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## ROLE OF *KAKUBHĀDI AVACŪRŅANA* IN THE AYURVEDIC MANAGEMENT OF *MADHUMEHAJANYA* VRAŅA (DIABETIC FOOT ULCER) – A CASE STUDY

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## ABSTRACT

"The destruction / break / rupture / discontinuity of body tissue / part of body, is called '*Vraṇa*'."The healing of wound is a natural mechanism of the body which happens within one week if no Doshic invasion takes place. Wounds in lower extremity are generally caused by venous insufficiency and Diabetic neuropathy which may hamper the quality of life of the patient by ending up in lower limb amputation. *Madhumehajanya Vraṇa* (Diabetic Foot Ulcer) mostly fall in the category of *Duṣṭa Vraṇa* and is considered *Kricchra Sādhya* or *Yāpya*. Management of such ulcer falls into three parts - removal of callus by debridement, eradication of infection by use of antibiotics and reduction of weight bearing forces, often requiring bed rest. Here is being reported a case of non-healing wound after Clavus removal surgery. A 60-year-old male patient with a history of uncontrolled Diabetes mellitus more than 15 years consulted to OPD of Department of Shalya Tantra, S.V. Ayurvedic Hospital, Tirupati with non-healing, irregular shaped wound on the Left foot plantar aspect developed since 6 months' post-surgery. The treatment resulted in complete wound healing within 4 weeks with Ayurvedic internal and external medicines at OPD level. This case concluded that the regular local application of *Kakubhādi Avacūrṇana* is helpful in Post-Surgical Diabetic Non-Healing wound.

Keywords: Madhumehajanya Vrana, Diabetic Foot Ulcer, Dusta Vrana, Kakubhādi Avacūrņana.

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