二朮湯エキス加附子末が奏効した肩関節周囲炎の1症例

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The positive effects of Nijyutsu-to extract and Powdered Monk's Hood on pain caused by Humero-Scapular Arthritis Junichi Ozeki*

Abstract: This report is based on a case study of a 51-year-old man who had complaints of sever pain and motor disturbance in his right shoulder, upper arm and back. The patient had received conventional treatment for these ailments but, found his pain was only relieved for a brief time following treatment. The patient continued to suffer from such unbearable pain that he was unable to sleep at night. Due to the fact that the pain relief was only temporary. The patient was then referred to us for alternative treatment.

After being examined by a Kampo Doctor, it was determined that the fluid in the upper part of the body had become stagnant and needed to be drained. Furthermore, the patient suffered from Hieshyo, which can affect the flow of fluid and energy in the body. The patient was administered Nijyutsu-to mixed with a gradual daily increase of Powdered Monk's Hood ranging from 3.0g to 7.5g. The medication was expected to warm the body, drain the stagnant fluid and increase the circulation of blood and energy throughout the body.

The results after 25 days of Nijyutsu-to and Powdered Monk's Hood treatment were that the patient's severe shoulder pain had been relieved considerably. After two months the Nijyutsu-to and Powdered Monk's Hood mixture was no longer administered because the patient's shoulder pain was greatly relieved.

For those patients who suffer from shoulder pain as well as Hieshyo, the administration of only Nijyutsu-to appears to be insufficient to relieve the resulting severe shoulder pain. The 51-year-old male patient with severe shoulder pain and Hieshyo, was treated with Nijyutsu-to extract and a relatively high dose of Powdered Monk's Hood (7.5g/day for this particular patient). However, it is necessary to monitor the side effects of the Monk's Hood. Monk's Hood can be safely used if the dosage is gradually increased from 3.0 g/day to 7.5g/day.

In conclusion, the results of this case support the use of Monk's Hood as an effective alternative for relieving severe shoulder pain when added to other Kampo medicines .

Key words: Severe Shoulder Pain

Hieshyo-This is a condition in which the person suffers from constant chills and the feeling of always being cold.

Nijyutsu-to-This is a herbal mixture commonly used for the relief of shoulder pain.

Powdered Monk's Hood

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