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# Usage of Vamāna Karma in the Management of Amlāpitta According to the Method of Deegalla Bogoda Tradition

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## Abstract

Bhaisajyārathnavali and Chakrādaththa elaborate about effectiveness of Vamāna karma (emesis) in the treatment of Amlāpitta. According to these Cikitsa sutra's Vamāna Karma suitable for UdhāvagathaAmlāpitta and Virēchana karma (purgation) are suitable for AdhogathaAmlāpitta. This traditional method of Vamāna karma induces both Vamāna and Virēchana in same treatment because this method can use both Urdhāvagatha and AdhogāthaAmlāpitta conditions. The exceptional feature of this method is that it does not care about preoperative treatments and postoperative treatments. We already acknowledged that majority of the complications are present in Vamāna karma. But this traditional treatment method shows less complication. Compared to less complicated vamana procedure in Ayurveda and Traditional medicine, the traditional Vamana procedure is better than Ayurveda Vamana procedure. Number of 445 patients were presented during one month in to the Vedamahatha's (traditional doctor) dispensary. He recommended 8% for treatment included *vamana* procedure. Number of 12 patients suffered with Amlāpitta out of them. The exceptional point of this method was main medicinal ingredientLinderniapusilla. Other ingredients were Cow's milk and King coconut water. In this method, a special Kashaya (decoction) with *Murayakoenigii* is given on the previous day of main treatment. Traditional physician worshiped Lord Buddha, Gambharadevi, Vishnu devi and Sooniyumdevi before starting the main karma. Vedamahatha (doctor of traditional medicine/traditional physician)) chants mantras to increase medicinal power of main ingredient and main medicinal liquid is filtered four times forward and three times backward. According to opinion of traditional physician, filtering forward induces Vamāna and backward induces Virēchana. Amlāpitta was predominant disease that recommended vamana procedure out of diseases. Others were Madumeha, Charmaroga, Swasa. The indications that Vedamahatha recommended were logicaly similar with Ayurveda concepts.

# **Keywords**

Bhaisajyārathnavali, Chakrādaththa, Vedamahatha

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# **INTRODUCTION**

Different regions of the island have their unique traditions and pedigrees known as vedaparampara. However, despite subtle differences in the varied traditions and various family pedigrees, all indigenous Ayurveda systems share the same ancient origins. Our traditional medical system is based on two philosophies. First is based on PanchaMahaButa (or the five elements) and Thundos. Second philosophy is based on SatharaMahaButha (or the four elements). When these two systems work together in perfect harmony one system heals the physical body and the other heals the soul. Our treatments aim to cure mental, physical and spiritual diseases. We currently have three main treatments and they are: healing diseases, rejuvenation therapy and mental treatment. We welcome you, by putting our hands together; to come and visit us and experience what we can do to heal your body, mind and soul.Sri Lanka is a country of rich heritage, one of which is its indigenous system of Medicine, which has been practiced by the people since time immemorial. The Ayurveda system of medicine from North India, the Siddha system of medicine from South India and the Unani system of medicine of Arabs

enriched with contributions from the traditional system of medicine called Desheeya Chikitsa is popularly known as the Indigenous system of medicine in Sri Lanka. Ancient deegallabogoda tradition

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## **METHODS**

- Extraction of details since 10/02/2015 to 10/02/2015 from traditional doctors own dispensary with questioner.
- Inclusion details in questioner were Name of the patient, Diagnosis, Prescription of *Vamana* or Not.
- Isolated who were recommended for *Vamana* procedure.
- Analyzedthat patients according to suffered disease conditions.
- Observation of clinical records who were recommended for *Vamana* among *Amlapitta*patients.
- Studied and Observed about procedure of *Vamana* in practicaly.
- Investigation About differentiation of *Vamana* Procedurecompairing with Ayurveda Vamana procedure.
- Studied about treatment regimen after giving *Vaman* procedure.

#### Procedure or Vamana

The selective day should not be a weekend or Poya day

#### **Pre medications**

Decoction was prepared with bark of *murunyakoenigii*. The patient drank that decoction dividing two parts each containing 120ml for morning and evening. The patient ate cup of milk rice prepared with juice of

phylanthusemblica as dinner in night of previous day.

# **Basic treatment procedure**

Patient has to wake up at 5.00 A.M (Bhrahmamuhurthi) and present himself without washing face or body and without brushing teeth. Doctor of traditional medicine worship for God Buddha, Vishnu, Gambharadevi, Sooniyamdei

- 100g of *Linderniapusilla* was crushed with one bottle of Cow's milk. Preperation was filtered with a piece of cotton cloth, four times forward and three times backward.
- He chanted *manthras* for increasing power of medication.
- Patient drinks medicine looking at North and otherwise doctor should look at East.

- King coconut water was used drank until it stimulates *Vamana* reflux and should be drink king coconut water until out of Pitta.
- After 15 minutes of *Vamana*, patient feels loose stools. After *Virechana Vega* the patient was advised to sleep for 30 minutes.
- After *Vamana* procedure Doctor of Traditional medicine use *Kshaya*, *Kalka*, *Choora*, *Vati*for at least 2 weeks.

#### RESULTS

- No. of patients participated for one month were 445.
- No. of patients recommended for *Vamana* procedure.

Recommended	Not Recommended
36	409

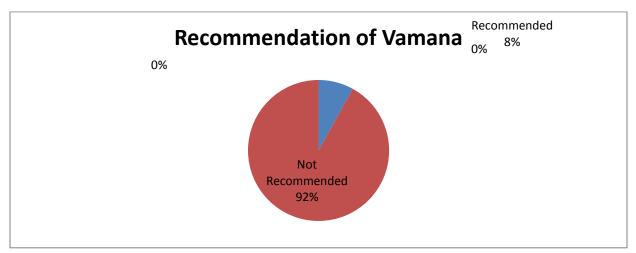


Chart 01

Most predominant diseases using procedure of Vamana

Type of disease	Number of patients
Madumeha	8
Amlapitta	12
Skin disorders	6

Toxicities	6
Swasa	4
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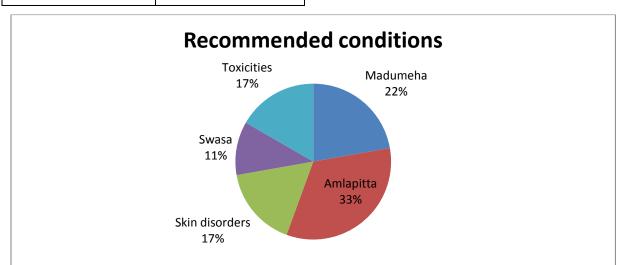


Chart 02
Recommendation of *Vamana*karma for *Amlapitta*condition

Recomended	Not recomended
12	28

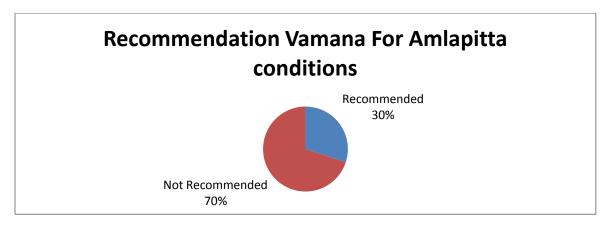


Chart 03

# **DISCUSSION**

The Vamana procedure and treatment beprescribed regimen can for both Urdavagatha Adhogathaamla and pittaconditions. This procedure of Vamana karma follows Cikitsasuthras of Ayurveda. Theprocedure does not care about pre or operational treatments. Kashaya post of Murayakoenigiiis used for Induction of Jataragni according to concept of Doctor of traditional medicine. Vedamahatha (doctor of traditional medicine) symbolized filtering four times forward for more Vamana and three timesbackward filtering less Virechana. Vedamahatha chants mantras to increase medicinal power of main ingredient.

**CONCLUSION** 

Most predominantly, Vamāna karma is used for Amlāpitta. In addition, it is recommended for Madumēha, Charmaroga and Swāsa according to the deegallabogoda treatment regimen. These indications of Vamana logical according to the Ayurveda.

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