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A Litreary Review of *Vishama Jwara* and its principle of treatment

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ABSTRACT

In Ayurveda, Jwara is not merely the concept of raised body temperature, but as is said in Charaka Samhita, 'Deha- Indriya- Manah- Santap' is the cardinal symptoms of Jwara. This can be defined as the state where the body, mind as well as sense oragans suffer due to the high temperature. Vishamajwara is a type of fever, which is described in all Ayurvedic texts. Charaka mentioned Vishamajwara and Chakrapani have commented on Vishamajwara as Bhutanubanda, Susruta affirmed that Aagantuchhanubhandohi praysho Vishamajware. Madhavakara has also recognised Vishamajwara as Bhutabhishangajanya (infected by microorganism). Vishamajwara is irregular (inconsistent) in it's Arambha (nature of onset commitment), Kriya (action production of symptoms) and Kala (time of appearance) and possesses Anushanga (persistence for long periods). The treatment of this disease depends upon Vegavastha and Avegavastha of Jwara. Various Shodhana and Shamana procedures are mentioned in classics to treat Visham Jwara.

Key words: Jwara, Vishama Jwara, Shodhana, Shamana.

INTRODUCTION

Ayurveda has a significant name. It is the knowledge of the science, which ensures health and longevity. It is in no way inferior to other systems. The Ayurvedic doctors had very great influence in the field of medicine.

Ayurveda mentioned *Jwara* as the synonym of the disease or a febrile condition. "From among all disorders fever deserves to be described first, it being

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the foremost of all somatic diseases". *Charaka* mentioned *Jwara* afflicts body, mind and sense organs, regulates the well being of life. *Chakrapani* described *Jwara* as "*Jwarayati Santapayati*" i.e. disease associated with burning manifestation is known as *Jwara*.^[1]

Jwara is the term originated by the anger of Rudra. Rudra is known as god of destruction in Hindu mythology.^[2]

Jwara is the king of all diseases and known by different terms in various animals also i.e. Pakala for the Jwara of elephants and Abhitapan for horses' etc. Vishamajwara is the varieties of Jwara, which can be identified by its peculiarity of Visamata (irregularity).

Vishamajwara characterised by Visamarambha (irregular onset) Visama Kriya (alternative feeling of hot and cold) and Visamakala (irregular duration of sufferings) of Jwara. [3]

Susruta believed this to be caused by Agantuka Karana or Parahetu (external factor) . This Parahetu is

more cleared by commentator *Dalhana* as *Bhutabhisanga*.^[4]

Bhutabhisanga can be correlated with parasitic infection as discussed in modern medicine.

Vishamajwara, literally meaning irregular fever, is very vast. It may be remittent type or intermittent type as Keetanu (micro-organisms) have been incriminated as one of the causes of Vishamajwara. The major cardinal symptoms of Vishamajwara i.e. Fever with chill and rigor have been observed to be present in other disease including Malaria, which is a protozoal disease caused by plasmodia group of organism and transmitted to man primarily by certain species of infected female anopheles mosquitoes.

The description of *Vishamajwara* was known from ancient era. In "Upanishad" (400B.C) *Vishamajwara* is described as "*Takman*". It is described that the *Jwara* having *Dahana* and *Shosana* properties, which attacks like fire (*Agni*) and they're by the patient runs like a mad. For it's relief chanting of *Mantras* has been described to pray God.^[5]

Synonyms of Vishamajwara

The synonyms of *Jwara* are *Tapah*, *Shushmi*, *Shoka*, *Abhishoka*, *Rudraha*, *Papma*, *Amarthya Vigadh*, *Vyangah*, *Sheersha*, *Parbheta* and *Sochi* etc. mentioned in the *Veda* are said to be developed due to *Rudrakopa*.^[6]

Samhita and Sangraha Kala

Wide description of *Vishamajwara* is found in *Samhita* granthas like, *Charaka*, *Sushrut*, *Bhela*, *Harita*, *Kashyapa*, *Madhava*, *Sharangadhara*, *Bhavaprakash*, *Yogaratnakara* etc. *Kashyapa* considered that in the *Vishamajwara* specific properties of *Jwara* are found in a irregularity manner. He enumerated the *Vishamajwara* as follows *Santataka*, *Satataka*, *Anyeduska*, *Triteeyaka* and *Chaturthaka* considering the days of its onset. According to *Kashyapa* the aetiology lies as - if one takes exercise, heavy meal, unsuitable diet, excess drinking of water or milk, blackgram preparation, recent curd, paste of tila, village animal flesh, *Virudhahara* (incompatible food), day sleeping and takes much food before the

digestion during the period of *Jwara* temperature goes on rising and attains the stage of *Vishamajwara*. He also described not to take *Kashaya* during the *Amavastha* or *Tarunavastha* of *Jwara* etc. which may leads to *Vishamajwara*. *Bhaluki* considered that the *Jwara* that comes with cold or hot stage with temperature rise or low is uncertain in *Vishamajwara*.

Charaka described that all the Vishamajwara are Tridoshaja in origin. Susruta considered that the Vishamajwara occurs due to Tridosha but Vata is the dominant Dosha. He considered the Agantuka Karana (external cause) of which Bhutabhishanga constitute one of the variety in the main aetiology for Vishamajwara.^[7]

Vagbhata defined Vishamajwara, as the Jwara is irregular in respect to its onset, suffering and symptoms. The Mandagni during Adanakala is one of the important causes of Vishamajwara. He also advocated if an emaciated patient who takes irregular diet during convalescent period in spite of residual of small quantity of Dosha may causes Vishamajwara. [8]

According to Hareeta^[9] the Vishamajwara is five types such as Vataja, Ekaikajwara, Dwahieka Jwara, Triahika Jwara, Chaturthakjwara. Chakrapani opines, the poisonous insects may be considered under the word Bhuta. Dalhana consider Bhutas responsible to produce Vishamajwara. Madhavkara^[10] views as Bhuta plays an important role for Vishamajwara too.

In Amarkosh the Bhuta means Keetanu. Jejjata considered Vishamajwara as Tridoshaja in origin. Most of the authors considered five types of Vishamajwara. Bhavamishra and Madhavakara have included Pralepaka Jwara also in the group of Vishamajwara.

Nidana

Factors relating to Ahara

- 1. Kasaya Dravya Sevana
- 2. Ruksha Dravya Sevana
- 3. Ushna Dravya Sevana
- 4. Shitambu Pana

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- 5. Santarpan Dravya sevana
- 6. Anupamansa Bhakshana
- 7. Pinaka Bhojana
- 8. Asatmya Dravya Bhojana
- 9. Virudha Padartha Bhojana (antagonist food)
- 10. Ahita Ahara Sevana

Factors relating to Vihara

- 1. Visausadhi Gandha Sevana
- 2. Divaswapna (day sleeping)
- 3. *Mithya Vihara* (the habits which is not good for health)
- 4. Sorrowfulness

Other Nidana

- 1. Aupasargika Karana
- 2. Rutuparivartana
- 3. Kroda
- 4. Bhaya

Role of Bhuta (Keetanu) in Vishamajwara

Susruta believed that Vishamajwara takes place due to Agantuka Karana (external cause). Agantuka is divided into 4 types i.e., Abhighata, Abhichara, Abhishapa and Abhisanga. Dalhana considered Abhisanga as Bhutavisanga. Chakrapani stated poisonous insects may be considered as Bhuta. According Amarkosha it is Keetanu. Therefore the Keetanu introduced the body by its corresponding portan entry and aggravates the Doshas. The time taken from the entry to manifestation of disease is known as Sanchaya Kala (incubation period). After Sanchaya the Doshas follow their normal pathway to travel for manifestation of diseases. But in this instance which Dosha is principal may be considered on the type of *Keetanu* and the strain of *Keetanu*.^[11] Regarding the vectors, Charaka mentions countries which abound Mashaka (mosquitoes), Mooshaka (rats) and Makshika (flies) as unhealthy. [12]

In *Charaka*, it is stated that "unsanitary winds, unsanitary water, unsanitary countries and unsanitary

seasons are cause of catastrophes. Water is considered to be more important than wind, and country more important than water and season yet more important than country by virtue of their degree of indispensability.^[13]

In this statement one can see the rudimentary concept of germ theory and epidemiology.

Relation of Dosha in Vishamajwara

Ayurvedic doctrine based on the *Tridosha* theory. The three *Doshas* are responsible for all diseases when they are deranged. The vitiated *Dosha* after localising in *Dhatus* of the body are responsible to produce diseases. Through it is described in all classical texts that *Vishamajwara* is *Tridoshaja* but *Vata* plays an important role. *Charaka* described that *Vishamajwara* is developed due to vitiation of *Tridosha*, but according to predominance of *Dosha* different features of its varieties may be noticed. [14]

According to Susruta Vishamajwara is due to predominance of Vata and Kapha, because patient feels chill and rigor during first stage. Vagbhata described due to vitiation of three Doshas, five types of Vishamajwara occur. Jejjata described Vata plays an important role in Vishamajwara where as Pitta and Kapha remain quiescent stage. According to Hareeta predominance of Vata, Pitta and Kapha Dosha causes Pittolbana Vatolbana, and Kapholbana Vishamajwaras in 14th, 18th and 22nd days respectively. According to Ayurvedic scholars the seat of Jwara is stated to Amashaya. The three Doshas (Samana Vayu, Pachahaka Pitta, Kledakakapha remain in Amashaya in Jwara the Pitta is mainly involved with Samanavata and Kledakakapha. Jwara occurs in whole body by the circulation of blood with the help of Vyanavata. Besides all the factors *Pitta* plays an important role for producing Jwara. So description of Pitta may not be out of place. Tapa (temperature) and Daha (burning sensation) are due to Pitta. Pitta regulates the normal body temperature along with other functions also.

Role of Dushya in Vishamajwara

In Vishamajwara the Doshas are not only localised in Rasa Dhatu like other Jwara. But Rakta, Mamsa,

Meda, Asthi and Majja Dhatu are also involved subsequently as stated by Charaka, Susruta and Vagbhata in the following manner as regard its seat in particular Dhatu.

- 1. Rasa Dhatu Santata Jwara
- 2. Rakta Dhatu- Satata Jwara
- 3. Mansa Dhatu Anyedushka Jwara
- 4. Meda Dhatu Triteeyak Jwara
- 5. Asthi Dhatu Chaturthak Jwara
- 6. Majja Dhatu Chaturthak Jwara

Relation of Vega in Vishamajwara^[15]

As a seed lies dominantin the soil and grows up in favourable time, *Doshas* stay in *Dhatus* and get vitiated in opportune time. The *Dosha* having attained exacerbation and timely strength due to weakening of the contracting factor gives to the tertian as well as the quatrain fever. After the paroxysm, the *Doshas* being weakened stay in their respective places and being reinforced in their opportune times again give rise to fever.

Role of *Prakruti*

Prakruti plays pivotal role in occurrence and prognosis of diseases. According to Deha Prakruti the Dosha Kalpana is also considered. The Vishamajwara due to Kapha is difficult to cure in Kapha Prakruti because in this disease the Vata and Pitta are less powerful. Similarly Pittolbana is difficult to cure in Pitta Prakruti and Vatolbana is difficult to cure in Vata Prakruti. [16]

Role of Kala in Vishamajwara

The rise of temperature at the end of the day, end of the night is due to *Vata Dosha*, the same rises in the mid-day and mid night due to *Pitta Dosha*. The rise is during morning and evening hours due to *Kapha Dosha* respectively. Besides these, same disease is produced in particular season. According to the principles of Ayurveda *Vata* is aggravated in *Varsa*, *Pitta* in *Sharat* and *Kapha* in *Vasanta*. If a person takes "*Mithya Ahar-Vihara*" in a particular season the

particular *Dosha* of that season is provacated. The aggravated doshas interact *Rasa* and other *Dhatu* and ultimately produces *Vishamajwara*.

Role of Agni in Vishamajwara

Among the thirteen types of *Agni*, the *Jataragni* is most important. [17]

It digests the food and controls all other *Pittas*. The *Pachakapitta* remains in *Grahani* and stimulates *Dhatwagni*. If a person adopts *Mithya Ahara* and *Vihara* for a long time then the imbalance *Dosha* localised in *Amashaya*, disturb the functions of the same and displace *Agni*. Therefore, activity of *Agni* becomes impaired in *Amashaya* but enhances in *Dhatu*. Ultimately there is formation, of *Ama Rasa* and obstruction of *Rasavaha* and *Swedavaha Srota* giving rise to different clinical features known as *Jwara Roga*.

Role of Ama in Vishamajwara

Ama is defined as undigested food particles, which subjected to less amount of Agni as desired. This Ama is produced in Amashaya as a result of Aharapaka. Ama may be grouped into two parts (1) local and (2) systemic. The systemic effects of Ama (Amarasa) which sticky in nature obstruct the fine channels of Swedavaha Strotas as a result there is elevation of body temperature. On the other hand Bhutabhisanga Vishamajwara, person having Bhatubaisamya, Swabhava (immunity) and the Keetanu directly involved the Dhatu and produces Agantuka Vishamajwara.[17]

Role of Srotas in Vishamajwara

In Ayurveda all diseases are produced by Srotovaigunya. Jwara is due to Annavaha Srotavaigunya in general. But in Vishamajwara there is no clear description about particular Srotavaigunya. According to signs, symptoms and site of Dhatus it may be concluded that Udakavaha, Swedavaha, Rasavaha, Raktavaha, Mansavaha, Medavaha, Asthivaha, Majjavaha and Manovaha Srotas are involved.

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Role of Rogamarga in Vishamajwara

Ayurveda described the three *Rogamarga* (pathway of disease) for the manifestation of diseases. The seat of *Jwara* is *Amashaya* and is one of the organs of *Kostha* (thoraco-abdmino-pelvic cavity). Therefore, *Jwara* is considered as abhyantara *Rogamargaja Vyadhi*.

Types

There are mainly five types of *Vishamajwara* accepted now.^[18] But there are various views on these types of *Vishamajwara* illustrated below.

- Charaka described five types according to its Vega and Agamankala i.e., Santata, Satata, Anyeduska, Triteeyak and Chaturthaka. [19]
- According to Vagbhata, Santataka, Satata, Triteeyaka, Anyeduska, Chaturthaka, and Chaturthaka Viparyaya. Here has classified the Viparjaya as Vatadhikya, Pittadhikya and Kaphadhikya.^[20]
- Susruta advocates as Santataka, Satata, Anyeduska, Triteeyaka, Chaturthaka, Pralepaka and also due to predominance of Doshas (Anupathyaka Jwara Madhya Samudbhavan) and Vata Balasaka.^[21]
- 4. Harita describe as Kahika, Dwahika, Trayahika, Chaturthaka.^[22]
- According to Gananath Sen it is four types such as Vatabalasaka, Sleepadika, Kalajwara, Upadravikjwara.^[23]
- Kharanada described as Viparita Tikhanata Santatajwara, Anyeduska, Triteeyak and Chaturthaka.
- 7. Kashyapa described it as Viparita Tikshanata Santatajwara, Anyeduska, Triteeyak and Chaturthaka.
- 8. *Drudhabala* described two types such as *Triteeyaka* and *Chaturthaka*.
- Madhavakara viewed that Santata, Satataka, Anyeduska, Triteeyaka, Chaturthaka. Here Triteeyaka is again divided into three types according to predominance of Dosha like

Kaphapitta. Vatakapha, Vatapitta Chaturthaka, two types as Slesmika and Anila. Besides this he described another three types known as Chaturthaka, Viparjava, Vatavalasaka and Pralepaka. [24]

Samprapti of Vishamajwara [25]

If the Mithya Ahara Vihara taken in case of residual fever or during convalescent period of *Jwara* it causes Vishamajwara being localised in one or more Dhatu. On the other hand Keetanu may aggravate Dosha in according to Balam Kalamcha Prapya (dependent on the host strength and climate). But according to Susruta as well as supported by Madhavakara about the pathogenesis of disease stated that if a weak person just after fever adopts unsuitable food and drink, his residual doshas aggravated being afflicted by Vata localised in Kaphasthana (Shira, Kantha, Hridaya, Amasaya) to produce different of Vishamajwara. The five types of Vishamajwara manifested after invading of Rasa, Rakta, Mamsa, Meda, Asthi and Majja Dhatu and loges at Shira, Kantha, Hridaya, Amasaya and Rasavaha Srotas, as a result of which the following types of Vishamajwara are produced.

- Santata continuous fever Rasa Dhatu wall of Amashaya
- Satata double quotidian fever Rakta Dhatu Amashaya
- Anyeduska quotidian fever mamsa and meda – Hrudaya
- 4. Triteeyaka tertian fever Asthidhatu Kantha
- 5. Chaturthaka quartan fever Majja Dhatu Shira

Samprapti of Santatajwara

The word Santataja Jwara means fever in continuos nature. Now it is under controversy before the modern Ayurvedic scholar's deviates from the definition of Vishamajwara. But to overcome the controversy Charaka classified that the 'Muktanubandhitvam Visamatvam', which means fever with relapsing nature. Then Dosha circulating in

body through *Rasavaha Srotas* with the help of *Vata* and gets localised in the *Kapha Sthana*. The period of localisation may vary according to *Kala Prakriti* and predominance of *Doshas*. They also affect *Dhatus* and *Malas* to manifest the diseases. The site of *Santatajwara* is *Rasadhatu* and its period is 7 days, 10 days, 12 days according to predominant of *Vata Pitta* and *Kapha* respectively. During this period the *Jwara* may either subside or kill the patient without appropriate therapeutics intervention.^[26]

According to *Harita* the period of subsidence of *Jwara* is 14, 18, 22 days in *Vatolbana*, *Pittolbana* and *Kapholbana* respectively. During the period the fever may subside or kill the patients.

Dosha Pradhanyata [27]

The *Dosha Pradhanyata* in the *Santata Jwara* is tabulated as below.

Table 1: Showing the *Dosha* pradhanyata in *Vishamajwara*.

Kala (Rutu)	Dushya	Dosha
Vasanta	Medas	Kapha
Sharad	Rakta	Pitta
Varsha	Asti	Vata

Samprapti of Satatajwara

The Satatajwara is said to be Dwikalika (two times) in an Ahoratra (24hr). The vitiated Doshas are localised in Raktavaha Srotas and aggravated in a day and night. According to Kashyapa this types of aggravation and remission depends upon the Kala, Dosha and Dushyas. Dalhana considered Jwara be twice in day. Once in a night, because the seat of Satatajwara is Raktadhatu. Raktavaha Srotas is comparatively minute and more distant than Rasavaha Srotas. So Dosha gets longer time to enter in Srotas causing Vishamajwara. When doshas more from Rasavaha to Raktavaha during this phase there will no be only febrile attack.

According to *Vagbhata* onset of Jwara in *Vata Dosha* is at early *Aparanha* (afternoon) and *Pratyusha* (morning and last part of night). *Pitta Dosha* aggravates in midday and midnight and *Kapha Dosha* in *Purvanha* (evening hours)

Vruddhi Kshayatmaka of Satatajwara [28]

The heavy Doshas spread all over the body through the channels carrying Rasa and stiffened and give rise to Santata Jwara (remittent fever). Being unbearable and quick – acting it gets subsides or kills the patients by the period of seven, ten or twelve days. Dosha equal in respect of time, dushya, (affected tissue) and constituents and having no counter acting factor causes the remitted fever and as such in quite unbearable. In remittent fever, as a rule, Vata etc. also affect in urine and faeces simultaneously as the Dhatus. This fever gets subsides or becomes fatal in periods of a week etc. according to the conditions whether Rasa etc. have been purified completely or not. When they are not purified completely or entirely the remitted fever gets lodged in the twelve entities (seven Dhatus, three Doshas, urine and faeces). Thus even after remission on twelfth day, it continues hidden for a long time without responding to any treatment. Considering all this, the physician should treat the case of fever. Mostly in such management de-saturating remedy is administered at first.

Samprapti of Anyeduska Jwara

Jwara Vega occurs once in a whole day or night is called Anyeduska Jwara. Kashyapa named it as Anusargee and in Veda it is known as "Anyeduha". Vagbhatta considered that Manasvaha Srotas are very smaller(minute) than Raktavaha Srotas. Therefore delay occurs because of Doshas have to reach a longer distance. This Doshas circulated all over the body slowly and ultimately reach Mansavaha Srotas once in a whole day or night.

Samprapti of Triteeyak Jwara

The Jwara Vega occurs once in every third day. Vagbhata considered that the sites of vitiated Doshas are Medhadhatu and Medavaha Srotas. Dosha gets

longer time to enter *Medavaha Srotas* from *Rasavaha Srotas*. So the paroxysm of fever is on every third day.

Doshanusara Bheda - Trika Grahi - Prusta Grahi - Shirograhi [29]

Triteeyaka Jwara (tertian fever) is of three types,

- Due to Kapha and Pitta stating from Trika (sacral region)
- 2. Due to Vata and Kapha starting from the back
- 3. Due to Vata and Pitta starting from head.

Likewise, the quatrain fever has also two type of characters - one caused by *Kapha* and starting from legs and other caused by *Vata* and starting from head.

Samprapti of Chaturthaka Jwara [30]

Jwara comes on every fourth day having two days interval between the onset of every attack. The site of Dosha in this Jwara is said to be Majja-Dhatu which is deeper than other discussed above. So vitiated Dosha takes a longer period to reach there. Therefore paroxysm of fever is an every fourth day.

According to Kashyapa the Dosha which have been localised in Shirasthana moves towards Kanthas than in one day from Kanthasthana to Hrudaya on next day and from Hrudaya to Rasadhatu or Amashaya to manifest the Jwara on the fourth day. Dosha located in Shira and Majja Dhatu being provocateur by Kala Prakriti. Dushya enters into Amasaya and produce Agnimandya. The produced Ama causes Srotarodha and responsible for Vimaragagamana of Jataragni.

Dosha it has been classified in two types.

- 1. Kaphadhikya Chaturthak Jwara
- 2. Vatadhikya Chaturthaka Jwara

Kaphadhikya Chaturthak Jwara originates from Jangha Pradesh and spread all over the body and Vatadhikya Chaturtaka Jwara originates from Shira and spread throughout the body.

Viparyaya Jwara

If the fever comes in its remission period discussed above then it can be regarded as *viparyayajwara*. The word *viparyaya* means *virudhata/veniyama* or

parivartana (reverse). Sushruta considered it as Viparjaya. Charaka and Vagbhata considered for Chaturthaka as "Viparyaya Jwara" are mainly according to the predominant of Doshas in the particular site of vitiation. Here it is noted that the vitiated Doshas has no definite place to be localised in any of the five Kapha Sthana in Santatajwara, there is no Viparyaya because the Dosha remains in all five Kaphasthanas. But in case of Anyeduskajwara, if it is comes in remission period than it is known as Anyeduska Viparyaya, in Chaturthaka Viparyaya Jwara Vega occurs continuously for three days and subside as fourth day. Also the similar process takes place in Treetiyaka Jwara.

Table 2: Duration and Vega in different Jwaras

Name of Jwara	No. of <i>Vega</i>	Period
Santata	Nirantara (whole time)	7,10 or 12 days
Satata	Twice	In <i>Ahoratra</i> (24hr)
Anyeduska	Once	In <i>Ahoratra</i> (24hr)
Triteeyaka	Once	An alternate day
Chaturthaka	Once	On every 4 th day
Chaturthaka Viparjaya	Twice	In between two days leaving 1st and 4th day

Sadhya Sadhyata (prognosis)

Sadhya-Sadhyata is very important to assess the prognosis of disease before starting treatment. In a person who is strong, vitiation of *Dosha* is mild without any complication of *Jwara* is said to be *Sadhya*.

If the *Jwara* developed by strong positive factors which all the sign and symptoms are present, function

of *Indriya* (sense organ) are derranged, the disease is considered to be *Asadhya*. If the *Jwaravega* is *Antarvega*, it is said to be *Kruchhara Sadhya* (curable with difficulties) and *Vaheervega* it is *Sukhasadhya*. When the *Jwara* associated with *Bhrama*, *Durbala*

Flow chart –1
Schematic diagram of Vishamajwara Samprapti



Indriya, Tikshna Jwaravega, Durbalata, Prabahani, Aruchi and function of Indriyas become feeble then the Jwara is said to be Asadhya.

The Santata Jwara if one or two Doshas are involved then it is curable but if more two than kill the patient. The Anyedushka, Satata. Triteeyak are curable as the Doshas lies in superficial as in Rakta, Mansa and Meda Dhatu. Chaturthaka is difficult to cure because

the *Doshas* lies in deeper Dhatus like *Asthi, Majja* leaving to development of other diseases.

The *Bhutavisanga Vishamajwara* depends upon *Bhaya*, *Bala*, *Agni*, *Prakriti* and the invovement of *Dhatus*. The symptoms like *Swasa*, *Murcha*, *Chharoli Trishna*, *Atisara*, *Vatagraha*, *Hicca*, *Kasa*, *Angavedana* are detected than it is said to be *Asadhya*.

Management of Vishamajwara in Ayurveda

In Ayurveda removal of positive factors as well as measures adopted for the maintenance of *Doshic* equilibrium is called as *Chikitsa*. There are 3 types of *Chikitsa* i.e.,

- 1. Daiva Vyapasraya
- 2. Yukti Vyapasraya and
- 3. Satwavajaya

Yuktivyapasraya joins its popularity now days because of its application of therapeutics dilemmas in particular ailments. Again this is divided into three parts i.e.,

- 1. Antahparimarjan (internal purification)
- 2. Bahirparimarjan (external purification and
- 3. Sastra Pranidhana (surgical measures)

For each one of those five fevers different Kashayas (decoctions) are prescribed. Though bitter drug is prescribed in any kind of fever, in the treatment of Vishamajwara more emphasis is laid on bitter drugs like Kirata, Guduchi, Bharangi, Nimba etc. The emphasis on bitter medicine is due to the vitiated Dosha (Pitta) though other two Doshas also play some important role. For Pitta Shamana drugs, which are astringent, bitter and sweet are useful. In high temperature and extreme burning sensation of the body, application of water and milk externally are recommended for immediate relies. Some Lauha preparations like Vishamajwarantaka Lauha. Sarbajvarahar Lauha, Chandanadilauha etc. will be highly useful in case of anemia after malaria attack.

Perusal of various texts of Ayurvedic classics will indicate the following main mode of treatment in *Vishamajwara*.

- 1. Kasaya (decoction) (Panchakashaya)
- 2. Ghritams (medicated ghee)
- 3. Suportive therapy like Rasona Yoga
- 4. Anjana
- 5. Dhupana

Role of Langhana

The treatment of ordinary fever, Langhana (fasting), Swedana (diaphoretics), Kala (time factor), Yavagu (liquid diet) and Tiktarasa (bitter medicines) are indicated. In Vishamajwara, Langhana and Swedana are not recommended.

Deterrence/Prevention

- Avoid endemic regions.
- Take the proper prophylactic drugs at proper intervals if traveling to endemic regions.
- Use topical insect repellent (30-35% diethyltoluamide [DEET]), especially from dusk to dawn.
- Wear long-sleeved permethrin-coated clothing if not allergic to permethrin; spray under beds, chairs, tables, and along walls.
- Sleep under fine-nylon netting impregnated with permethrin.
- Avoid wearing perfumes and colognes.
- Seek out medical attention immediately upon contracting any tropical fever or flulike illness.

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Vrihad Kasturibhairava Rasa.

Putpakwa Vishamjwarantaka Lauha

Sarvajwarahara Lauha

Sannipatabhairava Rasa

Kanakasundar Rasa

Panchvaktra Rasa

Jalabandhu Rasa

Laghusoochikabha rana Rasa

Mahajwarankusha Rasa

Jwarankush Rasa

Hutashana Rasa

Agnikumar Rasa

Trinetra Rasa

<u>Vati</u>

Sanjivanivati

Sudarshanaghan Vati

Amrutadivati

Jwaraghnivati

Choornas

Anantadi Choorna. Sudarshana Choorna

Mahasudarshana Choorna

Nimbadi Choorna

Dadimashtaka Choorna

Arishta

Amrutarishta.

Kutajarishta

<u>Pralepa</u>

Kulatthadipralepa

Gairikadipalepa.

Dashamoolapralepa

Ghrita

Indukanta Ghrita.

Panchatikta Ghrita.

Shatpala Ghrita.

Amritashatpala

Ghrita

Pippalyadi Ghrita

Kalyanaka Ghrita

Mahakalyanaka Ghrita <u>Kwatha</u>

Guduchyadi Kwatha

Pathyadi Kwatha

Mustaparpatkadi .

Kwatha

Nagaradi Kwatha

Mustadi Kashaya

Kiratiktakadi Kwatha

Kshudradi Kwatha

Parpatakadi Kwatha

Tiktadi Kwatha

Drakshadi Kwatha

Hiberadi Kwatha

Patoladi Kwatha Lodharadi Kwatha

Duralabhadi Kwatha

Chandanadi Kwatha

Mustadyaasta Dashanga Kwatha

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