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SAMANGADI ROPAN TAILAM- A POLYHERBAL FORMULATION FOR WOUND HEALING - A REVIEW

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ABSTRACT

Wound healing is a series of complex events starting from hemostasis to collagen remodeling. In the recent era, many formulations are available for enhancing wound- healing. Ayurvedic texts have a treasure of herbal formulations for wound healing. *Samangadi Ropan Tailam* mentioned in *Sushruta Samhita* is one of the most potent formulations for wound healing. The first ingredient of this formulation *is Samanga (Manjishtha-Dal.)* known for its magical *Vrana Ropan Guna* (wound healing). Other ingredients of this formulation are also having anti-inflammatory, analgesic, and blood purifying properties as well. This review explains the pharmacological activities of *Samangadi Ropan Tailam* in wound healing.

Keywords: wound -healing, Samangadi Ropan Tailam, Ayurveda, Vrana- ropan, Anti-inflammatory

INTRODUCTION

Wound healing consists of coordinated cellular and molecular event which are responsible for the repair and reconstruction of damaged tissues. Wound management is probably the major concern for today's surgeons, as the number of accidental injuries is increasing day by day. In *Ayurveda*, several preparations are mentioned for wound healing. *Sushruta Samhita* is one of the most popular texts among them. *Samangadi Ropan* *Tailam* is mentioned as the best oil preparation by *Acharya Sushruta. Samanga (Manjishtha- Dal.)* is well known for its magical *Vrana Ropan Karma* in *Ayurve-da.* It belongs to Rubiaceae family. It promotes wound closure and helps in new skin cell formulation. It also

has antimicrobial properties that prevents skin infections. Other ingredients of this formulation are having anti-inflammatory, antispasmodic, immunity enhancer, and astringent properties as well.

Materials and methods-

Ingredients -

Table 1: The following 11 ingredients are present in Samangadi ropan tailam^[1]

S.no	Herbs	Botanical name	Family	Useful part
1.	Samanga	Rubia cordifolia Linn.	Rubiaceae	Root
2.	Rajani	Curcuma longa Linn.	Zingiberaceae	Rhizome
3.	Padma	Clerodendrum serratum (Linn. Moon.)	Verbenaceae	Root
4.	Haritaki	Terminalia chebula Retz.	Combretaceae	Fruit
5.	Bibhitaki	Terminalia bellirica Roxb.	Combretaceae	Fruit
6.	Amalaki	Emblica officinals Gaertn.	Euphorbiaceae	Fruit
7.	Tuttha	Blue vitriol (CuSO ₄ .5H ₂ O)		Powdered ash
8.	Vidanga	Embelia ribes Burm.	Myrsinaceae	Fruit
9.	Kutaki	Picrorhiza kurroa Royle ex Benth	Scrophulariaceae	Root
10.	Guduchi	Tinospora cordifolia (Willd) Miers ex Hook. F. & Thoms.	Menispermiaceae	Bark
11.	Karanja	Pongamia pinnata Pierre	Leguminosae	Seeds



(1) Rubia cordifolia



(2) Curcuma longa



(3) Clerodendrum serratum







(8) Pongamia pinnata





(9) Picrorhiza kurroa

(4) Emblica officinals

__(5) Terminalia bellirica

(6) Terminalia chebula

(10) Tinospora cordifolia

(12) Sesamum indicum oil

Method of preparation-

Samangadi Ropan Tailam was prepared by the taila paka (oil preparation) method mentioned in Sharangdhara Samhita. Oil is said to be prepared for use after tail siddhi lakshnas will appear like Fen Shanti (bubbles formation stops), Shabda Virahita (no bub-

ble sound), Varti- vata Sneha Kalka formation, and Gandha-varna-rasa utpatti.^[2]

(11) Embelia ribes

In *Samangadi Ropan Tailam*, 11 herbs were taken in the following ratio with a base oil of *Til* (Sesamum indicum). This formulation was prepared in the pharmacy of the National Institute of Ayurveda Jaipur, Rajasthan.

S.No.	Ingredient	Quantity		
1.	Samanga (Manjishtha- Dal.)	1 Part		
2.	Rajani (Haridra)	1 Part		
3.	Padma (Bharangi)	1 Part		
4.	Amalaki	1 Part		
5.	Vibhitaki	1 Part		
6.	Haritaki	2 Part		
7.	Tuttha	1 Part		
8.	Vidanga	1 Part		
9.	Katuka	1 Part		
10.	Guduchi	1 Part		
11.	Karanja (Naktamal)	1 Part		
12.	Til Tail	For taila paka		

Table 2: The ratio of different ingredients in Samangadi Ropan Tailam

Table 3: Rasa-Panchak of individual herb of Samangadi Ropan Tailam

S.No.	Ingredients	Rasa	Guna	Veerya	Vipaka	Prabhava
1.	Manjishtha ^[3]	Kashaya, Katu, Tikta	Guru, Ruksha	Ushna	Katu	-
2.	Haridra ^[4]	Tikta, Katu	Laghu, Ruksha	Ushna	Katu	-
3.	Bharangi	Katu, Tikta, Kashaya	Laghu, Ruksha	Ushna	Katu	-
4.	Haritaki ^[5]	Pancharasa (lavan-rahit, Kashaya-Pradhan)	Laghu, Ruksha	Ushna	Madhur	Tridosh- har
5.	Vibhitaki ^[6]	Kashaya	Laghu, Ruksha	Ushna	Madhur	-
б.	Amalaki ^[7]	Pancharasa (lavan-rahit, Amla Pradhan	Laghu, Ruksha, Sheeta	Sheeta	Madhur	
7.	Tuttha	Katu, Kashaya	Laghu, Ruksha	Ushna	Katu	-
8.	Vidanga ^[8]	katu, Kashaya	Laghu, Ruksha, teekshna	Ushna	Katu	Krimighna
9.	Katuka	Tikta	Laghu, Ruksha	Sheeta	Katu	-
10.	Guduchi ^[9]	Tikta, Kashaya	Laghu, snigdha	Ushna	Madhur	Vishaghna
11.	Karanja	Tikta, katu, Kashaya	Laghu, Teekshna	Ushna	Katu	-

Properties-

Table-4: As mentioned below, most of these herbs are having tridoshahara effects as well as anti-inflammatory, hemopoietic, and analgesics properties.

S. No.	Herbs	Dosha effect	Properties /Functions
1	Samanga	Kapha-pitta shamak	Anti-inflammatory, Hemostatic ^[10]
2	Rajani	Kapha-vatashamak, pittaghna	Anti-inflammatory, Hemostatic,
			Analgesics, Haemopoietic, Improves circulation ^[11]
3	Padma	Kapha-vatashamak	Blood purifier, Anti-inflammatory ^[12]
4	Haritaki	Tridoshghna (mainly-	Anti-inflammatory, Prevents pus formation,
		vatashamak)	Helps in wound healing ^[13]
5	Bibhitaki	Tridosh shamak (mainly-	Anti-inflammatory, Analgesics, Hemostatic, Astringent, Intoxi-
		kaphashamak)	cant
6	Amalaki	Tridoshahar (mainly-pittaghna)	Hemostatic, Reduces burning sensation ^[14]
7	Tuttha	Kapha-pita hara	Astringent, Antimicrobial,
8	Vidanga	Vata-kaphashamak	Bactericidal, Blood- purifier Improves circulation
9	Kutaki	Kapha-pittashodhak	Anti-inflammatory, Blood-purifier, Reduces burning sensation
10	Guduchi	Tridosha-shamak, pitta-sarak	Anti-inflammatory, Anti-septic, Analgesics, Haemopoietic
11	Karanja	Kapha-vatashamak	Anti-septic, Anti-pruritic, Analgesics, Anti-parasitic, Wound
			healing Bactericidal ^[15]

CONCLUSION

Samangadi Ropan Tailam is one of the best polyherbal preparation for wound healing described by Acharya Sushruta. It contains about 11 drugs, with the base of *til taila*. As the above discussion explains that most of the drugs are Tikta, Kashaya Rasa, Laghu Ruksha Guna, Ushna Veerya, and Katu Vipaka. Most of the drugs have Vrana Shodhana, Ropana, Raktastambhak, Vedanahara, Shothahara and Krimihara properties. All these properties make the preparation a perfect combination for helping in stages of wound healing like-Vrana Shodhana property makes the wound free from debris, Krimihara Guna helps in removing microbial infection, Vrana Ropana Guna helps in wound contraction, Shothahara Guna decreases inflammation and Vedanahara Guna helps in reducing pain. The above-mentioned drugs have Shamana effect on all three Doshas i.e., Vata, Pitta, and Kapha, and reduce the symptoms produced by them in a vrana like Vedana (pain) by Vata Dosha, Daha (burning-sensation) by Pitta Dosha, Kandu (itching) by Kapha Dosha, Srava (suppuration) by any of the three Doshas.

Through this discussion, we can say that *Samangadi Ropan Tailam* is very much helpful for a surgeon to treat the wound. This article will be helpful for all researchers and practitioners who want to treat *Vrana* (wound).

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