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A Review on (Dalbergia Sissoo Roxb.) with special reference to its Role in Kustha as Per Brihtrayi

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ABSTRACT:

From the very first time man has been in close contact with the flora around him. From time passing directed him to use different plants to treat various ailments. The analysis of *Dravya. Rasa, Guna, Virya and Vipaka* on the basis of *Panchamahabhut* is a remarkable landmark during *samhita* period and classical uses are also important. There are many drugs were in practical use and the data's recorded in the form of *samhita*. The present encyclopaedic study aims to high lighten the therapeutic value of *Simsapa* (*Dalbergia sissoo* Roxb.) with special reference in *kustha*. *Dalbergia sissoo*(Roxb.) is one of the important plant species used for *Kustha*.

Keywords: Dalbergia sissoo, anti-inflammatory activity, Kustha, Charaka samhita, Sarasav, Salsaradi gana, Astang hridya.

INTRODUCTION

Medicinal plants were used as natural medicines since prehistoric times. Plants have been used in different forms found useful in medicines such as crude extract of plants has been used directly because of the presence of natural chemical constituents such as Berberine, Morphine, Psilocin, Tannin, Flavonoids, Vincristine etc.¹

Simsapa (Dalbergia sissoo Roxb was used by traditional practioner to cure various diseases. On inclusive review of Ayurvedic classics it was found that Simsapa described in Vedic compendia, and in Charaka Samhita, Sushruta Samhita and both Ashtanga Samgraha, Ashtanga Hradaya, and other samhita.²

Dalbergia is a genus having Family-Leguminoceae, Sub family-Papilionaceae comprising of plants specially lianas, shrubs and trees from family. Dalbergia sissoo is measured one of the valuable timber species both in India and Pakistan³

Normally, the medicinal plants have been widely used all over the world for prevention or treatment of health conditions, therefore historically, the herbal medicines are considered harmless due to their natural origin. *Dalbergia sissoo* is indicated for *Kustha* in *brihtrayi*. There are many formulation described for *Kustha* in *brihtrayi* in all these formulations *Simsapa* is a ingrident. *Kustha* is a *tridoshja*



vyadhi .4

Our aim was launched with a target to explore the possibility of a better control over *Kushtha* by *Shinsapa* (*Dalbergia sisso* Roxb.).

MATERIAL AND METHOD

- ➤ To evaluate Botanical description , Therapeutic uses , Formulations given for *Kustha* in *Brihtrayi*.
- ➤ To evaluate etipathogenesis of *Kustha* and mode of action of *D. sissoo* on *Kustha*

Botanical description

A tree reaching 18 -20 m. high; young part pubescent or tomentose; Trunk –study and round , branches numerous , Bark is fissured . Spreading. Leaves alternate, bifarious, imparipinnate; leaf rhachis zigzag; petioles terete, very downy when young; stipules lanceolate. caducous stalk of leaf is – long ,wavy with 3-5 leaflet , Leaflets 3-5.firm.3.8-6.3 by 3-5.4 cm. distant , Alternate. Sub orbicular. Conspicuously and abruptly acuminate, puberulous when young. ⁵

Petiolules 3-6 mm. long. Flowers are small and yellowish or whitish, Sessile or nearly so, in axillary panicles and composed of several short subsecund spikes; rhachis and branches of the panicle densely hairy; bracts linear – subulate hairy. Legumes- thin, long and with a 1-4 seed. Seeds- small and 1-4. Its thin branch color changes from whitw to yellow on chewing.

Calyx 4-5 mm. long.hairy; teeth short.ciliate. . Corolla pale yellow.6-8 mm. long; and 4 mm.broad.. The limb obovate –orbicular. Stamens 9 in one bundle, the sheath of the filaments slit only at the top. Ovary pubescent; ovules 2-4 Pods 3.8-10 by 0.6-1.3 cm. narrowed at the base into a long stalk which is twice of the calyx, thin..

Therapeutic Uses-

Simsapa is used in Svitra (leucoderma) pinasa (chronic rhinitis), Svitra (leukoderma), kuştha (obstinate skin diseases including leprosy), prameha (obstinate urinary disorders including diabetes) and suppurated ulcers. It causes abortion.⁶

The roots are astringent and used in dysentery and diarrhea. The bark and wood are bitte, Aphrodisiac. Abortifacient. Expectorant. Anthelmintic. Antipyretic. Appetiser, thermogenic ,anti chlolerin; allays thirst. Vomiting. Burning sensation; cures skin diseases. Troubles of the anus. Ulcers, diseases of the blood. Leucoderma.

dyspepsia. Dysentery. Burning sensation of the body. Scalding urine. Syphilis. Stomach troubles. The leaves are mixed with sweet-oil is a good application in excoriations used for menorrhagia ,gonorrhea and colic. A decoction of the leaves is given in the acute stage of gonorrhea and burning micturition. The wood is used in leprosy, boils, eruptions, and to allay vomiting. Leaves are used in ulcer, skin diseases, intenstinal worms etc.

Vedic period

Simsapa description was found in Vedic compendia. In Rig-Veda Shinsapa is described in "Tritiya mandal'.

Shinsapa in samhita grantha

In Charak Samhita, Shinsapa is described in Asavayoni Sara, Kashaya skandha.

In *Chikitsa-Sthana*, *Shinsapa* is described for various purposes i.e. *Rasayana*, *Kustha chikitsa*, etc.

In Sarira Sthana Shinsapa Sara dhuma was used in 'Anagata prasava' (Management of uterine inertia). In Kalpa Sthana Shinsapa is described in the description of jangala Desa. 7

In Susruta Samhita, Shinsapa is classified in Salasaradi, Mushkakadi Gana and these are used for the treatment of kustha, Dadru, Prameha, Vasameha, Rajayakshma, Sthulata, Shopha, Jvara etc.

In Astanga Hridaya, Shinsapa was described in Sutrasthan, Cikitsthan and Uttarasthan. Shinsapa has been used for various diseases in various formulations.

In *Astanga Sangraha Shinsapa* has classified in *Asanadi gana, Muskakadi gana. Shinsapa* has been used for various formulations were prescribed for *Kustha* or could be used in *Kustha*.⁸

According to *Samhita*, *Simsapa* has described for following properties and actions.

Rasa : Kasaya, Katu, Tikta

Guna: Laghu, Ruksha

Virya : Usna Vipaka : Katu

Dosa Karma: Kaphavatasamaka, Vastirogvinasi, Medohara, Vranaghna, Kushthar, Gerbhpatini.

Indications: Kustha, Prameha, Vrana, Dustavrana, Vasameha, Krmi, Jvara, Raktavikara, Sosha.

Medicinal aspect -

Anti- inflammatory: 90% ethanolic extract of *D. sissoo* leaves possessed significant anti inflammatory activity in rats. (Hajre S W et al; 2001)

Formulations-

Shinshipa panira , Trikantak taila , Mahakhadira ghrita , Shalaharadi leha ,Narsimha ghrita .

Antidiabetic Evaluation of Dalbergia sissoo against **Etiopathogenesis of** *Kustha*-

The etiology of Kustha -. Acharya Charaka has described seven factors, which are involved in the pathogenesis, these factors are Vata, Pitta, Kapha, Rakta, Mamsa and Ambu (Lasika). Distant causative factors are Adibala pravritta vyadhi (Kulaj janmakrita and Janmottara kalaja. Kushtha is Adibala Pravritta Vyadhi and if both mother and Father are having kushtha, the progeny also have Kushtha as the Shonita and Sukra of the patient were vitiated. 9

According to *Acharya Sushruta* if the person found with *kushtha* previous life then he has *kustha* in present life also if he takes rebirth.'

After taking birth, *Aharaja*-diet and pattern and *Viharaja*-faulty lifestyle are *nidanas* of *Kustha*.

Kushtha is *Tridoshja vyadhi*. ¹⁰

Mode of action of *shinsapa* in *Kustha* - *Kustha* has been described 7 types in *Charaka samhita* and 18 types in *Sushruta samhita* . Kustha is *tridosaja* and *saptadravyasanghra vyadhi*.

Kushta roga can cause due to *mithyahara vihara*, *virudhahara*, *chardi nigrahana*, *ati amla*, *lavana sevana*. Medical management of *Kushtha* is done by using drugs having properties of *rakta shodana*, *rakta shamana*, *twak prasadana*, *vishagna*, *krimighna*, *kandughna*.

Laghu, Ruksha and Tikshna Guna properties of Simsapa remove the obstruction in the Svedavahi Srotasa and allows the toxins localized out through the Sveda, thus clearing out the micro channels. Due to Ushna Virya of Simsapa it has vishghna property.

Kandu is present due to Kapha Dosha. Ushnata, Laghuta and Rukshta of Simsapa is antagonist of Sitata, Guruta and Picchilata of Kapha.

Kapha Dosha normally causes *Kandu* and *Pidika*. These *Rasapancaka* of *Simsapa* help in eliminating *Kandu* and *Pidika* due *Kaphavatahara* property.

Rakta Sodhaka Karma controls the vitiated Pitta Dosha. The Laghu, Ruksha guna of Simsapa facilitate in combating Ama Dosha and caused Koshtha Suddhi ,so Rogamarga is purified.

Table 1: Formulations are given which were indicated for different diseases. Table 2: Formulations are given which were indicated for *Kushtha* or could be used in *Kushtha*.in *Sushruta*. Table 3: Formulations are given which were indicated for *Kustha* or could be used in *Kustha*. Table 4: Formulations are given which were indicated for *Kushtha*

or could be used in Kushtha

DISCUSSION

Kushtha has been described 7 and 18 types.. It is tridosaja vyadhi. On comprehensive review of Ayurvedic classics it was found that Shinsapa was described in Astanga Hridaya, and in Chikitsa Grantha like Cakradatta, Vangsena, Charak Samhita, Susruta Samhita and both Astanga Sangraha and Yogaratnakara etc. and also in Nighantu. Simsapa contains tikta-kashaya various rasa(bitter and astringent taste)." These two rasa by the virtue of their pharmacological properties like Soshana (absorption). Vishaghnatva (anti poisonous). Kandu prashamana (reduce itching sensation). Tvakmamsa, sthirikarana (nourishment and strengthening of skin and muscle) and pidana, ropana (wound healing), Kledaupashosana (dry of exudation) causes therapeutic action of reducing edema, detoxification, restoration, antihistaminic action and contraction, healing, clearing of derbies. All these pharmacological properties are able to produce an anti-inflammatory action on the affected areas of skin, which is effective to active lymphocyte infiltration. main cause in origin of Kustha 'Saptadravyasangraha'. These Saptadravyasangraha are Tridoshaja and four dhatus to create the disease. Clarification of the term 'ghna' is destroying, killing. Simsapa inhibits the pathway of pathogenesis of Kustha by creating an unfavorable condition in dosha, dushya sammurchana (destroy the causative pathological factors). Symptoms of prodromata of *Kushtha* mainly are *Asvedana* or Atiswedana, lack of knowledge of touching including some other features like Toda, Kandutava (roughness), suptaanganam, Gaurava (heaviness) etc. The heartwood of Simsapa is Usna virya (hot potency). Agneya, (hot) pacifies aggravated Kapha and Vata.

It has *Ruksa* and *Laghu* it is *Srotosodhaka* which is desirable to remove *Avarana*.. So *Simsapa* may be effective in *Kustha roga*.

CONCLUSION

The present review on *Simsapa* in *Brahattrayi*. On review it was found that in *vedic* compendia *Simsapa* has mentioned in Brahattrayi and Ashtanga sangraha a lot of references regarding its synonyms, properties, indications are available. In *Brahattrayi* use of *Shinsapa* prescribed in *Vatavikar*, *Prameha*, *Kushtha*, *\Grdhrasi*, *Pravahika*, *Atisara*, *Agnimandhya Pravahika*, *Raktatisara*, *Vamana*, *Raktarsa*, *Krimiroga*, *Raktavikar*,

Phiranga, Upadansa, Kandu, Vatarakta, Vrana, Hikka, Svasa, Rajorodha, Kastartva, Raktapradara, Puyameha, Lalameha, Daha, Vasameha etc.

Aggravated kapha, pitta, vatta ,Rakta ,Mamsa and Ambu are the factors involved chiefly pathogenesis of Kushtha. The properties of Simsapa are Kashaya, Katu, Tikta, Rasa, Laghu-Ruksha guna and Ushna virya and Katu Vipaka. Through all these properties of Simsapa may be effective in Kushtha roga

In this regard, further studies need to carry out to explore *Simsapa* for its therapeutics potential in preventing and treating *Kushtha roga*.

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Table 1: Formulations are given which were indicated for different diseases.

S. No.	Preparations	Indication	Reference	
1. Sarasava		Kushthadi roga	C. Su. 25/49	
2. Kashaya Skandha 3.		All santarpana janya roga	C.Vi.8/144	
Simsapa	Sara	Anagata Prasava	C.Sa. 8/38	
dhuma		Baladi Rasayana		
4. Simsa	pa svarasa	Amalakayas Brhma Rasayana.	C.Ci.1/2/12	
5. Simsapa svarasa		Kushta, Gulma, Prameha etc.	C. Ci. 1/3/2	
6. Mahakhadir Ghrita			C. Ci. 7/152	

Table 2: Formulations are given which were indicated for Kushtha or could be used in Kushtha.in Sushruta.

S. No.	Preparation	Indication	Reference	
1	Salsaradi gana	Kushtha, Prameha, Pandu,	Su. Su. 38/12	
		Kaphamedovishosaka		
2	Muskakadi gana	Meha, Arsa, Pandu, Mutrasarkara	Su. Su. 38/21	
3	SÁra Sneha	Dusta vrana, Krimi, Kapha ,Kustha , Vata	Su. Ci. 45/123	
4	Sura	Kushtha, Meha	Su. Ci. 10/6	
5	Ayaskriti	Kustha, Prameha, Meda, Sthulata	Su.Ci. 10/12	
6	Simsapa Kashaya	Vasameha	Su.Ci. 11/9	
7	Sara -sneha	Dadru, Kustha,Kitibha	Su.Ci. 31/5	
8	Simsapa pakva	Kshira Sarva jvara	Su.U. 39/203	

Table 3: Formulations are given which were indicated for Kustha or could be used in Kustha

S. No.	Preparation	Indication	References
1	Asanadi gana	Svitra, Kustha, Kapharoga, Krimi, Pandu, Prameha, Medo-dosa.	A.H.Su.15/19-20
2	Mushkadi gana	Gulma, Prameha, Asmari etc.	A.H. Su. 15/32
3	Simsapasara siddha kshira	Sarvajvara chikitsa	A. H.Ci. 8/140
4	Piccha basti	Guda bhramsa, Pravahana,Ruja,Kshata Kshina	A. H.Ci. 9/96-97
5	Rasayana	Gulma, Pliha, arsha, prameha	A. H.U.39/169

Table 4: Formulations are given which were indicated for Kushtha or could be used in Kushtha

S. no.	Preparation	Indication	Reference
1	Asanadi gana	Svitra, Kustha, Vitiated Kapha, Krimi	A.S.Su. 26/13
		Pandu, Prameha and Sthaulya	
2	Muskakadi gana	Gulma, Meha, Asmari, Pandu,	A.S.Su. 26/17
		Medoroga, Arsa, Kapharoga, Sukradosa	