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A case report of left sided ureteric calculus cured by lycopodium clavum in 1m potency

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Abstract

Ureteric calculus or stone in ureter is one of an acute abdominal condition, if it not managed properly it may transferred to fatal condition. Calculus of ureter mainly originates from kidney & passes down to ureter. While passing down it may stuck in to the narrowest constrictions in Ureteric lumens, leads to obstruction of ureter results in Ureteric colic & hydronephrosis. A case of 25yrs old male patient with of Left sided ureteric calculus of 5.6mm at Uretero-vesicular junction with ipsilateral hydro-uretero nephrosis has been successfully treated by Lycopodium as a constitutional medicine at LM potency for a duration of 50 days.

Keywords: Ureteric calculus, hydronephrosis, homoeopathy, lycopodium clavum

Introduction

Human urinary system- composed of pair of kidney, pair of ureter, Bladder, urethra. Ureter is an tubular structure connecting kidney to bladder from renal pelvis to lateral angle of trigone of bladder. Urolithiasis is a general term used for denoting stone in any part of Urinary tract. Stones usually formed in Kidney, Bladder & Prostate [6]. Ureteric calculus is the most common Urolithiasis in clinical practice. It is presumed that 5-15% of world population experience Urolithiasis in their life span. Peak incidence seen in 2nd & 3rd decade of life [3]. Males are 2 times more prone than females [3]. Ureteric calculus represented by colicky type pain, nausea, sweating, Haematuria, Strangury, dysuria, frequency [6], Tenderness in iliac fossa & renal angle.

Patho-physiology

Ureteric calculus mainly formed in kidney. So their properties remain same as the renal calculus. There are 8 types of renal stones according to the chemical composition. Of this oxalate stone is the most common stone [8, 1].

Causes [3]

- Idiopathic (m/c)
- Hypercalcaemia & Hypercalciuria.
- Hyperuricosuria.
- Urinary tract infection.
- Hyperoxaluria.
- Cystinuria.

1. Change in the composition of urine, leads to precipitation of mineral crystals on tubular lining in nephrons in kidney.
2. This precipitation fragments on tubules act as a nidus of stone formation.
3. After a time, its size increase transfer in to calculus.
4. Calculus formed in kidney with in a time, passes down the renal pelvis & reach ureter. Ureter has 5 constriction the calculus with size more than 5mm struck in any of this constriction.
5. Mostly stone less than 4 mm size pass out asymptotically.
6. Stone larger size stuck in constriction leads to obstruction, produce clinical features.

Clinical feature ^[8]

- Colicky pain-radiates from lower back to inguinal region, it may extends to tip of genitalia.
- Nausea, vomiting, sweating due to pain & reflex pylorospasm.
- Haematuria, dysuria, frequency, Strangury. Tenderness in illac fossa & renal angle.

Investigation of choice ^[8]

- Urine –microscopy
- Plain X-ray KUB view
- Ultrasound KUB is useful
- CT scan is diagnostic.

Case Study

On 15-03-2022, a 25 yrs old male from Berhampore, Murshidabad came to NIH OPD, he was a diagnosed case of Renal calculus with mild hydronephrosis on left side by a modern medicine physician before 2 weeks, His brief clinical history is Given below.

Presenting complaint

Painful micturition since 40 days on & off
Pain left side of abdomen since 1month on & off.

History of Presenting complaints

- Painful micturition
- Burning sensation with discomfort in lower abdomen < during urination. Urine – Yellowish, strong smelling < day time
- Since last 2 weeks he feels dissatisfied with micturition, sensation of some urine left bladder.

Pain in Left side of lower abdomen

Location: Left lumbar quadrant, Renal angle, extending to Inguinal region. Nature: Pain was dull aching in past 3-4 weeks, now pain severe paroxysmal pain < travelling in bike, eating flatulent foods, straining for stool.

During pain Nauseating feeling > warm drinks

Treatment history

H/o of taken allopathy pain killers & antibiotics for presenting complaints since last 1 month, no improvement.

Past History

H/o Scabies at 15 years old taken allopathy treatment & relived. H/o of Hospitalized for Dengue fever at the age of 21 years old.

III.**Family History**

Maternal grand mother suffered from stroke. Elder brother having history of renal calculi.

Physical Generals

Thermal- Takes cold easily. Appetite: Moderate
Thirst- Good, drinks 3-4 l/day Desires- Sweets2+, warm drinks2+. Disagree- Fried food, flatulent food2+.
Stool- Irregular, hard long stool, must strain for stool. Sleep- Disturbed, unrefreshing sleep.

Mind symptoms

Irritability during pain

Totality of symptoms

Physical general:-

Desires – Cold drinks, Sweets. Disagree- Flatulent foods
Stool- Knotty, lumpy

Particular

Painful urination < during urination.

Pain in left sides of abdomen < Jarring, flatulence food, staining for stool. Associate with nausea > warm drinks.

Repertory Selection & Remedy Selection

Repertory Selected: Kent Repertory, by using RADAR 10.

Repertorial selection & reason: Kent repertory was selected because of marked number of general symptoms in the case.

Repertorial Analysis ^[10, 5]

Lycopodium-12/5, Bryonia -11/5, Sulphur- 10/4, Berberis- 8/4

Lycopodium was prescribed because it covers the general symptoms with more mark than other medicine.

Rx

Lycopodium Clavatum 0/1 /40 doses (BD for 20 days)

Follow up**1-04-2022**

Patient feels better

Pain in abdomen frequency reduced Nausea reduced

Painful urination reduced Urine strong smell persist. Stool become soft

Rx

LYCOPODIUM 0/2/ 30doses (OD for 30 days) Lactopen 30/1dram (1 month)

31-04-2022

1. Patient feels better

2. Pain in abdomen reduced, no h/o fever, nausea Discomfort in hypogastrium < urination. Patient passing sediments in urine.

3. Rx

4. Rubrum 6c/1dram (OD for 16 days)

5. Advice to bring new USG report on KUB view on next visit

18-05-2022

1. Patient feels better

2. No discomfort in hypogastrium No pain during micturition.

3. No sediments since last 1week.

4. Mild discomfort in hypogastrium Stool- Regular & soft

5. USG report dated -17-05-2022- shows No significant sonological abnormality. Rx

6. Rubrum 6c/ 7d (1week - OD).

7. Patient is advised for USG after 6 month to verify reoccurrence of new calculus.

Reportorial Result- Radar-10.0- Kent Repertory^[9]

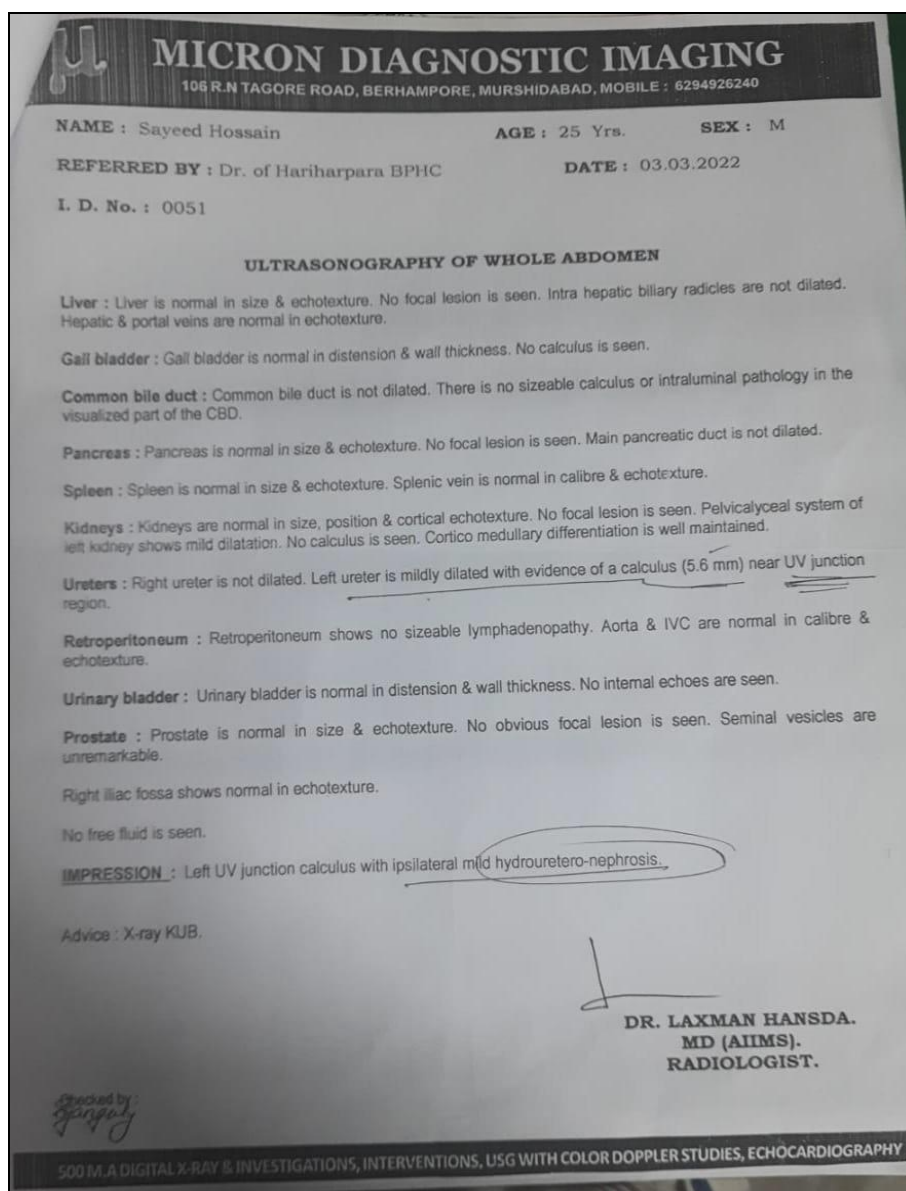
Investigation window for remedies

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1. GENERALS - FOOD, - flatulent food agg.
2. GENERALS - SIDE, symptoms on one side - left
3. STOMACH - DESIRES - sweets
4. STOMACH - DESIRES - warm drinks
5. URINE - SEDIMENT
6. KIDNEY-URINARY ORGANS - PAIN - motion - agg.
7. URETHRA-URINARY ORGANS - PAIN - urination - during

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Fig 1: Usg Report- Before**Fig 2: Before Treatment: USG dated -03-03-2022 Left UV junction calculus of 5.6mm size.**

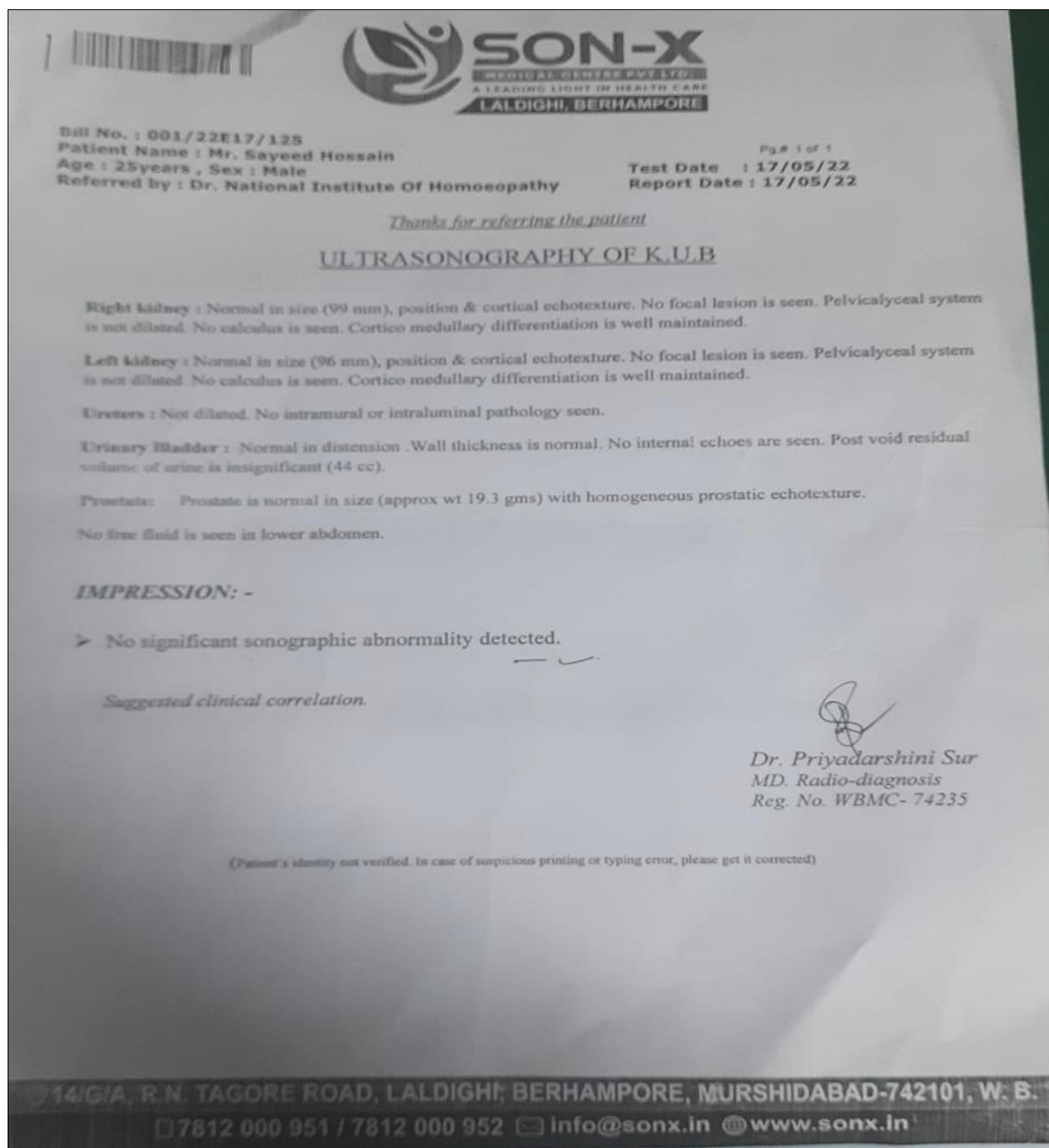
After Treatment

Fig 3: After treatment – Dated- 17/05/2022- USG – reveals no significant abnormality.

Discussion and Conclusion ^[2, 7]

Homoeopathy system of medicine have good scope on renal calculus, LYCOPODIUM CLAVIATUM ^[2] is selected as it covers the patients general symptoms with good marks, even though - it is specifically considered as medicine for Right sided medicine, it given an wonderful result in left sided calculus in LM potency. Urolithiasis nowadays one of the prevalence condition in this modern world due to change in diet habits. Homoeopathy have good number medicine to manage by giving relief to the patient & preventing its reoccurrence.

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