



# **Case Study**

# AYURVEDIC MANAGEMENT OF DIABETES MELLITUS (DM) AND DIABETIC NEUROPATHY: A **CASE STUDY**

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Diabetes is a burning problem of modern world and is associated with multiple complications. All oral hyoglycemic drugs and insulin used in modern medicine only help to lower blood sugar of body. The biological medicines are only available treatments which have limited effect and carrying many serious adverse effects. Purpose: The conventional medicine has its own limitation in this disease condition, it only help to lower blood sugar level of body and in a long run it has shown its side effects. They neither able to correct the pathology nor helpful to protect vital organs of the body and to prevent further complications. Ayurvedic treatment approaches are helpful in this disease. With the changing demand and awareness among these days, the role of Ayurveda is an emerging reality. Brief case history: A 49-year-old, married, Hindu male patient visited PD Patel Ayurvedic Hospital on 9th November 2021. He had been diagnosed with type 2 diabetes above 11 years and received medication for this. He was taking Tab. Metformine since last 11 years. He had chief complains of Madhuryamasyata, Karapadadaha, Pipasadhikya, Mootraadhikya since last 11 years, and other associated complains were Kshudha Vriddhi, Atichinta, and Nidravriddhi since last 4 months. He had gradually increased body weight in last year 2 years. He had been admitted and treated with Virechna karma and Basti chikitsa and oral Ayurvedic medicines for one month. After one month of treatment, he is continuing oral medicines only and he regularly comes for following up in OPD. Now on the second follow up patient had much improvement in above symptoms. His blood sugar level and weight were also reduced significantly. Result: He got an excellent result with complete relief from all symptoms as well as marked reduction in objective criteria (lab investigation) within 1 month.

# **INTRODUCTION**

Diabetes mellitus is one of the most common chronic diseases and become a formidable health problem in this millennium affecting more than 120 million individual world-wide. India has world's largest epidemic of diabetes in the world- an estimated 40 million and changes in life style are putting more at risk. Because of the associated risk of stroke, coronary artery disease, and renal failure, diabetes is ranked among top five killers in most countries.

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Blindness, ulcers leading to amputation and terminal kidney disease are complications. Despites improved understanding of its pathogenesis and the identification of the various risk factor, prevention of the disease and its complications still challenge the medical world.[1]

DM is a major health pandemic effecting mankind since ancient times. An absolute or relative absence of insulin causes an established complicated metabolic disease with very high blood glucose levels. Due to bad dietary pattern and sedentary lifestyles, which are the primary etiological causes for this disease, the incidence of diabetes has significantly increased in recent years.

A series of metabolic disorders known as diabetes mellitus (DM) are characterized by chronic hyperglycemia brought on by abnormalities in insulin

production, action, or both. Increased thirst (polydipsia), increased hunger (polyphagia), and frequent urine (polyuria) are all signs of this hyperglycemia (high blood sugar). Diabetes mellitus can cause a number of consequences, including diabetic ketoacidosis, non-ketotic hyperosmolar coma, heart disease, stroke, kidney failure (nephropathy), foot ulcers, retinopathy, cataracts, and glaucoma, if it is not managed.

Diabetes has been controlled with dietary restriction, exercise, oral hypoglycemic drug such as – insulin sensitizers, alpha glycosidase inhibitors, glucagon like peptide 1, sulphonureas, and biguanides are the main contains of oral hypoglycemic treatment but maintain glucose, control in these patients remains a difficult task. Although Ayurvedic medication has been said to be less harmful and more effective, it has been effectively used to regulate other long-term problems of diabetes mellitus as well as bring blood sugar levels back to normal, heal damaged pancreatic cells, and reduce or avoid the development of microanioapthic lesions.<sup>[2]</sup>

Diabetic neuropathy is a degenerative and destructive condition of the peripheral nerves as an early and common long-term complication of diabetes mellitus. It is a very common and long term complication of diabetes mellitus. The majority of individuals with peripheral neuropathy are initially asymptomatic, with minor abnormalities such as loss of vibration perception, light touch, two-point discrimination, and temperature sensitivity examination.[3] They generally report numbness and tingling sensations after becoming ill, often in a classic "stoking-glove" pattern. Diabetic peripheral sensory neuropathy is characterized by axonal degeneration of myelinated or demyelinated axons, as well as thickening of the Schwann cell basal lamina. The involvement of micro vascular damage in diabetic peripheral sensory neuropathy is especially important to understand.[4]

In Ayurved classics, there are different aspects of Madhumeha described. It would be known that ancient sages categorically emphasized on its prognostic status and complications. Most of the data described there on are akin to the findings established by modern researchers. Involvement of three basic humors of the body, the tissue systems and the body fluids, decline Bala-masma, the manifestation of no symptoms, less symptoms, all the symptoms, sudden onset early manifestation, late manifestation, noncurability, development of carbuncles and other complications are to be considered minutely. While Charak and Vagbhatt considered Madhumeha as some variant of Vatkia Prameha. Sushruta enumerated that all the Pramehas, if not treated in time, leads to *Madhumeha* and become non-curable.<sup>[5]</sup> Nowadays,

patients who cannot be treated at all reflecting the insulin-dependence stage can be considered under this group. *Vagbhatta* while defining *Madhumeha* specified that the urine becomes sweet and so does the body. [6] *Charak* also classified the *Madhumehi* patients as *Atisthula* and *Krisha* and observed that the new born baby may be *Madhumehi* due to defect in sperm or ovum. [7]

Prameha belongs to the Santarpanajanya Tridoshaja Vyadhi. According to Sushruta, excessive Pramehotpadaka Aahara-Vihara causes vitiation of Prakruta Vata, Pitta, and Kapha, which mixes with Medodhatu. These corrupted Dosha and Dhatu descend down the Mutravaha Srotas and localize at Basti, where they result in Prameha. [8]

Ayurveda states that Madhumeha (Vataja Prameha) is Asadhya i.e., incurable, however it can be managed with treatment. Further Charak while specifically enumerating the etiopathogenesis of Madhymeha emphasized the role of excess intake of sweet and fatty diet, sedentary lifestyle and occupations, lack of exercise or labour and stated that due to obstruction of channels of Vayu, Oja is taken to urinary bladder.[9] Vagbhatt also describes the condition of Arishtalinagam indicating decline in certain activities.[10] These views reflect the degeneration or destruction of the insulin secreting cells in the pancreas and/or diminished secretion of the insulin.

There are descriptions of hundreds of herbal, herbomineral drugs and *Panchakarma* procedures for the treatments of *Madhumeha*. The treatment schedule consists of *Pathya Aahara, Vihara,* and *Shamana Chikitsa.* 

The diabetes peripheral neuropathy can correlate in Ayurvedic classics, symptoms like *Suptata* (numbness) and *Daha* (burning sensation) in body parts, especially in the feet and hands are described as *Purvarupa* of *Prameha* and *Daha* is also described among the *Upadrava* (complications) of *Prameha*. These features are frequently seen in diabetic sensory polyneuropathy. There is involvement of *Vata* and *Pitta Dosha* in diabetic neuropathy. [11]

Ayurveda is the answer as its benefits are all more significant for patients who were not responding to conventional drugs. Ayurvedic medicine prove to be economical are fruitful and without any side effect. That is why plenty of natural resources, which have been indicated in the wisdom of Ayurvedic system of medicine are, yet to be proved in the field of diabetes mellitus. Research, which could have benefits hundreds of diabetes patients, has reminded confident to scientific discussions.

# **Case Report**

## Patient Information (Vedana Vruttanta)

A 49-year-old, married, Hindu male patient visited PD Patel Ayurvedic Hospital on 9th November 2021. He had been diagnosed with type 2 diabetes for 11 years and received medication for this. He used Tab. Metformin from the very first diagnosis. He had chief Madhuryamasyata, Karapadadaha. of Pipasadhikva, Mootraadhikva since last 11 years, and other associated complains were Kshudha Vriddhi, Atichinta, and Nidravriddhi since last 4 months. According him, the weight is increased in the last years. He had been admitted and treated with, Virechna Karma and Pathydi basti and oral Ayurvedic medicines viz., for one month. After one month of treatment, he is continuing oral medicines only and he regularly comes for following up in OPD. Now on the second follow up, patient had much improvement in above symptoms. His blood sugar level and weight were also reduced significantly.

Personal history revealed that the patient is vegetarian but used to take extra oily and fatty diet, with a habit of intake of junk food and diurnal sleep. Frequency of micturation is 8-9 times during day and 4-5 times at night, bowel habits are irregular with mild constipation (once/1-2 days, hard stool) and the patient has no addictions. Past-history revealed that patient was suffering from type 2 diabetes mellitus for 11 years. While he was taking Metformin, he had a very irregular medication and blood sugar monitoring schedule. He also has both paternal and maternal side positive family histories of diabetes mellitus.

The general examinations of the patient revealed dryness of tongue, as for vitals, pulse rate was 84/min, respiratory rate of 18/min and blood pressure of 120/80mm of Hg. His body weight was 82kg, height 175cm and BMI of 26.8Kg/m². His respiratory system examination, gastro-intestinal examination, cardiovascular examination, central nervous system examination and locomotor examination did not uncover any abnormality.

His blood investigations on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2013 showed fasting blood sugar level as 276mg/dl (70-110mg/dl Normal), post prandial blood sugar level as 294mg/dl (70-140mg/dl normal) and glycosylated haemoglobin (HbA1c) as 8.4% (4-6% normal). As

above symptoms the patient was diagnosed as a case of Diabetes mellitus type-2.

#### **METHODS**

Madhumeha is Vata-Kapha Pradhan Tridoshaja Vyadhi. It has two types: Sahaja and Apathyanimittja. Sthula. Avaranjanya, contrast to Santarpanjanya, which can be associated with Apathyanimittaia Madhumeha, other types explained in many classical books such Krisha, Dhatukshayajanya, and *Apatarpanjanya* correlated with Sahaia Madhumeha. Since this patient had Apathyanimittaja Madhumeha, it is imperative to treat him with medications that target the primary pathology, such as Meda Dhatu, Kleda, Kapha, and Meda Dhatvagni, as well as those with Deepana, Pachana, Lekhana, Vata-Kaphahara, and Medohara characteristics.[12]

Clinical features of *Prameha* correlates with diabetes mellitus. Diabetes mellitus contributes significant burden to the global population as it is leading cause of morbidity and mortality worldwide. It is chronic, metabolic disease characterized by elevated levels of blood glucose which leads to serious damage to the heart, blood vessel, eyes, kidneys, nerves. Most common type observed among all the patients of DM is type 2. Cases and the prevalence of diabetes have been steadily increasing over the past few decades. About 422 million people worldwide have diabetes, majority of them living in low-and middle-income countries and 1.6 million deaths are directly attributed to diabetes each year. According to WHO Diabetes Mellitus is a heterogeneous metabolic disorder characterized by a common feature of hyperglycemia with disturbance of carbohydrate, fat, and protein metabolism.

Disease management with Ayurveda entails a prescription of personalized diet, lifestyle, predominantly herbal medicines, and systemic cleansing therapies.

## Pradhana Vedana

Patient complains of increase frequency of micturition with excessive hunger, since 6 months and burning sensation in both feet.

*Purva vedana vruttanta*: No relevant history found *Kula vyadhi Vruttanta*: Father and mother were said to be diabetic.

# Vyakthika vruttanta

| Ahara               | Vihara  | Mansika |
|---------------------|---|---------|
| Vegetarian          | Sleep disturbed   | Chintya |
| Madhura, Singhdha   | Sedentary lifestyle                                       |         |
| Irregular meal time | Bowel - 1 time/day  |         |
|                     | Micturition – 8-9 times in a day and 4-5 times in a night |         |

## Samanya Pariksha

- Appearance Fair
- Pulse rate 75/min
- B.P. 130/90mm hg
- R.R. 17/ min
- Weight- 82 kg
- Height- 175 cm
- Temperature Afebrile
- R.S. Bilateral Air entry clear
- C.V.S. S1S2 heard, no abnormal murmur heard
- C.N.S. Conscious and oriented

## Rogi Pariksha

• Prakruti: PittaKapha

Sara: Madhyama

Satva: Madhyama

Samhanana: Madhyama

Kostha: KruraAgni: Vishama

Pramana: Madhyama

Aharashkti: Madhyama

• Jaranashakti: Madhyama

Vyayamashakti: Madhyama

Vaya: VruddhaIihwa: Saama

# Ashtavidha pariksha

• Nadi: Vata Kapha

Mutra: 8-9 times (day), 4-5 times (night)

• *Mala:* 1 time/day

Jihwa: Saama Shabda: Spashta

Sparsha Samshittoshna

Druka: Prakruta
 Akruti: Madhyan

# • Akruti: Madhyama

# **Diagnosis**

Saupdrava Madhumeha (diabetes mellitus and diabetic sensorypoly neuropathy).

# Medical Management Strategy Treatments undergone

- 1. *Snehapana* is a process of full body internal and external lubrication by drinking ghee and oil as well as massaging the oil on without any other oral intake.
- 2. *Abhyanga* is a procedure which is performed with heated medicated oil massage.
- 3. *Bashpasweda* is a steam chamber in which the patient sits while steam from a boiling *Nirgundi Patra* concoction is emitted.
- 4. *Virechana Karma* is the procedure in the sequence of *Panchakarma* (Ayurveda Detoxification Program) that involves using medicines that have a laxative effect, mainly aimed at reducing *Pitta dosha* and toxic accumulation in the gastrointestinal tract, liver, and gall bladder).
- 5. *Udvartana* is a powder massage often used for slimming and treatment of obesity that can be done daily.
- 6. *Basti Chikitsa* is a type of medication given by enema, aiding in diminishing extra *Vata Dosha* present in the body. *Vata* is responsible for the elimination and retention of urine, sperm, feces, bile, and other excreta.

**Table 1: Therapeutic Intervention** 

| From date      | To date  | Procedure                     | Treatment medicine  |  |
|----------------|----------|-------------------------------|---|--|
| 10/11/21       | 15/11/21 | Snehapana                     | Panchatikta ghrita  |  |
| 16/11/21       | 18/11/21 | Abhyanga +                    | Narayan taila +   |  |
|                |          | Sarwang Bashpasweda           | Nirgundi patra  |  |
| 18/11/21       |          | Virechana karma               | Dindayal churna-5gm+Eranda Sneha-50ml<br>(Draksha kwath)  |  |
| 19/11/21       | 23/11/21 | Sansarjan karma               | -   |  |
| 24/11/21<br>To |          | Udvartana                     | Triphala Choornam + Lodhra Churna (in Usnajala)   |  |
| 5/1/2022       |          | Niruha basti<br>(Pathyadi dm) | Niruha basti -320ml (Pathyadi dm) 1) Atibalamola kwath 40ml (twice a day) 2) Bhumiamalaki churna -3gm (trice a day) 3) Meshahsrungivati -4 tab (twice a day) 4) Mameghakhaghana vati – 4 tab (twice a day |  |

## **RESULTS**

The patient's lab values, symptoms, and BMI changes over the course of 9 months can be viewed (Tables 2 and 4).

Patient Condition on Treatment Day 1 (10/11/2021).

#### **General Findings**

Blood pressure (BP): 130/80mmHg

Pulse: 82/minutes Weight: 82kg

# **Physical Examination**

- Abdomen: Soft, non-tender
- o Cardiovascular: S1, S2 heard
- o Pulmonary: Normal breath sounds bilaterally
- o Diagnosis. *Madhumeha* (type 2 diabetes mellitus)
- Prakriti (physical diagnosis). Kapha-Vata (Dosha)

Patient condition at the completion of his treatment on 12/22/2015

# **General findings**

o BP: 110/80 mm Hg

o Pulse: 80/minutes

o Weight: 82 kg

# **Clinical examination**

o Abdomen: Soft, no organomegaly

o Cardiovascular: Normal S1, S2

Pulmonary: Normal breath sounds bilaterally

**Table 2: Investigations Done Before and After the Treatment** 

| Investigations              | Before Treatment   | After treatment     |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Hematological               |                    |                     |
| Hb                          | 13.3gm%            | 13.7gm%             |
| Тс                          | 8700 cu/mm         | 8700 cu/mm          |
| Dc                          | 68/25/04/03        | 68/25/04/03         |
| Platelet count              | 275000             | 275000              |
| RBC                         | 4.57 million/micro | 4.57 million/ micro |
| Hba1c                       | 7.25               | 6.81%               |
| Urine Routine               | Before Treatment   | After Treatment     |
| Ph                          | 6.0                | 6.0                 |
| Specific Gravity            | rv. 1.015          | 1.015               |
| Blood                       | 4770               |                     |
| Protein                     | 8                  |                     |
| Urine Micro                 | X May X            |                     |
| Pus                         | 2-4/hpf            | 2-4/hpf             |
| Specific gravity            | 1-2/hpf            | 1-2/hpf             |
| Blood                       | LPT                |                     |
| Protein                     |                    |                     |
| Biochemistry                | Before treatment   | After treatment     |
| FBS                         | 276                | 130                 |
| Pp2bs                       | 294                | 150                 |
| Liver function test         | Before Treatment   | After treatment     |
| Total bilirubin             | 0.9mg/dl           | 0.9mg/dl            |
| Direct bilirubin            | 0.3mg/dl           | 0.3mg/dl            |
| Indirect bilirubin          | 0.60 mg/dl         | 0.60mg/dl           |
| SGPT (ALT)                  | 37 u/l             | 37 u/l              |
| SGOT                        | 25 u/l             | 25 u/l              |
| ALP                         | 86                 | 86                  |
| Total protein               | Before Treatment   | After treatment     |
| Total protein               | 6.80 gm/dl         | 6.80 gm/dl          |
| S. albumin                  | 4.70 gm/dl         | 4.70gm/dl           |
| S. A/G Ratio                | 2.24               | 2.24                |
| Lipid profile               | Before Treatment   | After Treatment     |
| Total cholesterol (CHO-POD) | 171mg/dl           | 160mg/dl            |

| Triglyceride (GPOPOD)                                  | 129mg/dl                | 117mg/dl        |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------|
| HDL cholesterol (Enzymatic)                            | 51.0mg/dl               | 51.mg/dl        |
| VLDL- cholesterol (Immune inhibition/Mod. IFCC Method) | 25.80mg/dl              | 25.80mg/dl      |
| LDL cholesterol (calculated by Friedwald formula)      | 94.20mg/ dl             | 94.20mg/dl      |
| Cholesterol/HDL Ratio (calculated)                     | 3.35mg /dl              | 3.35mg/dl       |
| LDL/HDL Ratio (Calculated)                             | 1.85mg/dl               | 1.85mg/dl       |
| Renal function test                                    | <b>Before Treatment</b> | After Treatment |
| Serum Creatinine                                       | 1.20 mg/dl              | 1.20mg/dl       |
| Blood urea   | 14mg/dl                 | 14mg/dl         |
| Thyroid  | <b>Before Treatment</b> | After treatment |
| Т3   | 1.22ng/dl               | 1.22 ng/ dl     |
| T4   | 6.756ug/dl              | 6.754ug/ dl     |
| TSH  | 1.170 uIU/mL            | 1.170 uIU/mL    |
| Cystain -C   | 0.9                     | 0.9             |

## **Treatment Conclusion**

There were no adverse events during the patient's treatment course. He had also numbness in his big toes and feet region. He was advised to continue the internal and external treatments and medications for a period of 1 month with follow-up on 30/1/2022. He attained *Samyak Lakshana* of *Virechana*, which means that he successfully completed his treatment with desired disease reversal.

Table 3: Patient's clinical outcome

| S.No. | Clinical Outcome<br>Measures              | Before consultation | After Virechan<br>karma | At the end of<br>Ayurvedic Treatment | Fourth Month<br>Review status |  |
|-------|---|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 1     | Physiological status<br>Coating on tongue | Present             | Absent                  | Absent                               | Absent                        |  |
| 2     | Excessive eating                          | Present             | Absent                  | Absent                               | Absent                        |  |
| 2     | Weight (kg)                               | 82                  | 80                      | 72                                   | 65                            |  |
| 3     | BMI (Kg/m <sup>2</sup> )                  | 26.8                | 26.1                    | 23.5                                 | 21.2                          |  |
| 4     | Lethargy                                  | Present             | Absent                  | Absent                               | Absent                        |  |
| 5     | Loss of concentration                     | Present             | Absent                  | Absent                               | Absent                        |  |
| 6     | Numbness in big toes                      | Present             | Absent                  | Absent                               | Absent                        |  |

Table 4: Patient's Laboratory Results

| S.No. | Lab Investigations      | 10/11/21<br>Before<br>Consultation | 1/1/1 On the first day of Ayurvedic Treatment | 1/1/1 At the end of Ayurvedic Treatment | Fourth-<br>month<br>Review<br>Status | Sixth<br>month<br>Review<br>status |
|-------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|       | Oral hypoglycemic agent |                                    |   |   |                                      |                                    |
| 1     | Tab. Metformin          | 1-0-1                              | 1/2-0-1/2                                     | Nill                                    | Nill                                 | Nill                               |
| 2     | FBS                     | 276                                | 276   | 200                                     | 127                                  | 124                                |
| 3     | FUS                     | 4+                                 | 4+  | ++                                      | NILL                                 | NILL                               |
| 4     | PPBS                    | 294                                | 290   | 190                                     | 150                                  | 150                                |

# **Therapeutic Intervention**

The treatment given during hospitalization is as follows:

Upon the admission patient was started with *Snehapana* with *Panchtikta Ghrtia* was given. After *Sneshapana Sarvanga Abhyanga* and *Sarvang Swedana* 

was given for 3 days. On third day after Abhyanga and Baspasawedana Virechana was given Dindayalchurna- 5gm and Eranda Sneha- 50ml with Anuapan of Draksha Kwath. After Samyak Virechna, Samsargana Karma was followed. On completion of Sansarjana Karma orally Atialamoola kwath- 40ml (twice), Bhumiamalaki Churna- 3gm twice a day, Meshashrunaivati-4 tab **ftwice** dav). Maejhakaghanavati- 4 tab (twice a day). Everyday Sarvanga Abhyanga and Sarvang Swedana was performed followed by Niruhabsti (Patyadi-Dm). And dietary precautions were advised. This following treatment was continued for 30 days. Shamana Aushadha were also given which are mention in below (Table 4).

#### **Medications**

#### **Internal Medications**

- 1. Atialamoola kwath- 40ml (twice), (empty stomach)
- 2. Bhumiamalaki churna 3gm (twice a day)
- 3. *Meshashrungiyati* 4tab (twice a day)
- 4. Mamaejakghanvati 4 tab (twice a day)

## **External Medications**

Diet and exercise regimen for the 6 months following treatment and follow up:

## Include

- 1. Follow timely meal schedule. Have freshly prepared warm food.
- 2. Churned butter milk and boiled-cooled water to drink.
- 3. Cooked vegetables.
- 4. Broken wheat, millets, and jowar, bajra should be included in the diet.
- 5. Vegetables *Methika* (fenugreek), *Patola* (pointed gourd), *Rasona* (garlic),
- 6. *Mudga* (green gram), *Kulathha* (horse gram)
- 7. Fruits *Jambu* (jamun), *Amalaki* (goose berry), *Dadima* (pomegranate)
- 8. Oil Atsai and Sharshapa mustard).
- 9. Spices *Maricha, Saindhva* (rock salt), *Hingu* (asafoetida), *Haridra* (turmeric), *Ardraka* (ginger).
- 10. Moderate levels of exercise daily and walking and *Paranayam.*

#### Avoid

- 1. Refrigerated, deep oily fried, salty, spicy, packet food items.
- 2. Curd, paneer, cheese, sweets, and sour foods. Dugdha, Dadhi, Takra, Ikshuvikara, Guda, Pista-Anna, Nava-Anna, Urada, Gramya- Audaka- Anoopa Mansa, Naveen Sura Avum Madhya, Adhyasan, Viruddhasana, Kapha-Meda Vardhak Ahara, Madhur-Amla-Lavana Rasadi ahara.

- 3. Reduce excess usage of potato, cauliflower, green peas, rajma (kidney bean), channa (chickpea), peanut, and maida (white flour) products.
- 4. Daytime sleeping
- 5. Exposure to cold water and cold weather.

#### DISCUSSION

Prameha Nidana is of two types Sahaja and Apathya Nimitaja. Apathya nimitaja can be further divided into Aharaja Nidana, and Viharaja Nidana. Aharaja Nidana includes excess use of new grains and other pulses prepared in Ghrita, Guda and different preparation milk and sugar cane. And meat soup of different Anupa animals etc. All Aharaja Nidana are Kapha and Medo Vardhaka. According to Vihara, Prameha's causes include too much sleep, a lack of exercise, worry, grief, and anxiety.[13]

In the manifestation of the disease diabetic neuropathy, the functions of peripheral nerves are impaired, which are mainly accredited to the *Vata dosha*, it is clear that the *Vata* acts as a receptor, as well as a stimulator. In other words, it initiates the functions in the body and perceives the stimulations from the external environment.

In this case, we found the etiological factor to have excessive intake of dietary items of *Madhura rasa*, *Snigdha Ahara*, irregular meal time, disturbed sleep during night, sedentary lifestyle, stress. Assessment of etiological factors is first step to prevent the disease from occurring. After that patient was advised to avoid *Nidana* and take strict diet according to Ayurveda. Diet mainly included avoiding of *Madhura*, *Snigdha Ahara* and including fiber rich green vegetables and cereals. This all reduces diabetes, delay sugar digestion and absorption. *Nidana Parivarjana* is advised during and after the treatment.

In these patients, a well-planned Ayurveda food and medication regimen together with regular exercise may assist to improve glycemic control. The two therapeutic forms of *Prameha*, known as *Sthoola* and *Krisha/Durbala*, are primarily diagnosed for correcting *Shodhana* or *Shamana* treatments.<sup>[14]</sup>

Shodhana therapy includes selective oleation, mild fomentation, therapeutic emesis or and purgation as well as decoction enema. Before internal or external oleation. Rookshana (desiccating therapy) mandatory in Sthula Pramehi Chikitsa. The best Rookshana method is Udwarthana (dry power massage) in *Prameha* patients.[15] *Lamghana* (depletion of Medus and Kapha) can be achieved by Upavasam (controlled fasting) or Rookshahara (fat free diet). Treatment explained in Ayurveda for morbid obesity in general can also be adopted in Type 2 DM. The dietary articles should be guru but consists of minimal nutritional value like fibre/cellulose rich diet. The

*Abhyanga* alleviates *Vata* and improves the sensory perception of the skin.

Even though light dietary articles ensure *Langhana*, the *Rookshana* can also be achieved by *Seka, Vatatapa Seva, Vyayamam* these all interventions work in body as *Langhana* therapy.

Bhumyamalaki having properties like Pitta-Kaphahara and Dahahara and also useful in diseases associated with the Vata Dosha. It is also described as Mutraroga Nasini, Pittameha Nasini in the classics. [16] These drug increase renal blood flow, improves GFR, decrease inflammation and hence help in reducing urea, creatinine and reduces urinary excretion of protein.

Atibala has Sita, Madhura, Balakrita properties and also Tridosahara properties. In addition it has Rasayana effect which reduces all the three Dosas.[17] Atibalamula Kwatha and Bhumyamalaki Churna are show significant improvement in reducing symptoms of DM and improves the general health.

Once the diabetes mellitus has developed then blood sugar level should be controlled by using *Madhumehahar* drugs and its complications should be prevented by using specific drugs and *Rasayana* as above mentioned.

The internal Medicine used in this study is therapeutically indicated in *Prameha*. It has *Tikta Rasa*, *Laghu Guna*, *Ushna Veerya*, *Katu Vipak* and subsides *Kapha* and *Pitta*. *Mamejaka* is said to have anti-diabetic and anti-oxidant property. Medicine contains *Mamejaka* extract (8 parts), *Mamajaka Churna* (2 parts), *Pippali (Piper longum* 2 parts), and *Ativisha (Aconitum heterophylum*, 2 parts). *Mamejaka ghanavati* has explained in *Bheshaja Samhita* under *Gutika* and *Guggulu Kalpa*.<sup>[18]</sup>

Both treatments, the Ayurvedic treatment protocol of oral drugs and external therapies were found to be effective. The combined use of Ayurvedic external and internal treatments is effective. The respective use of suitable *Rasayana* drugs may useful for the disease progression.

## **CONCLUSION**

Diabetes mellitus is a disease of chronic nature and affect not only an individual but also family and society economical. It hampers the economy and man power. It is now established that most of the hyopglycaemic drugs have a series of side effect. This treatment have given excellent results and within 14 days of starting the treatment, raised blood sugar levels dropped to pre diabetic range while after 14 days, the sugar levels were in normal range in end of the treatment plan. Ayurvedic disease care involves prescribing a specialized diet, way of living, mostly herbal medications, and systemic cleansing therapies. Future initiatives should consider how to customise

population care to address unique patient needs while harnessing advancements in clinical information systems and care integration to achieve the best possible diabetes management and prevention in the long run. Long follow up and a greater number of patients are required to reach any conclusion but, in this case, it can be stated that this treatment is a hope for the patients with diabetes resistance to conventional medicine

## **Outcome and Follow Up**

Patient was assessed before and after the treatment as well as after follow up after 6 months of discharge. Reduced frequency of urine, after one month of treatment, he is continuing oral medicines only and he regularly comes for following up in OPD. Now on the tenth follow up patient had much improvement in above symptoms. His blood sugar level and weight were also reduced significantly after the treatment.

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