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Ayurveda Approach to Managing Infertility in Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome and Hypothyroidism: A Case Study

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Abstract

Introduction:

Infertility due to Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS) is a significant concern among women of reproductive age, exacerbated by modern lifestyles. PCOS, a prevalent endocrine disorder, often leads to irregular menstruation and anovulatory cycles, hindering conception. *Ayurveda* medicine offers holistic approaches to address underlying imbalances and enhance reproductive health through personalized treatments.

Materials & Methodology:

This case study focuses on a couple struggling with infertility linked to the wife's bilateral PCOS and hypothyroidism. Methodology involved thorough medical history assessment, *Ayurveda* diagnostic principles (including *Dosha* evaluation), and detailed examination of reproductive symptoms. Treatment included *Shamana* (~pacifying therapies) and *Shodhana* (~purificatory therapies) to rebalance *dosha*, improve metabolic function, and support follicle development and ovulation. Individualized herbal

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formulations, dietary adjustments, and lifestyle modifications tailored to the patient's constitution were also

implemented.

Result:

Ayurveda treatment resulted in successful conception, overcoming irregular cycles and anovulation

challenges. The pregnancy progressed smoothly to full term without complications, demonstrating

Ayurveda's efficacy in managing PCOS and hypothyroidism-related infertility.

Discussion & Conclusion:

This case underscores Ayurveda's potential in treating infertility associated with PCOS and

hypothyroidism. Personalized Ayurveda therapies aim to restore physiological balance and optimize

reproductive health, contrasting with Western medicine's symptom-focused approach. By addressing root

causes holistically, Ayurveda not only promotes fertility but also enhances overall well-being. Further

research is needed to validate these findings and explore integrative approaches in reproductive health.

Keywords: Infertility, PCOS, *Shodhana*, Holistic Medicine, *Nashtartava*

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