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# EFFECT OF JATYADI VARTI IN THE MANAGEMENT OF NADI VRANA W.S.R TO PILONIDAL SINUS – A CASE REPORT

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### ABSTRACT

**Introduction (Background):** Pilonidal sinus is a globally prevalent disease commonly occurring in midline gluteal cleft in young hirsute men belonging to the age group of 20 to 40 years. It is usually seen in obese people. Even though there are advanced surgical procedures that may be performed, these cause longer hospitalization, financial burden and are associated with higher recurrence and complications. Conventional Sarasota is an ideal alternative that is safe, effective and patient friendly. **Main Clinical Findings**: A 34-year-old female present with pain, pus discharge, induration, tenderness at the midline natal cleft area for 1 month. **Diagnosis:** *Nadi Vrana* (Pilonidal sinus). **Intervention:** *Jatyadi Varti* application after proper washed with *Triphala Kwatha*. **Outcome and Conclusion**: Marked improvement in sign and symptoms was observed along with complete healing of the track and healthy granulation tissue within a span of 2 weeks.

Keywords: Nadi Vrana, Pilonidal sinus, Jatyadi Varti

### INTRODUCTION

*Nadi Vrana* refers to a cylindrical tube-like structure with blind end with full of discharge. It forms due to untreated abscess or a result of complication of surgi-

cal procedure, presence of foreign body or other infections. *Nadi Vrana* can form because of secondary infection also <sup>[1]</sup>. *Nadi Vrana* may be compared with sinus or shalyaja/ *Agantuja Nadi Vrana* may be compared with pilonidal sinus. Sinus is a tube-like structure with blind end leading from surface down to the epithelial tissue and is lined by the granulation tissue <sup>[2]</sup>. Pilonidal sinus is a common disease of youngsters and drivers, which occurs in sacrococcygeal regions and forms an abscess. Clinical features of pilonidal sinus are inflammation, swelling, redness, pain and discharge with one of more opening <sup>[3]</sup>. The effective management of *Nadi Vrana* in Ayurveda is *Shodhana, Chedana, Ropana, Ksharasutra* and application of various *Vartis* <sup>[4]</sup>.

*Nadi Vrana* is a Sanskrit compound consisting of terms, *Nadi* meaning track and *Vrana* means ulcer. Therefore, the term implies the wound that is having a track. The synonyms of *Nadi Vrana* are *Nadis-thanam*, *Gathi*, *and Avaram*. According to the classification of Vrana, it comes under *Dushta Vrana*. According to Ayurveda causative factor of *Nadi Vrana* are inadequate drainage of *Apakwa Vrana Shopha* (immature abscess), not draining a matured *Vrana Shopha*, patient does *Ahita Ahara* and *Vihara* or due to *Shalya Nadi Vrana* occur. *Shalyaja Nadi Vrana* [5].

*Nadi Vrana* (Pilonidal sinus), *Vidradhi* (abscess), *Bhagandhara* (fistula in ano) originate from the seventh layer of skin [*Mamsa Dhara Kala*] <sup>[6]</sup>.

Acharya Sushruta describes 8 types of *Nadis Vrana*. Pilonidal sinus comes under *Shalyaja Nadi Vrana* in this foreign body get lost in the body it quickly produces sinus associate with serosanguinous discharge and continuous pain. Acharya Describes in Samhitas different types of chikitsa and Para surgical procedure in Nadi Vrana.

- Shashti Upkarmas of Vrana chikitsa<sup>[7]</sup>
- Sapta Upkarma for Vrana chikitsa [8]
- Kshara Sutra in Nadi Vrana<sup>[9]</sup>
- Varti application in Nadi Vrana
- Agantuja Nadi Vrana Chikitsa<sup>[10]</sup>

Shalya should be removed. Wound filled with *Til Kalka*, Madhu for cleaning or fat healing. Oil is processed with *Nagarmotha*, *Nisoth*, *Priyangu*, *Nagkeshar*, *Lodhra* paste of flower of *Dhaay*.

### Pilonidal sinus

Pilus =Hair; nidus =Nest. Hence Pilonidal means a 'nest of hair'<sup>[11]</sup>. It is a benign disease that often takes a chronic course. Mainly affects inter gluteal furrow. Pilonidal disease was first described by Herbert Mayo in 1833 and named by Hodges in 1880<sup>[12]</sup>. It is also called as 'jeep disease'<sup>44</sup> because it was a common condition among the drivers of American army during the Second World War.More than 80,000 US Army soldiers were hospitalized with this disease during Second World War. Clinical features tenderness, swelling inflammation, pus discharge associate with continuous pain. The major complication is recurrence which may be early or late. Early recurrence due to false identification of track. Late recurrence is always due to the secondary bacterial infection of residual debris which was not completely removed during the surgery. Chronic pilonidal sinus can occasionally cause sacral osteomyelitis, rarely Meningitis when infection occurs sinus to the spinal cord. Pilonidal sinus pathology

### Chikitasa

Hair penetrates the skin. Dermatitis Pustules formation Sinus formation Hair gets stuck in the sinus by Negative pressure in the area Further irritation and granulation tissue formation Pus formation

Multiple discharge sinus Cause of recurrence is due to improper removal of pus loculi, entry of new tuft of hair, breakage of scar, overlooking of existing diverticulum. The contemporary surgical interventions and their recurrence rates have been cited in Table 1

Nonsurgical	Injection sclerosing agent <sup>[13]</sup>	9-27% recurrence rate
	Fibrin glue <sup>[14]</sup>	More recurrence rate
	Cryosurgery <sup>[15]</sup>	20%
	Electro cauterization <sup>[16]</sup>	11%
Surgical	Drainage with or without excision [17]	
	Karydakis flap <sup>[18]</sup>	1.3%
	Bascom <sup>[19]</sup>	4%
Reconstruction technique by transformation flap	Z plasty	1.65%
	V-Y advance flap	5%
	Gluteal Maximus mucocutaneous	10%
	flap	
	Rhomboid or limber flap	High recurrence rate

Table 1 Available	<u>e Modern surger</u>	y and their	recurrences	rates

### **CASE REPORT**

A 34-year company worker female came to our OPD with complaint of severe pain and pus discharge seen at the natal cleft area for 1 month. The patient was uncomfortable sitting and walking due to pain. **Ethical consideration** – NIL Medical history and surgical history -nil N/H/O- DM, CKD, HTN. Gynecological history - Regular Menstrual cycle (28 days), Dysmenorrhea. Family history – H/O similar illness – nil H/O other illness - Husband -HTN Lifestyle and genetic information – Obese structure (weight -72kg) Non vegetarian Unhygienic Sedentary lifestyle **Intervention** – No past intervention

**Therapies including self-care** – Apply Betadine ointment and analgesics.

### Physical examination -**Personal history**

Ahara - Non vegetarian *Vihara* – Sedentary Nidra - Ati - Divaswapna Vvasana - None Mala Pravrutti - Niraama Mutra Pravrutti -Prakrita Vyavasaya - Sedentary /sitting. Recent history of long travel – Absent General Examination: BP-110/80mmhg R/R - 16/minWeight -72kg Temperature - 98.7 F **Systemic Examination:** R.S: NAD /clear chest Urinary: NAD C.V.S: NAD Genital: NAD C.N.S: NAD G.I System: NAD Local examination Inspection

• Sinus opening seen at the sacrococcygeal region	5. Pramana - Pravara
at midline pit.	6. Satwa - Madhyama
• Profuse Pus collection inside the tract	7. Satmya - Sarva satmya
Black Discoloration of skin of area	8. Ahara Shakti - Abhyavaharana - Madh-
Palpation	yama
Tenderness present	Jarana - Madh-
Warmness present	yama
Induration present	9. Vyayama Shakti - Avara
• Probing was done to assess the length of the tract	10. Vayah - Madhyama Ashtavidh Pareeksha
& direction of the tract. It was 3cm towards the anus.	Nadi - Vata Pitta Shabda -
<b>Information about substance abuse</b> – Nil	Vishesha
Objectives –	Mutra - Prakrita Sparsha -
To evaluate the effect of <i>Jatyadi Varti</i> in the man-	Samshitoshna
agement of Nadi Vrana w.s.r to Pilonidal Sinus.	Mala -Nirama Druk - Prakrita
Main medical problem – Nadi Vrana (Pilonidal Si-	Jihwa -Nirama Aakriti - Sthaul-
nus)	ya
Dashvidha Pareeksha	Sroto Pareeksha / Srotas Dushti:
1. Prakriti - Vat pitta	Raktavaha Strotas (Vidradhi)
2. Vikruthi - Dosha – Tridosha	Mamsavaha Srotas (Putimaansa)
Dushya -Twak, Mamsa,	Jatyadi Varti ingredients have Shodhana, Ropana,
Sira, Snayu, Sandhi, Medas and Rakta	Lekhana, Vedanasthapana, wound debridement and
3. Sara - Mamsa Sara	Tridosha properties. Drugs Botanical name, part
4. Samhanana - Avara	used, and their action have been cited in Table No. 2.

Table No. 2: Drug Detail Jatyadi	Varti - Contents and their action
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S.no.	Drugs	Botanical Name	Action	Part Used
1.	Jati	Jasminum offici- nale	<i>Tridoshahara</i> (reduce <i>Tridosha</i> ), <i>Vranashodhan</i> (Wound debride- ment), <i>Vranaropana</i> (healing of wound), <i>Kushthaghna</i> (reduce skin disorder), <i>Kandughna</i> (reduce itching)	Leaves
2.	Arka	Calotropis procera +	<i>Kaphavatashamaka</i> (reduce <i>Kapha &amp; Vata dosha</i> ), <i>Vranashodhan</i> (cleaning of wound), <i>Shothahara</i> (reduce inflammation), <i>Ve-danasthapana</i> (analgesic)	Root
3.	Aaragvadha	Cassia fistula	Vatapittashamaka (reduce Vata & Pitta dosha), Shothahara (reduce inflammation), Dahaprashamana (decrease burning sensation), Kushthaghna (reduce skin disorder)	Leaves
4.	Karanja	Pongamia pinna- ta	<i>Kaphavatashamaka</i> (reduce <i>Kapha &amp; Vata dosha</i> ), <i>Vranaropana</i> (healing of wound), <i>Vedanasthapana</i> (analgesic), <i>Jantughna</i> (reduce infection)	
5.	Chitraka	Plumbago zeylanica	Kaphavatashamaka (reduce Kapha & Vata dosha), Lekhana (scrap- ping), Deepana-Pachana (increase appetite-digestion)	Root
б.	Snuhi	Euphorbia neri- folia	Kaphavatashamaka (reduce Kapha & Vata dosha), Shothahara (An- algesic), Lekhana (scrapping)	
7.			Root	
8.	Yava Kshara	Hardeum vulgare	Sharp, hot, corrosive in nature helps in <i>Lekhana</i> ( <i>scrapping</i> ) <i>Chedana</i> (exicise) of dead cells & <i>Vranaropana</i> (healing of wound).	
9.	Saindhava Lavana	Sodium chloride	Exfoliates the dead skin cells and protects the natural layer of skin. Also strengthens the skin tissue	
10.	Sauvarchala Lavana	-	Act as Shoolaprashamana (analgesic)	

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### Method of preparation of drug (Jatyadi Varti)<sup>[20]</sup>

As required quantity of gauze piece wick will be prepared with 9 ingredients of Jatyadi Varti mixed with Sanuhi latex. Length of Jatyadi Varti depends upon the length of sinus tract.



### Figure 1: Prepared Jatyadi Varti

### STERLIZATION PROCESS OF JATYADI VAR-TΙ

- Jatyadi Varti kept it into the sterile gauze pad and put it into surgical dressing drum.
- Autoclave for 45 minutes.
- Remove with the help of sterile gloves and store in an airtight container.

### Solution of described problem - Jatyadi Varti Application

Patient was having RBS value 243mg/dl Nishakathkadi Kasayam advised for 2 weeks. For Reducing Inflammation, Infection some internal medications also prescribed. The internal medication treatment has been cited in Table 3.

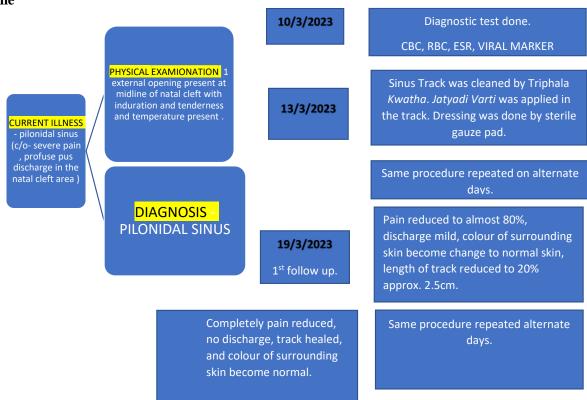
Table No. 3: Treatment (Internal medication)	
Internal medication	
(2 weeks)	<ul> <li>Nishakathkadi Kasayam 15ml morning and night before food</li> <li>Mahamanjisthadi Kasayam 15ml morning and night before food</li> <li>Guggulu Panchpala Choornam with hot water 1tsp morning and night after food.</li> <li>Triphala Choornam 1 tablespoon with hot water at bedtime.</li> </ul>
<b>External application:</b> <i>Jatyadi Varti</i> <i>Poorva Karma</i> Informed written consent was taken. Prepare minor OT and instrument. Preparation of the part of the patient <i>Pradhan karma</i>	Under all aseptic conditions the prone position was given to the patient. The part was exposed and paint- ed 3 times by using sponge holding forceps and ster- ile gauze piece soaked in antiseptic solution. The part was covered with sterile sheet. With the help of a 5ml syringe washed the sinus track with <i>Triphala Kwatha</i> Probing was done to assess the length of the tract Then <i>Jatyadi Varti</i> application with the help of the Artery forceps into the track.



Figure 2: Wash with Triphala Kwatha

### Paschata Karma

Dressing was done with all aseptic measures. All vitals were recorded. **Timeline** 



Needed Investigations (CBC, ESR, RBS, and VIRAL MARKER) was done. RBS value Raised observed. The Diagnostic focus and assessment have been cited Table 4

Table 4: Diagnostic focus and Assessment	

Specimen	Name of the test	Observed value	
Blood (CBC)	Hb%	10.7gm/dl	
	T.C	9.01 10 <sup>3</sup> UL	
	D.C	N-67.8%	
		L-26.9%	
		M-6.4%	
		E-2.2%	
		B-0.5%	



Figure 3: Jatyadi Varti Application

	ESR	24MM IN 1 <sup>st</sup> hr.
Blood Sugar	RBS	243mg/dl
Viral markers	HIV	Negative
	HbSAg	Negative

### Therapeutic focus and assessment

- Pain assessment (Vedana)
- 0 no pain

1 - Mild pain persisting for 2-6 hrs. Pt. slightly uncomfortable

2 – Moderate pain, persisting 6-12 hrs. Difficulty walking and sitting

3 – Severe pain, persisting more than 12 hrs. Unable to walk.

### Vrana (Discoloration)

- 0 Twak Sama Varna
- 1 Kapota Varna
- 2 Jihwatalaba Varna
- 3 Krishna Varna

### Srava (Discharge)

- 0-no discharge
- 1 If *Varna* wets 4x4 cm gauze piece (mild)
- 2-If Varna wets 6x6 cm gauze piece (moderate)

# 3 – If Varna wets more than 6x6 cm gauze piece (profuse)

Length of sinus tract

0 - healed

1 - Reduced by 80%

2 - Reduced by 50%

3 - Reduced by 20%

*Varti* dissolves on 3<sup>rd</sup> day pain, discoloration of skin and track was persisting changes was only seen in discharge, induration and tenderness still present.

7<sup>th</sup> day got 1<sup>st</sup> follow up 20% pain reduce, mild discharge present, healing of tract was improving day by day and seen changes in discoloration of skin because of unhealthy granulation tissue become healthy one .

14<sup>th</sup> day got 2<sup>nd</sup> follow up the complete track was healed with external granulation tissue. The follow up and outcome of Jatyadi *Varti* application have been cited Table 5.

Day	Date	Pain	Vana	Sarva	Length
0 day	10-3-2023	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 2	3cm
1 <sup>st</sup> day	13-3-2023	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 2	3cm
3 <sup>rd</sup> day	15-3-2023	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 1	3cm
5 <sup>th</sup> day	17-3-2023	Grade 2	Grade 2	Grade 1	Grade 3 20% reduce
7 <sup>th</sup> day 1 <sup>st</sup> follow up	19-3-2023	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 1	Grade 3
9 <sup>th</sup> day	21-3-2023	Grade 1	Grade 1	Grade 1	Grade 2 50% reduce. Approx. 1.5cm
11 <sup>th</sup> day	23-3-2023	Grade 1	Grade 1	Grade 0	Grade 1 Reduce 80% 0.5cm approx.
13 <sup>th</sup> day	25-3-2y023	Grade 0	Grade 0	Grade 0	Grade 0 Approx. healed
14 <sup>th</sup> day 2 <sup>nd</sup> follow up	26-3-2023	Grade 0 No pain	Grade 0	Grade 0	Healed tract

### **Table 5: Follow up and Outcome.**



Figure 4: Before treatment (Day 0)



Figure 6 : Day 7 ( 1<sup>st</sup> follow up)

### DISCUSSION

Pilonidal sinus is a chronic inflammatory and track in natal cleft considered as an acute, congenital or acquired disease. A persistent midline pit occurs from birth due to defects in embryogenic fusion in congenital type get infected due to desquamated debris of epithelial those having lack of hygiene. In deep natal cleft obesity, excess hair, sweating create favorable atmosphere for maceration of skin moisture can fill a stretched hair follicle, help to create low oxygen environment to promote growth of anaerobic bacteria. Hair continues to break off, repeated infection or friction get in the natal cleft causing dermatitis. In this present case Jatyadi Varti was applied for better cure. Jatyadi Varti ingredient having antimicrobial, antifungal<sup>[21]</sup>, antibacterial, anti-inflammatory, antioxidant<sup>[22]</sup>, antiseptic and wound healing, wound debridement, Shodhana and Ropana properties. The ingredient of Varti goes deep into the track and due to



Figure 5: Day 1



Figure 7: Day 14 (2<sup>nd</sup> follow up)

Above mentioned properties of the non-healing sinus convert into healed sinus in minimum time.

### CONCLUSION

*Jatyadi Varti* is easy to prepare, cost effective, minimal invasive techniques with promote the healthy healing of tissue in minimum time with no cutting of track, no scar formation left. The recurrence rate is almost nil.

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