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Editor's Note ...

Āyurveda, the oldest known medical system in the world as an alternative medicine system is called Upaveda which has its roots in the Vedic age of India. Though historically considered to be a part of the *Atharvaveda*, the mention of ailments and curative herbs used in Āyurveda also find mention in the oldest Veda, the *Rgveda*. The two main classical Āyurveda texts, viz. *Carakasamhitā* and *Suśrutasamhitā*, the earliest documented forms of codes and regulations regarding Āyurveda begin with accounts of the transmission of medical knowledge from the gods to sages, and then to human physicians. The *Carakasamhitā*, considered to be descended from Ātreya tradition, mainly concerns itself with internal medicines. On the other hand, Suśruta legacy has been claimed to be passed down and spread by Dhanvantari.

The varied Ayurvedic therapies, which have evolved over more than two millennia include meditation, yoga, enemes, special diets and herbal medicines. Therefore, Āyurveda is not only a scientific discipline, but emphasises on a holistic approach towards living a healthy life. Although the theory and practice of Āyurveda have been considered pseudoscientific and newer forms of healthcare systems based on scientific research made its inroads in medical science, it has sustained itself through the ages. The fundamental research in Āyurveda involves replacement of faith and suppositions with scientific reasoning supported by facts and figures. Like any modern day research, Āyurveda too depends on three tools of the examination viz. *Pratyakşa*, the direct observation, *Anumāna*, the inference, and *Aptopadeśa*, the authoritative testimonies or literature. The research methodology of Āyurveda is based on *Parīkṣā*, the tools of examination and *Pramāṇa*, which refers to the evidence. The objectives of the investigation in the fundamental research are categorized into *Puruşa*, the human body *Vyādhi*, the disease, *Auşadha* the medicine *Auşadha*, and *Kriyākāla* the right time for action.

Recent researches have created a better understanding of \bar{A} yurveda among the modern medical fraternity. It was also observed that during the Covid pandemic, there were a number of claims that Ayurvedic medicines helped in relieving patient's conditions when one was affected by Covid. The Government is also promoting \bar{A} yurveda as alternative medicine.

Looking at the present scenario, It was decided to bring this 15th volume of Prācvā as Ayurvedavişeśāmkah, (Special Issue on Ayurveda). Around 55 manuscripts were received and 47 have been selected after getting them reviewed and recommended by experts in the area. This volume has been brought out in two parts consisting of twenty three articles in the 1st Part and 24 in the 2nd Part. The contents of the articles range from history of Ayurveda through the Vedic age to Puranas and Ethnobotany, Medication for Bhavaroga and Deharoga, Varna (complexion) Dinacarva, importance of Yogāsanas and water, regiments and ethics, Leech therapy, Dietetics, mental diseases, concept of Marma, the qualities of a Nurse, as discussed in various Ayurvedic texts. Two of the articles discuss the Ayurvedic Principles in Jīvānandana Nātaka and Ayurvedic references in Kālidāsa's works. We make sincere effort to publish only qualitative research papers and earnestly hope this volume of Prācyā with articles in varied range of contents on Ayurveda will provide useful source of information for scholars. We hope that our effort will bear fruit in constructive contribution to academia as we move forward. We express our gratitude to the readers and contributors who have trusted us with their write ups. We also convey our sincere thanks to the members of the Advisory Board for their moral support and also to the review experts who have spared their valuable time to review the papers.

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– Manashi Sharma

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Āyurveda in Ancient and Medieval Period: A Historical Overview

– Dr. Sanjit Debnath

 \bar{A} yurveda is one of the oldest and most holistic systems of medicine that originated in India. It has been practiced for thousands of years and continues to be a popular form of alternative medicine worldwide. In recent years, there has been a resurgence of interest in Ayurvedic medicine, both in India and around the world. This paper provides a historical overview of \bar{A} yurveda in ancient and medieval periods, highlighting its development, significance, and influence. The paper reviews the literature on \bar{A} yurveda, including primary and secondary sources, to trace its evolution over time. The study identifies the key features of \bar{A} yurveda during the ancient and medieval periods and highlights its relevance to contemporary healthcare practices. The paper concludes that \bar{A} yurveda has been an important part of Indian culture and has contributed significantly to the development of medicine and healthcare.

Keywords: Äyurveda, ancient period, medieval period, India, medicine, health.

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Kerala Ayurvedic Tradition and Belief; A Historical Analysis

– Dr. Suresh J.

Āyurveda treatment is the medicinal treatment method that has been present in Arsha Bharata culture. Tradition and History records that this form of treatment that has existed since the beginning of Indian culture. Āyurveda is a healing tradition that has been in existence since the Sangam period in Kerala. The Kings of Kerala have often encouraged this tradition. Āyurveda. It is a form of medicine closely related to the nature .. As it is a method of treatment that is accepted by everyone in the world, it has spread everywhere in a short period of time. An example of this is the current Aştavaidyā tradition and toxicology in Kerala. Moreover, Ottamuli practices also exist. Āyurveda, which stands for the health of the mind and the health of the body, is believed to be derived from the gods and derived from nature according to religious scripts.

Keywords: Ottamuli, Mantras, Astavaidyās, Vāta, Pitta, Kapha Lāda treatment, Kāyakalpam.

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A study on General Etiological Factors of Mānasa Vyādhi as per Āyurveda:

– Himadri Sarma

 \bar{A} yurveda is a science of life. It mainly aims at attainment of four puruşārthas which are – dharma, artha, kāma and mokşa. But for the attainment of these four puruşārthas health is the most important factor. \bar{A} yurveda approaches in holistic upliftment of health. But in this approach mind plays an important role. Without a healthy mind a healthy body can not be imagined. The mind can get affected by various factors. So in this paper some etiological factors which are responsible for creating mānasa vyādhi or mental disease or mental imbalance as per \bar{A} yurveda will be discussed.

Keywords: Mānasa vyādhi, Āyurveda, asātmyendriyārtha samyoga, prajñāparādha rasāyana etc.

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सामान्यविषये आयुर्वेदशास्त्रवैशेषिकदर्शनयोः तुलनामूलकसमीक्षा

- Sharoda Mukherjee

रोगारोग्यरोगनिदानौषधानि एव भवन्ति आयुर्वेदस्य तथा चिकित्साशास्त्रस्य विषयाणि। अपरत्र मोक्षप्राप्तिः एव विषयो भवति दर्शनशास्त्रस्य, परमलक्ष्यत्वात्।तत्र विशिष्य वैशेषिकदर्शनानुसारन्तु निःश्रेयसमेव मोक्षः। तच्च निःश्रेयसं कथं लभ्यते इति चेत् द्रव्यगुणकर्मसामान्यविशेषसमवायानां षण्णां पदार्थानां साधर्म्यवैधर्म्याभ्यां तत्त्वज्ञानादिति। अर्थात् दृश्यते, वैशेषिकदर्शने षड्पदार्थेषु अन्यतमं भवति सामान्यम्। किन्त्वस्य सामान्यस्य उद्देशः न केवलं वैशेषिकशास्त्रे कृतमपि च आयुर्वेदशास्त्रेऽपि अस्त्यस्य महती भूमिका।यतो हि, तत्र ऋषयः ज्ञानचक्षुभ्यां सामान्यविशेषगुणद्रव्यकर्मसमवायानां दर्शनं कृत्वा तेन ज्ञानेन आरोग्यपूर्वकदीर्घजीवनं प्राप्तवन्तः इत्युक्तं वर्तते। तर्हि किमुभये एव शास्त्रे उद्दिष्टस्य नामतः समानस्य सामान्यस्यस्वरूपं समानमेव? किं वा इदं सामान्यं तत्तच्च शास्त्रे समानमेव प्रयोजनं साधयति? यदि वा उभयेऽस्मिन् शास्त्रे सामान्यस्य स्वीकारः न अकरिष्यत् तर्हि का वा हानिः स्यात्इत्यादिप्रश्ने जाते तस्य समाधानत्वेन शोधपत्रेऽस्मिन् यथासाध्यं पर्योलोचयिष्यते।

शब्दसंकेतः – आयुर्वेदशास्त्रम्, न्यायवैशेषिकदर्शनम्, सामान्यम्, एकत्वकरम्, तुल्यार्थता, नित्यत्वम्, अनुगतत्वम्।

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Fever in the Carakasaṁhitā – An Analysis

- Dr. Ratul Bujarbarua

Sanskrit has continued to be the most important vehicle for intellectual discourse throughout the centuries. It can be said that the Vedas and Upanişads stand as basic source of oriental knowledge system. The six Vedāngas, Dharmašāstras, Purāņas, works on ancient Indian medical science etc. contributed much in the development of Indian knowledge system. Present day world is looking towards India with great hope perhaps for its great intellectual property reflected through Sanskrit tradition. Among the ancient texts on Āyurveda, the Carakasamhitā is considered to be the most authoritative since it represents the fundamental principles of medicine. The methods of treatment underlined in the Carakasamhitā are significant for maintaining sound health and prevention of diseases. Among the eight Sthānas or sections of the Carakasamhitā, the Nidānasthāna deals with the causes of diseases, the origination and development of diseases and diagnosis of diseases. The first Chapter of the Nidānasthāna deals with the various types of fever and diagnosis which was perhaps existed during the time of the Carakasamhitā. It considers Jvara as the most powerful disease since it effects body, mind and senses. There was a belief at that time that the gods were responsible for causing fever and they can only provide remedies. The paper highlights the concepts of Jvara in the light of Carakasamhitā which are important in determining the cause of fever and its proper management.

Key words: Carakasamhitā, Nidānasthāna, Jvara, Āyurveda

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Āyurveda-Focussed Covid-19 Research: A Bibliometric Study

– Dr. Niraj Barua

A new research paradigm in the field of Āyurveda has emerged as a result of the growing study into preventing the spread of Covid-19. The Covid-19 researchers with an Āyurveda concentration are now investigating how Āyurveda and its many tenets may help manage the pandemic crisis. 214 documents on Covid-19 researchers with an emphasis on Āyurveda were analysed as part of this bibliometric study. This study's goal was to examine the volume, rising trend, global distribution, important journals, prominent authors, dominant countries, and dominant fields among Covid-19 researchers who focused on Āyurveda. Because of its legitimacy and richness, the researcher chose the Scopus database for this study. Seven combinations of the keywords were merged together with logical operators, and then refined to include only journal article type documents. The search query thus arrived at was {TITLE-ABS-KEY (Āyurveda)} AND {TITLE-ABS-KEY ("sars-cov-2" OR "sarscov-2" OR "sars-cov2" OR "covid-19" OR "covid 19" OR "covid")} AND {LIMIT-TO (SRCTYPE, "j")} AND {LIMIT-TO (DOCTYPE, "ar")}. The study found a rising trend in Āyurveda-focused Covid-19 research, and it is hoped that this review would help modern researchers by providing an overview of the present situation.

Keywords:

Bibliometric analysis, Ayurveda, Complementary and alternative medicine, Coronavirus, COVID-19, Sarscov-2, Herbal, Research trends, Traditional Indian medicine, Traditional medicine.

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Raktacandana: A critically endangered indigenous tree: A case study to understand conservation strategies

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Raktacandana has been mentioned in Ayurvedic literature like Dhanvantaris, Nighantu Raj Ratnākar, Bhāvprkāśa Nighantu etc. Raktcandana (Pterocarpus Marsupium Roxb.) is a tree native to Nepal, commonly called Raktasar, Raktacandan, Vijayasār etc. Raktacandana has mulitifold properties like in śoṣa, viṣ, kapha, disorders, tṛṣnā, pittasār, Dāhas, Jwaras etc. It is used in various form like cūrṇa, lape, or kāsya. After the outbreak of covid-19, a set of guidelines for boosting immunity and self-care measures were promoted by Āyurveda. The present study deals with the survey of Raktcandana by Āyurveda practitioners of Jalgaon district, Maharashtra regarding its usage and multifold activities. Preliminary studies has revealed that practitioners prefer powder of Raktacandana instead of oil. All age group people prefer usage of Raktacandana based medicine. However only few people know its usage against diabetes and liver problems. Majority of practitioners are of opinion that exact effect of Raktacandana against these diseases is not known. All practitioners agreed for increased demand of Raktacandana after outbreak of covid -19.

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अथर्ववेदे भैषज्यविज्ञानम्

– Pavan Kumar Pandey

वैदिकवाङ्मये चतुर्षु वेदेषु अथर्ववेदोऽन्यतमो वर्तते। ऋग्यजुःसामाथर्वाः इति वेदगणनाक्रमे अथर्ववेदस्य चतुर्थं स्थानमस्ति। एतच्चतुर्थं स्थानमेतस्य वेदस्य अवरताकारणेन नास्ति, किन्तु पूर्वेषां त्रयाणां वेदानां सुरक्षायै तत्तद्वेदोक्तकर्मणां दार्ढ्याय च सर्वोपकारित्वादन्ते वेदस्यास्य स्थानमस्ति। अतः ऋगादित्रयाणां वेदानां कर्मसु शैथिल्यसम्भवे तत्सन्धानाय प्रायश्चिताख्यं कर्म वेदेनानेन क्रियते। गोपथब्रह्मणे ऋग्यजुःसामभिस्त्रिभिर्वेदैः वाक्पक्षात्मकं यज्ञस्यार्धशरीरं संस्क्रियत इत्युक्तम्। अर्धयज्ञशरीरं च केवलेनाथर्ववेदेन संस्क्रियत इत्यनेनापि वेदस्यास्य महत्त्वं ज्ञायते।¹ अयमेव भाव ऐतरेय ब्राहाणेऽपि यज्ञस्य वाद्युनोरूपवर्तनीद्वयरूपकेणोक्तः।²

अथर्ववेदनाम्नो निर्वचनेनापि वेदस्यास्य महत्त्वं स्पष्टं भवति। तथा हि अथर्वशब्दः निरुक्तकारेण यास्काचार्येण **थर्वतिश्चरतिकर्मा तत्प्रतिषेधः इति चरतेर्गत्यर्थस्य प्रतिषेधेन निरुक्तः**। एष: प्रतिषेधः स्थिरप्रकृतित्वेन भाष्यकृता दुर्गाचार्येण व्याख्यातः। ततोऽथर्वशब्देन स्थिरप्रकृतिर्वेदः स्थिरप्रकृतिप्रतिपादको वा वेदः अथर्ववेद इति स्पष्टं ज्ञायते। सोऽयमथर्ववेदः श्रौते कर्मणि ब्रह्मणः ऋत्विजः कर्मप्रतिपादकत्वाद् ब्रह्मवेद इति, रोगादिशमनकारिप्रयोगोपदेशाद् भैषज्यवेद इति, क्षत्रस्य पुरोहितद्वारा राष्ट्र रक्षाविधायकत्वात्क्षत्रवेद इति च नामभिर्व्यवह्रियते। अथर्ववेदस्य वैशिष्ट्यानुशीलनतत्परा आसन् ऋषयः भृगव: अङ्गिरसः अथर्वाणश्च। अतः अस्य अङ्गिरोवेदः, भृग्वङ्गिरसो वेद, अथर्वाङ्गिरसो वेद इति अभिधानानि अपि सन्ति। अयं नानानामभिः प्रथितो वेदो वेदात्मकस्य पुरुषस्य मुखस्वरूपः। तथा चार्थववेदे एव श्रूयते - **सामानि यस्य लोमान्यथर्वाङ्गिरसो मुखम्** इति। मुखं हि अवयवेषु मुख्यम्। तस्मान्मुख्यत्वादर्थर्ववेदस्य महत्त्वं सर्वप्रकृष्टं मन्तव्यम्।

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Plants used as Home Remedies

– Dr. Nandita Sarmah

In ancient times, Indian people used different parts of the plants such as flowers, leaves etc. for traditional remedies and also in Ayurvedic medicine, to cure diseases. Nowadays also, importance of \bar{A} yurveda has not diminished. The nurture and preservation of such types of plants with some medicinal properties helps to protect bio-diversity also.

In this paper, our humble attempt is to note some of the plants used in these various ayurvedic remedies.

Key words- Āyurveda, Carakasamhitā, Suśrutasamhitā, Oşadhi

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The Qualities of a Good Paricāraka According to Āyurveda with Special Reference to Carakasamhitā

- Dr. Bagmita Sandilya

In the Medical Profession, nursing is regarded as an unavoidable and significant service along with the medications prescribed by the physician. It plays a vital role in the execution of certain therapy etc. to the patients. In ancient Indian medical system or Äyurveda also, a nurse or a paricāraka had to play different roles in the process of treatment of various ailments. Hence he or she should be properly trained and very much perfect in actions. She should also be prompt in doing the things as advised by the physicians with presence of mind, always be filled with compassion or sympathy towards human beings, mainly the sick or the suffered one. It is regarded as the greatest virtue or the burning source of inspiration which has engaged one in the selfless service or paricaryā for the others of the society. So here, in this paper, some glimpses of such qualities of a good nurse or a paricāraka are to be discussed elaborately, as reflected mainly in the Carakasamhitā, one of the greatest work on Äyurveda.

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The cosmeceutical value of Añjana as per the Așțāṅgahṛdayasaṁhitā- A Study

– Dr. Rashmi Rekha Goswami

The Ayurveda is the ancient Indian science of healthcare and medicine. It shows the systematic way to lead or rather to live the life. The Aşţāngahrdayasamhitā of Vāgbhaṭa is an important and popular Ayurvedic text that prescribes the logistic parameter of a healthy life in a very refined and structured way after Caraka and Suśruta. From the ancient time añjana has been used both as cosmetic and as medicine for eyes. The application of it heightens the beauty of the eyes; improves the glow, colour and glitter in eyes; makes vision clear and pleasant; prevents, reduces and also cures eye diseases. This cosmeceutical value of añjana or collyrium is going to be discussed in the proposed paper in the light of the Aşţāngahrhayasamhitā.

Key words: Añjana, Āyurveda, Astāngahrdayasamhitā, eyes, cosmeceutical, disease.

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A note on Bilva Tree with Special Reference to Āyurveda

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Bilva tree is considered as an indigenous tree of India. Importance of this tree is never denied. The tree is used in both religious and Ayurvedic purposes. Fruit of this tree is considered as good food. Besides this, various parts of bilva have high medicinal value. The fruit – both ripe and unripe, root, bark, leaves, flowers and rind of the ripe fruit – all parts of the tree are used as medicine in various diseases. It contains a bitter taste, volatile oils tannin and pectin. The wood-ash of bilva is rich in minerals and phosphates. Extensive description of bilva is found in ancient Ayurvedic texts. Moreover it is also used as home remedies and decoction of medicine till today. Here, it is a modest attempt to trace about the bilva tree with its Ayurvedic value to some extent.

Key words : Āyurveda, Bilva, morphology, Ayurvedic uses, home remedies)

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Āyurveda, the Traditional System of Indian Medicine, as Depicted in the Agni Purāṇa-An Exposition

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Āyurveda is the science of health, whose originator was Dhanvantari. It describes all the diseases and the treatment meant for them. The Purāņas describe a lot regarding the science of medicine. According to the Agni Purāņa, ailments are of four kinds: Śārīrika, Mānasika, Āgantuka and Sahaja. Āyurveda understands the importance of health in life and considering this, it focuses on wide-ranging and energetic treatments. Thus, this paper is a modest attempt to find out the concept of Ayurveda as reflected in the Agni Purāņa.

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Ayurvedic Science of Dietetics (with Special Reference to the Carakasamhitā)

– Dr. Pallabi Dutta

Ayurveda, the oldest medical system of India deals elaborately with measures for congenial living during the various phases of life. The Carakasamhitā has been considered the most authentic treatise of the Ayurveda. The Sūtrasthāna of the Carakasamhitā provides a detailed description of diet, usage of local foodstuff, etc. It emphasizes the promotion of health and prevention of diseases through a balanced diet, which is especially relevant in modern days. COVID-19 has definitely created a multidimensional crisis demanding that people step up and follow certain measures to ensure safety and good health. Numerous disorders, including rheumatoid arthritis, diabetes, obesity, etc. are caused by poor digestion. To preserve health, Ayurvedic diet planning should be carefully considered. In the present paper, our endeavour will be to discuss the concept of diet as envisaged in the Carakasamhitā and its essentiality for all ages.

Keywords: Dietetics, Ahāra, Nutrition, Āyurveda.

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The Role of Āhāra in the Process of Digestion and Metabolism: An Ayurvedic Perspective with special Reference to the Carakasamhitā

- Dr. Bhagyashree Sarma

Āhāra i.e., food is the vital component for any living being to survive. But it becomes poisonous while it is consumed in an excessive manner. That is why, a proper and balanced diet is the key source for the formation of healthy body. Food plays a significant role in the maintenance and growth of the body. Food provides energy through which we can survive. Proper and wholesome food also provides us strength and immunity. But it can be possible if the diet is in accordance with the rules and are useful for all living beings. Such kinds of food provide fuel to the fire of digestion and promote mental as well as physical strength, complexion and clarity of sense organs and give energy to mind. Proper maintenance of the power of digestion and metabolism, which creates energy in our body also depend upon the intake of appropriate food. Ancient Ayurvedic scriptures have a detailed discussion on food and its importance in the process of getting nutrition in a body. So, in this present paper an attempt has been made to highlight the role of āhārain digestion and Metabolism on Ayurvedic Perspective with special Reference to the Carakasamhitā.

Keywords: Āyurveda, āhāra (food), digestion, metabolism, Carakasamhitā.

Objectives:

This paper has been conceived with the following objectives:

- 1. To introduce the ancient Indian Medicinal Science.
- 2. To introduce the contribution of Carakasamhitā towards ancient Indian Medicinal Science.
- 3. To establish the view points of the work Carakasamhitā about food and diet.
- 4. To establish the importance of food in the process of proper digestion and metabolism.

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आधुनिकजीवने छट्कर्मणः गुरुत्वम् हठयोगप्रदीपिकाविशेषसन्दर्भे एकमालोचनम्

– Poli Mahanta

Modern life can be understood as an era of competition and busy lifestyle in which people have growth in different sides with advance technologies. These have made life comfortable and fast. New ideas have taken place in the human brain and everyone is trying to make a unique place for themselves by winning the undeclared competition of life. Late night working, getting up late in the morning etc. has become a trend. Apart from this, the eating habit has also changed. Such practices have greatly impacted the physical and mental health of people. People are suffering from various diseases. Yoga, which is a part of Ayurveda, which habit keeps people, fit both physically and mentally. Ṣaṭkarma, under haṭhayoga which is part of yoga is cleansing process which cleans inner body of human being. Its practices make a man healthy, physically and mentally. Thus, according to Haṭhayogapradīpika, how the benefits of ṣaṭkarma can be helpful in modern life or its importance at today's life is the main purpose of this research paper.

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Effect of Ayurveda Treatment in the Management of Post-Covid Complications

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Creating a holistic perspective on health becomes important as the world is passing through post-covid related health issues and ' \bar{A} yurveda' is the ancientmedical science which focusses on holistic healthy life with awareness as it is the samyogam (appropriate combination) of the śarīra (physical body), the indriyā (sensory system), the satua (mind), and the ātma (consciousness) that leads to overall wellbeing and health. Post-covid conditions include a wide range of health problems; that can last weeks, months, or years. The study on the effect of \bar{A} yurveda treatment in the management of post-COVID complications is important as the world is now looking for natural and holistic approaches to healthcare, a complementary and alternative medicine which focusses on improving one' simmunity, and with potential for cost-effective treatment. Normative survey method and qualitative analysis is adopted for present study. The study suggests that Ayurvedic treatment may be a potential therapy option for patients with post-covid complications.

Key words: Post-Covid complications, Ayurveda, ayus, Alternative medicine.

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Ayurvedic Plant-*Piper betle* Linn. (*Tāmbūlī*)

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Piper betle Linn. which is commonly called $T\bar{a}mb\bar{u}l\bar{l}$, enjoys an important place in $\bar{A}yurveda$ because of its invasive medicinal potential. It belongs to family Piperaceae. Medicinal properties of this plant are well versed in $\bar{A}yurveda$. This paper highlights the synonyms, uses, medicinal properties of tāmb $\bar{u}l\bar{l}$ in classical Ayurvedic literature, its nutritional value. The foremost objective of the paper is to revisit the ancient Ayurvedic plant and to make people aware about its medicinal value along with nutritional value.

Key Words : Ayurveda, Piper betle, Medicinal value, Nutritional value.

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Research methodology in the aspect of Carakasamhitā

– Riya Dutta

Rgveda, Yajurveda, Sāmaveda, Atharvaveda are the four vedas. Āyurveda is considered as fifth veda. Carakasamhitā is the most popular among the texts available in Āyurveda. Carakasamhitā is regarded as the seminal work on the science of life redacted by sage Caraka. Earlier it was known as Agniveśatantra. Later Drąhabala added remaining couple of chapters in samhitā. Research methodology is the study of how to conduct research scientifically and systematically. Carakasamhitā contains various doctrinal decisions which are not possible without research methodology. According to Caraka; Adhyayanam, Adhyāpanam, Tadvidsambhāşā are the three ways to gain knowledge. Many notable assemblies are mentioned in Carakasamhitā, in which various theories and decisions are formulated after research. Such as 'how does pregnancy occur', 'which organ develops first in pregnancy' are defined in the śārīrasthāna of Carakasamhitā. Theoretical & practical models of research methodology are going to be depicted in the present paper in the aspect of Carakasamhitā.

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Dinacaryā in Āyurveda

- Dr. Puspa Saikia

Āyurveda is one of a branch of the Veda but it is considered as a Upaveda of Atharva -Veda. So, the recognition of Ayurveda aligned to the Vedas. Its flow of knowledge constantly moving from generation to generation. Such as the Ayurveda started right from B Prahmā and passed through Dakşa Prajāpati and Indra to Bharadāja or Atri. Ayurveda was divided into eight specialities – Kāyacikitsa, Śalya, Śalākya, Kaumārabhrta, Agadatantra, Bhūtavidyā, Rasāyana and Vājīkarana. For the development of every special branch, a number of treaties were composed. But in course of time, some original parts of the books became destroyed for various causes. Out of them, two branches developed profoundly for establishing two distinct schools, one is Kāyacikitsā and the other is Śalyatantra. Although there were a large number of Śamhitas on various branches but at the time of Vāgbhatta, the Carakasamhita and the Suśrutasamhitā were the only treaties representing the school of medicine and surgery respectively. In this paper, we propose to rely on the text of the Charakasamhita and the Aştāngahrdayasamhitā. The "Dinacaryā" portion of Śutraśthana from both the samhitas is the matter of discussion. By following analytical method, this paper tends to perceive the relevance of the Ayurvedic principle regarding "Dinacaryā" in present life will be highlighted.

Key Words: Āyurveda, Dinacaryā, Mātrāsītiaya

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Birth-process of a Native and origination of the body-parts – with special reference to 'Asțāngahrdaya'

জাতকৰ জন্ম-প্ৰক্ৰিয়া আৰু শৰীৰৰ বিভিন্ন অংগৰ উৎপত্তিঃ 'অষ্টাঙ্গহন্দয়'ৰ বিশেষ সন্দৰ্ভত

– Dr. Chandan Hazarika

'Aşţāngahṛdaya' is an ancient treatise on Āyurveda which comprises six main chapters (sthāna) and 120 chapters. It deals with the eight parts of Āyurveda namely general medicine, pediatrics, surgery, ENT and ophthalmology, psychiatry medicine, toxicology, rejuvenates and aphrodisiac in detail. Many other topics also are discussed here besides these. In this paper, an attempt is made to discuss on the birth-process of a native and the origination of the various body parts of the human body on the basis of 'Aşţāngahṛdaya'.

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Seasonal Food and lifestyle Choices through the lens of Āyurveda: Special reference to Carakasamhitā and Suśrutasamhitā

– Aligunjana Sarma – Himanta Biswa Choudhury

It has been observed that in the present day, people are not very conscious about their diet. Due to imbalanced and unhealthy diet, people are often at risk of lifestyle related diseases. Human diet is dependent on the seasons of the year. However, people are often unaware of these facts although these have been beautifully mentioned in Äyurveda long ago. There are detailed descriptions of the six seasons and what foods are suitable for the body during those times. This paper attempts to discuss what foods should be eaten according to the seasons mentioned in Äyurveda. The main texts of Äyurveda, the Carakasamhitā and the Suśrutasamhitā, have been given special emphasis in discussing this subject.

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Ayurvedic References in Raghuvaṁśam and Abhijňānaśākuntalam of Kālidāsa

- Pratiksha Goswami

The Āyurveda is the oldest system of medicine in the world. It is the oldest healing system. In Sanskrit Āyurveda means the science of life. Ayurvedic knowledge originated in India more than five thousand years ago and is often called the mother of all healing. Āyurveda places great emphasis on prevention and encourages the maintenance of health through close attention to balance in one's life, right thinking, diet, lifestyle and the use of herbs. Knowledge of Āyurveda enables one to understand how to create this balance of body, mind and consciousness according to one's own individual constitution and how to make lifestyle changes to bring about and maintain this balance. There are eight branches of Āyurveda; they are- Kāya Cikitsā, Śālakya Cikitsā, Śalya Tantra, Agada Tantra, Bhūta Vidyā, Kaumāra Bhṛtya, Rāsāyana and Vājīkaraṇa. So, in ancient India the medical science is at peak. Therefore, everyone more or less knows about the uses of the nature to heal themselves. This perspective of nature is reflected in the works of Kālidāsa also. Therefore, the aim of this paper to find out the Ayurvedic references in his two great works; such as Raghuvaṁśam and Abhijňānaśākuntalam.

Methodology: The methodology of this paper will be analytical or comparative discourse.

Keywords: Ayurveda, Raghuvamśam, Abhijňānaśākuntalam, Uśīra, Darbha, Ingudī, Pumsavana Karma.

Scope:

1) The main scope of this paper to point out the Ayurvedic references in Raghuvamsam and Abhijňānasākuntalam.

2) To know the medicinal benefits of the plant called Usira, Darbha and Ingudi.

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The Representation of Āyurveda in Literature: An analysis of Select Texts

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 \bar{A} yurveda has been a popular form of medicine in India. Although it is perceived as a pseudoscience, many Indians have historically and presently shown utmost faith in the system. There has been much research on the subject, and many have attempted to point out the benefits of the system. One thing that has to be kept in mind regarding this is that \bar{A} yurveda is not only a form of medicine. It is rather a way of living through perfect balance with proper diet, yoga and meditation. However, as already stated, these things have been said and worked on before. Therefore, this paper will try to bring out something very new, and it would be the representation of \bar{A} yurveda in both - Indian and foreign literature. It would aim to find out if it has got just representation in literary texts or whether it has suffered from scientific prejudices.

Keywords: Āyurveda, Literature, Fiction, Medicine, Life

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