症例報告

長期人工透析患者の難治性頭痛に釣藤散が奏効した一例

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要旨:透析患者は透析歴が長期化するほど各種疼痛疾患に苦しめられる.患者は56歳の女性で15年以上の透析歴があり,数年にわたる頭痛に対し非麻薬性鎮痛薬を投与されていたが,次第に除痛が得られなくなった.鎮痛薬による胃腸症状も強いため増量が困難と考え,漢方薬の併用を開始した.透析患者は東洋医学的には虚症と考えられるので,頭痛の標準処方で虚症にも処方できるツムラ釣藤散をまず選択した.投与2週間頃より鎮痛効果が現われ,約1ヵ月で鎮痛薬を減量しても痛みは自制できるようになった。以上より,人工透析患者の慢性頭痛には漢方薬は有用であると考えられた.

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Successful management of chronic headache with Kampo medicine, Chotosan, for hemodialysis patient

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Abstract: Headache is one of the common symptoms in hemodialysis patients. We report on a hemodialysis patient whose chronic headache was treated with Kampo medicine, TSUMURA Choto-san Extract Granules for Ethical Use (TJ-47). The patient was 56-year-old woman, who had had hemodialysis for 16 years. She had suffered from severe headache for several years, which had gotten worse gradually. We administered Choto-san because non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs did not sufficiently alleviate the petient's pain. The headache was recognized to be less serious after two weeks of medication, and almost improved within a month.

We considered that Choto-san is a very useful medicine for chronic headache in hemodialysis patients.

Key words: hemodialysis patient, headache, Choto-san