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Effect of Snehapana on Nidranasha in a Case of Ekakushtha

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Abstract

Nidra is one of three important pillars of life that paves way to health & longevity. Nidra is brought about by Shleshma Dhatu & Tamoguna. Vata Vrudhhi of any origin developing in the body can lead to Nidranasha.

Dhatukshaya is a form of Dhatuvaishamya also termed as Vikara. Dhatukshaya is an important cause as well as result of vitiation of Vata in the body. Management of Nidranasha in any pathological condition needs correction of Dhatukvaishamya either in the form of Kshaya or Vridhhi & establishing Dhatusamya. Hence, Yathakala Nidralabha (timely sleep) has been cited as one of the standards in the attainment of Dhatusamya.

In a case of *Ekakushtha* (plaque psoriasis), *Nidranasha* of longstanding origin was successfully managed with the use of *Panchtikta Ghrita* as *Shamana Sneha* that also helped to alleviate other symptoms like *Kandu*, *Daha*, *Tvakdarana*, *Araktata* & *Vibandha* & overall wellbeing.

Sneha could be of great help in conditions of Nidranasha to restore sleep.

Keywords: Nidranasha, Tamoguna, Shleshma, Dhatukshaya, Panchatikta Ghrita

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