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Ayurvedic Management Of Punarvartaka Jwara (Recurrent Fever) With Pandutam In A Child – A Case Report

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Abstract - Punarvartaka Jwara is a recurrent fever that arises from a digestive disruption and an insufficient resolution of imbalance of dosha. Such recurring fevers are associated with Mandagni, Ama, Krimi, and Dhatu Kshaya in Ayurveda. In this case study, a 4.5-year-old boy with recurring fever and anaemia was successfully treated with Tapyadi loha, Rajanyadi Churna, and Kirattiktadi Kwatha, and some other Ayurvedic formulations. Within two months, there was a noticeable increase in immunity, digestion, and Hb levels (from 9.0 g/dL to 11.5 g/dL), and there was no recurrence of fever after that. The instance demonstrates how well the Ayurvedic treatment works to treat Punarvartaka Jwara in paediatric patient.

Index Terms - Punarvartaka Jwara, Recurrent Fever, Rajanyadi Churna, Kirattiktadi Kwatha, Ayurveda, Paediatric, Panduta, anaemia, krumikuthar rasa

INTRODUCTION

Punarvartaka Jwara, also known as relapsing fever, is defined in the Charak Samhita as a fever that relapse after a brief period of relief. This occurs mainly because, if a person who has recovered from Jwara turns to forbidden substances before becoming fit, Jwara will relapse. Other important factors include poor digestion, residual doshas, weakened immunity, and Mandagni, Ama, Krimi, and Dhatu Kshaya. Children are particularly at risk because of their under developed immune systems and sensitive Agni. Correcting Agni, getting rid of Ama, controlling Krimi, and strengthening Dhatus with Rasayana therapy are the primary objective of Ayurvedic treatment. Recurrent fever is characterized by multiple episodes of fever separated by periods of wellness, with a minimum of three episodes in a six-month period and at least seven days between febrile episodes²

Punaravartak Jwara

The Doshas may occasionally experience *Paripaka*, or metabolic change, and the fever will eventually go away. However, their negative consequences persist in the form of symptoms in patients such as *Glani* (lassitude), *Dinata* (uneasiness), *Shvayathu* (edema), *Panduta* (pallor or anaemia), itching, urticaria, acne, and suppression of the digestive power.

Similarly, once an illness has been healed, some people experience recurrences of previously cured conditions because the Doshas have not been fully eliminated, despite minimal treatment.³

CASE REPORT

A male patient of 4.5 years old, non-diabetic, non-hypertensive, came with complaints of recurrent fever episodes for 6 months, poor appetite, poor digestion, pallor and weakness. On examination- the general condition of the patient is stable, pulse rate- 68/ min, BP-110/70mmHg, pallor- ++, icterus- absent, weight-13kg, height-95 cm, RS-AE= BE, CVS- S1, S2 normal, no abnormal sound, CNS well conscious, oriented place, person, time. On his CBC- Hb level (9.0g/dl) was found low.

After two-month of Ayurvedic medicines he had found significant relief in symptoms, fever was resolved, digestion improved, pallor reduced and increase in Hb level (11.g/dl). A case report was done by giving Ayurvedic medicines, the line of treatment of *Punaravartak jwara* was followed and marked improvement was noticed.

Diagnosis: Punarvartaka Jwara with Panduta Lakshana (Anemia)

THERAPEUTIC INTERVENTION

Phase 1 (First 14 Days): Jwara and Krimi Management

- Rajanyadi Churna⁴ 320 mg BD with ghee and honey
- Kirattiktadi Kwath⁵ 15 ml BD
- Krimikuthar Rasa⁶ 62.5 mg BD with Trikatu Churna
- *Amrutarishta* 5 ml BD

Phase 2 (Next 14 Days): Raktaprasadana and Dhatu Balya

- Rajanyadi Churna continued (320mg BD with ghee and honey)
- Raktapachak Churna 300mg + Vidanga 200mg + Tapyadi Loha⁷ 125mg BD
- *Kirattiktadi Kwath* continued (15ml BD)
- *Trigunasava* (Kumarias<mark>ava + Lohasava + Drakshasava) 5 ml BD*</mark>

Maintenance Phase (1 Month):

- *Trigunasava** continue<mark>d (5 ml</mark> BD)
- *Proprietary medicine by Dindayal Pharmacy

Diet- Carrot, beetroot, green leafy vegetables, tomato, egg, meat, Gud (jaggery), Draksha, Munakka, raisins, Kharjur, prepare food in Lauh patra etc⁸

OVERALL ASSESSMENT⁸

Clinical Assessment The following clinical findings were assessed before and after the treatment of one month: Vaivarnata (pallor), Daurbalyata (weakness), Shrama (fatigue), Aruchi (anorexia), Kopana or Adhirata (irritability), Jwara (fever)

Laboratory Assessment Complete blood count was assessed pre and post treatment.

• Grading of Clinical Features

- G0 (grade point 0)- No clinical feature/symptom
- G1 (grade point 1)- Mild clinical feature/symptom
- G2 (grade point 2)- Moderate clinical feature/symptom
- G3 (grade point 3)- Severe clinical feature/symptom

• Grading of Blood Haemoglobin Level

- G0- Haemoglobin level > 11g/dL
- G1- Haemoglobin level 9.5g/dL to <11g/dL
- G2- Haemoglobin level 7.5g/dL to <9.5g/dL
- G3- Haemoglobin level 6g/dL to <7.5g/Dl

Overall Assessment of Result

The results were assessed on the basis of observations of clinical features and laboratory findings before and after treatment.

Very good- Improvement 75% and above

Good- Improvement 50% and above but <75 %

Fair- Improvement 25% and above but <50%

Poor- No improvement or marginal improvement <25%

Assessment Before treatment After treatment

Assessment	Initial	Final
Clinical Assessment	G2	G0
Laboratory assessment	G2	G0
Overall assessment		Very good

Before Treatment:	After Treatment:	
 Haemoglobin: 9.0 g/dL 	Haemoglobin: 11.5 g/dL	
RBC Count: 3.87 mil/cmm	RBC Count: 4.49 mil/cmm	
• HCT: 29.9%	HCT: 34.8%	
• MCH: 23.2 pg	MCH: 25.6 pg	
• MCHC: 30.1 g/dL	MCHC: 33.0 g/dL	
• WBC Count: 3,700 /cmm	WBC Count: 7,410 /cmm	
• RBC Morphology: Mild	RBC Morphology: Anisocytosis + (improved)	
hypochromia + anisocytosis		

OUTCOME AND OVERALL ASSESSMENT

- Fever episodes completely resolved
- Hb increased by 2.5 g/dL
- Appetite and energy improved
- No relapse during 1-month follow-up
- Clinical assessment: Very Good (≥75% improvement)

DISCUSSION

The patient presented classical features of *Punarvartaka Jwara* along with *Panduta*. The combination of Deepana-Pachana, Krimighna, Jwaraghna, and Rasayana formulations corrected Agni, eliminated underlying Krimi, and improved Rakta Dhatu. The continued use of Trigunasava maintained the improved status of Agni and prevented relapse. This case reinforces the classical Ayurvedic principle that when root causes such as Agnimandya and Dhatu Kshaya are addressed, long-term results can be achieved.

Rajanyadi Churna⁴- It is used in paediatric population to treat diarrhoea, fever, jaundice, and anaemia by improving digestion strength immunity and skin quality it calms vata pitta. Main ingredient is Rajni (Curcuma

Kirattiktadi kwath⁵- It includes drugs which are of tikta katu rasa and sheeta virya which helps in Amapachan (helps in digestion) and act as *Jwarghna* (anti pyretic). It's main ingredient is *Kirattikta* (*Swertia Chirayita*) Krumikuthar Rasa⁶- Paediatric population has higher tendency to form worms than elder population and most chronic conditions are affected by worms. Krumikuthar rasa act as krumighna (anti-helminthic) with main ingredients as Karpura (Cinnamomum camphora) and Palash seeds (Butea monosperma). It balances Vata and Kapha

Amrutarishta⁹- Amritarishta is a Polyherbal Ayurvedic liquid formulation specifically used for eradication of all types of Jwara (Fever). It contains 5-8% of self-generated natural alcohol with the help of which fast absorption of Amritarishta takes place in body. Its main content is Amrita (Guduchi) (Tinospora Corlifolia), which is natural immunity booster and having Antipyretic action mainly.

CONCLUSION

Punarvartaka Jwara in paediatric practice can be successfully managed using classical Ayurvedic formulations and principles. The case demonstrates that individualized treatment addressing Agni, Ama, and *Dhatu* can prevent recurrence and restore health without side effects.

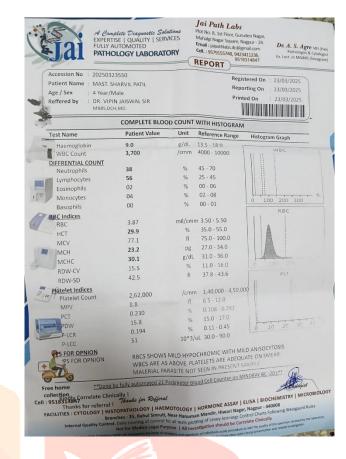
DECLARATION OF PATIENT CONSENT

The author certifies that informed consent was obtained from the patient's guardian. Clinical details and laboratory reports have been shared with confidentiality maintained.

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