更年期不定愁訴としての頭痛に対する漢方療法の現状

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要旨:頭痛は多くの更年期女性が経験する愁訴の1つと考えられるが,我々は頭痛に対する漢方療法として釣藤散と呉茱萸湯の使い分けを試みている。すなわち当科更年期外来受診者24例に対して,事前の「頭痛質問票」による調査から,「筋緊張型頭痛」タイプの症例には釣藤散エキス顆粒を,「片頭痛」タイプの症例には,呉茱萸湯エキス顆粒を各々第一選択として,2カ月間の内服投与を行いその有効性について評価を行った。その結果,「筋緊張型頭痛」タイプとして釣藤散エキス顆粒を用いた17例では,著効例8例,有効例6例,無効例3例であった。一方,「片頭痛」タイプとして呉茱萸湯エキス顆粒を用いた7例では,著効例2例,有効例2例,無効例3例であった。したがって今回の検討から,「頭痛質問票」を用いた釣藤散と呉茱萸湯の使い分けが概ね有効であると考えられ,日常診療の中で頭痛の性状を瞬時に把握することが有効な漢方製剤選択の一助となると言える。

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Management of Kampo Medicine for Headache as One of Climacteric Disorder

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Abstract: Headache is one of the symptoms which many climacteric women experience.

We approached it by Kampo medicine, and studied the effect of chotosan (TJ-47) and gosyuyuto (TJ-31) on 24 patients with headaches (mean age 50.2 years old) in our Menopausal clinic. They were divided into two groups as the result of a Headeache Questionnaire for 17 patients (tension-type headache) taking chotosan (TJ-47) 7.5g,/day, and 7 patients (migraine type) taking gosyuyuto (TJ-31) 7.5 g / day. After 2 months, we evaluated the effectiveness of these medicines. In tension-type headache, there were eight remarkably effective cases, six effective cases, three non-effective cases.

On the other hand, there were two remarkably effective cases, two effective cases, and three non-effective cases in migraine type. We concluded that understanding about the type of a patient's headache by Questionnaire is of some help for making an effective choice of Kampo medicines, chotosan (TJ-47) or gosyuyuto (TJ-31).

Key words: climacteric disorder, headache questionnaire, Kampo medicine, Chotosan, Gosyuyuto

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