SIGNIFICANCE OF KRIYAKALPA IN TREATMENT OF NETRA ROGAS

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ABSTRACT:

Ayuveda is one of the great gifts of sages of ancient India to mankind. It is one of oldest scientific medical systems in the world, with a long record of clinical experience. Ophthalmology in Ayurvedic literature comprises of major part of shalakya tantra, branch of ashtanga Ayurveda. Eyes are the most important organ in urdhwa jatrugatha roga. We must protect and take loving care of these delicate organs. Urdhwa jathrugatha vyadhis includes the diseases of ear, nose and throat. Among all of them eyes are only organ whose anatomy, disease, and their treatment are described in detail in uttaratantra of susrutha samhitha. Ayuveda has stated the importance of eye with quote "sarvendriyanam nayanam pradhanam". Kriyakalpa is main therapeutic procedure for netra roga which is detail described by Susrutha, Vagbata and Sarangdhara. Kriyakalpa literally means the treatment, but is in vague for ocular therapeautics. Kriyakalpa means the procedure in which various drugs are applied in and around the eye ball as a treatment modality. Tarpanadi procedures are included in kriyakalpa.Kriyakalpa procedures need a modern scientific base to develop to the branch of ophthalmology. The main aim of this study is understanding of different types of kriyakalpa, their indication and probable mode of action.

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