि ||२५||
 महासुगन्धिनामाऽयं पञ्चाशीत्यङ्गसंयुतः | राजाऽगदानां सर्वेषां राजो हस्ते भवेत् सदा ||२६||
 स्रातानुलिप्तस्तु नृपो भवेत् सर्वजनप्रियः | भ्राजिष्णुतां च लभते शत्रुमध्यगतोऽपि सन् ||२७||

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28. bile of cow,
29. ghee,
30. honey

Name of the Drug	Latin Name	Family	Properties (Ayurveda)	Properties (Modern)
<i>Chandana</i>	<i>Santalum album</i>	Santalaceae	Rasa: tikta, madhur Guna: laghu, ruksha Virya: shita Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: kapha- pitta shamaka	Anti-bacterial, anti-viral, antifungal, antioxidant, antipyretic, haemostatic, cooling
<i>Agru</i>	<i>Aquilaria agalloch</i>	thymelaeaceae	Rasa: katu, tikta Guna: laghu, teekshna Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: kapha- vata shamaka	stimulant, antiasthmatic, carminative, tonic, aphrodisiac and astringent
<i>Kushtha</i>	<i>Saussurea lappa</i>	Asteraceae	Rasa: tikta, katu, madhura Guna: laghu, ruksha, tikshna Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: kafa- vata shamak	Laxative, Diuretic, Stimulant, and Alternative, Anti-convulsant, Anti-hysterical, Digestant, Carminative, Appetizer, Analgesic, Uterine stimulant, Emmenagogue, Lactagogue
<i>Yavaphala</i>	<i>Hordeum vulgare</i>	Gramineae	Rasa: Madhur, Kashaya Guna: guru, ruksha, Virya: shita Vipaka: madhur Doshakarma: pitta-kafahara vatakaraka	
<i>Bharangi</i>	<i>Clerodendrum serratum</i>	Verbinaceae	Rasa: Tikta, Katu Guna: ruksha, laghu Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: kafa- vatahara	anti-bacterial, anti-helminthic, anti-inflammatory
Jata	<i>Nardostachys jatamansi</i>	Valerianaceae	Rasa: tikta, Kashaya, madhur Guna: laghu, snigdha Virya: shita Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: pitta- kafa	Anticataleptic, Antioxidant & Stress-relieving, Nootropic Activity, Antifungal & Antibacterial, Anticancer, Hepatoprotective, Antidepressant
Nagara	<i>Ferula asafoetida</i>	Umbelliferae	Rasa: Katu, Kashaya, tikta Guna: ruksha, laghu Virya: shita Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: pitta- kaphahara, vata karaka	anthelmintic, anti-inflammatory, carminative, antifungal, antibacterial
Priyangu	<i>Callicarpa macrophylla</i>	Verbenaceae	Rasa: Tikta, Kashaya, Madhur Guna: laghu, ruksha Virya: shita Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: tridoshamashamaka	Anti-inflammatory, antibacterial, analgesic, anti-arthritic, antifungal, antidiabetic, Cytotoxic, acute toxicity and phytotoxic activity, Hepatoprotective
<i>Bala</i>	<i>Sida cordifolia</i>	Malvaceae	Rasa: madhur Guna: laghu, snigdha, picchila Virya: shita Vipaka: madhura Doshakarma: tridoshahara	CNS depressant, analgesic, anti-inflammatory, hypotensive, antidiabetic
<i>Toya</i>	<i>Piper nigrum</i>	Piperaceae	Rasa: Katu Guna: laghu, rukha, teekshna Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: kapha-vata shamaka	Antioxidant, Anti-inflammatory, Cardioprotective, Hepatoprotective
<i>Sarjrasa</i>	<i>Piper longum</i>	Piperaceae	Rasa: Katu, madhur Guna: laghu, snigdha Virya: anushna Vipaka: madhur Doshakarma: kapha-vata shamaka	Antioxidant, Anti-inflammatory, Cardioprotective, Hepatoprotective
<i>Punnaga</i>	<i>Plumbago zeylanica</i>	Plumbaginaceae	Rasa: katu Guna: laghu, ruksha, tikshna Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: kapha-vata shamaka	Antioxidant, Anti-inflammatory, Cardioprotective, Hepatoprotective
<i>Satpushpa</i>	<i>Anethum sowa</i>	Umbelliferae	Rasa: katu, tikta Guna: laghu, tikshna Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: Kafa- Vatashamaka	diuretic, carminative antibacterial, antiseptic, antispasmodic, cardio depressant, digestive

Elavaluka	Prunus cerasus	Rosaceae	Rasa: kashaya .Guna: laghu Virya: shita Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: Kafa- Vatashamaka	
Gairika	Red ochre		Rasa: Madhur, kashaya .Guna: snigdha Virya: shita Vipaka: madhur Doshakarma: kapha- pitta shamaka	
Dhyamaka	Valeriana pyrolifolia	Caprifoliaceae	Rasa: katu, tikta .Guna: laghu, ruksha, tikshna Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: Kapha- Vatahara	Antibacterial, antioxidant, sedative, hypnotic, antispasmodic, analgesic, antidepressant, anxiolytic
Katunnata	Oroxylum indicum	Bignoniaceae	Rasa: madhur, tikta, kashaya .Guna: laghu, ruksha Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: kafa- vata shamaka	anti-inflammatory, diuretic, astringent, expectorant, anti-arthritis, antipyretic, aphrodisiac antifungal and antibacterial, antitumor
Silapushpa	Parmelia perlata	Parmeliaceae	Rasa: tikta, Kashaya .Guna: laghu, snigdha Virya: shita Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: Kapha- pittahara	Antibacterial, anti-diabetic, hepatoprotective, antioxidant, cytotoxic
Saileyapatra	Parmelia perlata	Parmeliaceae	Rasa: tikta, Kashaya .Guna: laghu, snigdha Virya: shita Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: Kapha- pittahara	Antibacterial, anti-diabetic, hepatoprotective, antioxidant, cytotoxic
Kalanusariva	Trigonella foenum-graecum	Fabaceae	Rasa: Katu, Tikta .Guna: Laghu, Snigdha Veerya: Ushna Vipaka: Katu Doshakarma: Kapha- vata hara	antidiabetic, antihyperlipidemic, ant obesity, anticancer, anti-inflammatory, antioxidant, antifungal, antibacterial, galactagogue
Usira	Vetiveria zizanioides	Graminae	Rasa: tikta, madhur .Guna: laghu, ruksha Virya: shita Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: vata- pittahara	antibacterial, antifungal, anticataleptic, analgesic and anti-inflammatory, anti-oxidant
Guggulu	Commiphora wightii	Burseraceae	Rasa: tikta, katu .Guna: laghu, ruksha, vishada, sookshma, sara Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: tridosahara	anti-inflammatory, anti-arthritis, anti-hypercholesterolemic, Hypolipidemic, antioxidant, Cardioprotective, Cytotoxic, Antiatherosclerosis, Antifertility, Antihyperglycemic, antimicrobial
Kumkuma	Crocus sativus	Iridaceae	Rasa: katu, tikta .Guna: snigdha Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: tridosahara	antiviral, antimicrobial, antioxidant, anti-cancer, anti-inflammatory
Bimbi	Coccinia indica	Cucurbitaceae	Rasa: tikta .Guna: Laghu, Ruksha, tikshna Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: kafa- pittahara	Anti- hyperglycaemic, anti- microbial, anti-inflammatory, analgesic, renoprotective
Sarpakshi	Ophiorrhiza mungos	Rubiaceae	Rasa: katu, tikta Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu	Anti-cancer, antivenom
Musta	Cyperus rotundus	Cyperaceae	Rasa: katu, tikta, kashaya .Guna: laghu, ruksha Virya: shita Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: Pittakaphahara, Shleshmaraktajit	Anti-inflammatory, wound healing activity, anti-microbial, anti-platelet, anti-malarial, anti-convulsant, hepatoprotective, ant-obesity, antidiabetic, antioxidant
Haridra	Curcuma longa	Zingiberaceae	Rasa: tikta, katu .Guna: laghu, ruksha Virya: ushna Vipaka: katu Doshakarma: Kapha-pittahara	Anti-inflammatory, antibacterial, antidiabetic, anthelmintic, hepatoprotective, hypolipidemic, antihistaminic, antifungal

Method of preparation



Indications

- The symptoms that characterize cases of poisoning commencing with "poisoning through poisoned smoke" and ending with that due to the use of "poisoned ornaments" should be remedied with an eye to each of the specific and characteristic indications.
- Snakebite (Vasuki snake bite), Bent shoulders

Mode of administration

- Administered as a drink, unguent, snuff, and Anjana.
- Oral administration, local application.

The action of Yoga

The combination of this yoga has a special action as vishaghna in any *visha* (Jangama or Sthavara) as per the classical reference. In the *phalaruti*, it is said that the usage of this yoga removes all the toxicity of Sarpa *visha*.

3. CONCLUSION

- Mahasugandhadiagada* is best for any disorders due to *visha*.
- It removes all the toxicity of Sarpa *visha*.
- It is applicable as external & Internal.

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