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Ayurveda the holistic medicine approaches brilliantly to manage various diseases of different origins. It is clearly mentioned in Ayurveda that putting of accurate nomenclature of a disease is not always possible and that can be assessed, diagnosed or managed by wise physician considering the *dosa*, *dhatu* and *mala* theories. The diseases which had not been mentioned in Ayurvedic classics are opined by the scholar how to manage them.

Actual mechanism of cholelithiasis gets attention from the research workers. Factors for production of gallstones are multiple, complex, interrelated and not always single, direct or simple. Wide and critical evaluation of various aspects of gallstones have been given the importance related to the factors like age, diet habit, living condition including influences of sleep at day time. Specific descriptions about the etiopathogenesis and treatment including the complication have not been clearly mentioned in Ayurveda. In many ways clinical experimental studies may be extended for the field and scope of research in cholelithiasis. It is true that the preventive role of any drug, diet and regimen have its action at the level of body metabolism and gallbladder including the biochemical procedures related to this disease.

According to modern medicine gall stones are formed from constituents of bile, cholesterol, bile pigment and calcium salt in various proportions along with other organic materials. Since antiquity of gall stone received relatively little attention. Virtually all aspects of the disease, including diagnosis, epidemiology, metabolic basis, physical basis, and mechanism of nucleation and stabilization of bile have been explored in depth now-a-days.

In this study all aspects of gall stone with special importance to Ayurvedic drug therapy have been described. Gallstone disease remains one of the most common medical problems leading to surgical intervention. It has been well demonstrated that prevalence of gallstone increases with age up to certain limit. An estimated 20% of adults over 40 years of age and 30% of those over 70 years of age have biliary calculi? During the reproductive years, the female-to-male ratio is about 4:1. The risk factors predisposing to gallstone formation include obesity,
diabetes mellitus, estrogen therapy, pregnancy, hemolytic diseases and cirrhosis of liver. Cholelithiasis is one of the prevalent and expensive gastroenterological diseases. It belongs to the group of complex metabolic disorders that affect human, and its critical pathogenic mechanisms are not well defined. Gallstones are one of the commonest biliary pathology.

Civilization is blessing or curse? We have observed that civilization started four patches of the Globe i.e. Indus Valley, Egypt, Babylon, China. It is clear that disadvantages of civilization have been predisposing the disease, gallstone. Archaeological evidence suggests that members of the Royal Egyptian family were affected with this disorder. Keeping all these facts in mind an effort has been made to find out the drug for effective management of cholelithiasis. Two such drugs are selected viz Katuki (Picrorhiza kurroa Royle-ex-Benth) and Talishpatra (Abies webbiana. Lindl) considering the doctrine of Ayurveda. The present study included both the drugs for evaluation of its curative aspect of cholelithiasis entitled “A critical study on cholelithiasis (Pittakosagata Ashmart) and therapeutic value of Katuki and Talishpatra in it”

Unfortunately even today no effective treatment other than surgical manipulation is available. Surgery is considered as radical cure. It has various hazards and not economic also. So overall treatment procedure needs evaluation of treatment by oral and /or parenteral administration of drug(s). The fear and threat of surgery for removable of gallstone does not always get the first choice of treatment. Often the poor patient can not afford the cost of Surgery. Post operative complications are not also infrequent. All these aspects keep the poor patients away for seeking surgical treatment. No confirmation is still made clinically or experimentally by drug therapy. Ayurvedic treatment is convenient than other systems of medicine(s). One of the main theories in Ayurvedic medicine is to increase natural body resistance, to suppress stress causing agents rather than directly neutralising the agent itself in application. Ayurveda is not just a traditional medicine; it evolved in ancient life with the close observation of intellectual faculties that gave it unique fundamental safe.
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In this circumstance, to develop a new potent, chief, innocent drug of plant origin will be sumnum bonum for the suffering humanity in this world. So this work was thought.