# Clinical Effect of Yiqi Naoluo Tong Decoction in the Treatment of Cerebral Infarction

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**Abstract.** Objective: To apply Yiqi Naoluo Tong Decoction for clinical treatment of patients with cerebral infarction, and analyze the therapeutic effect of this method. Methods: 150 cases of cerebral infarction patients who were treated in our hospital were set as the research objects and divided into two groups. The conventional treatment methods were combined with Yiqi Naoluo Tong Decoction and single conventional treatment.

**Results:** After treatment, the improvement of the test group of patients was better than that of the control group, and compared with the control group, the comparison result showed that P<0.05, the difference was significant and statistically meaningful.

**Conclusion:** The addition of Yiqi Naoluo Tong Decoction in the clinical treatment of patients with cerebral infarction can improve the patients' neurological deficits, quality of life, limb motor function and ability of daily living. This shows that this medicine has a higher clinical application value.

#### 1 Introduction

Cerebral infarction is a relatively common disease in neurology. It has the characteristics of rapid onset and rapid development, so the mortality and disability rate are relatively high [1]. Most patients with this disease are middle-aged and elderly, but they have gradually become younger in recent years, which can cause more and more patients to seriously reduce their quality of life, and even threaten their life safety. Therefore, timely and effective treatment of cerebral infarction patients is very important<sup>[2]</sup>. According to the current situation, the most widely used clinical treatment methods are all western medicine treatments. However, if western medicine is used for a long time, it may cause damage to the patient's body mechanism and disturb the homeostasis. Therefore, it is necessary to try to apply Chinese medicine treatment in the clinical treatment of patients with cerebral infarction [3]. In this study, patients with cerebral infarction were set as the research object, and conventional treatment methods were combined with Yiqi Naoluo Tong Decoction and single conventional treatment. The report is as follows.

#### 2 Materials and methods

#### 2.1 General information

150 cases of cerebral infarction patients who were treated in our hospital were set as the research objects. Admission time: February 2019-February 2020; inclusion criteria: in line with the clinical diagnostic criteria of cerebral infarction in our hospital and able to actively cooperate with the study; exclusion criteria: patients with mental disorders, patients with kidney disease, and patients with cardiopulmonary insufficiency; grouping method: digital odd and even number mode; group: test group (male to female ratio 41:34, age 49-76, average age 65.6 $\pm$ 6.7), control group (male to female ratio 42:33, age 50-75 years, average age 64.5 $\pm$ 6.3 years). The general data of all aspects of 150 study subjects P>0.05, and this study in our hospital has been approved by the ethics committee.

#### 2.2 Treatment methods

## 2.2.1 Treatment methods for patients in the control group

Give patients oxygen, keep the airway unobstructed, then maintain nutrition and dehydration, next lower intracranial pressure, finally control blood pressure and blood sugar, etc., take aspirin once every night, each time 0.1g. If the patient develops an infection, antibiotics can be used for treatment [4].

## 2.2.2 Treatment methods for patients in the test group

On the basis of the treatment method of the control group, the test group was treated with Yiqi Naoluo Tong Decoction. The prescriptions were Astragalus 50g, Angelica 15g, Sichuan Achyranthes bidentata 15g, Peach kernel 9g, Safflower 9g, Leech 9g, Alisma 9g, mulberry

branch 9g, chuanxiong 12g, red peony 12g, tuckahoe 12g, rice kernel 30g, whole scorpion 3g, stiff silkworm 6g, chonnan star 6g. Decocting them in water into 400ml juice, and taking 1 dose a day in the morning and evening with continuous medication for 8 weeks<sup>[5]</sup>.

#### 2.3 Observation indicators

(1) Comparison of NIHSS neurological deficit score; (2) Comparison of QOL quality of life score and FMA limb motor function score; (3) Comparison of ADL daily living ability score.

#### 2.4 Statistical methods

Using SPSS 20.0 to process and analyze the data of this study. The data on this study are all measurement data, which should be represented by  $(\bar{x} \pm s)$  and verified by the T value. If the comparison between groups shows

P<0.05, it shows that there is a significant difference in the comparison and it is statistically meaningful.

#### 3 Results

### 3.1 Comparison of the NIHSS neurological deficit score between the two groups

Before treatment, the scores of the two groups of patients were P>0.05. After treatment, the test group had consciousness score (2.53±0.78), gazing score(5.71±0.90), visual field score (7.44±1.27), facial paralysis  $score(10.36\pm1.30),$ limb movement upper score(12.25±2.08) lower limb movement score(13.17±2.36), limb coordination score(15.48±2.25), compared with the control group patients' scores, the comparison result shows P<0.05, the difference is significant and statistically meaningful. See Table 1

**Table1.** Comparison of NIHSS neurological deficit scores between the two groups ( $\bar{x} \pm s$ )

| Group                   | Test group (n=75) | Control group<br>(n=75) | t      | P      |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|
| consciousness           | $2.53\pm0.78$     | 12.03±2.07              | 11.452 | < 0.05 |
| gazing                  | $5.71\pm0.90$     | $13.15\pm3.30$          | 10.067 | < 0.05 |
| visual field            | $7.44{\pm}1.27$   | $14.27 \pm 3.79$        | 12.334 | < 0.05 |
| facial paralysis        | $10.36 \pm 1.30$  | $15.13\pm4.22$          | 10.720 | < 0.05 |
| upper limb movement     | $12.25 \pm 2.08$  | $15.59\pm4.78$          | 11.542 | < 0.05 |
| lower limb movement     | $13.17 \pm 2.36$  | $16.34 \pm 5.64$        | 10.420 | < 0.05 |
| limb coordination score | $15.48 \pm 2.25$  | $17.50\pm6.25$          | 11.427 | < 0.05 |

# 3.2 Comparison of QOL quality of life score and FMA score between the two groups

After treatment, the QOL quality of life score of patients

in the test group was  $(85.45\pm6.07)$ , and the FMA limb motor function score was  $(45.36\pm10.29)$ . Compared with the scores of the control group, the comparison results showed that P<0.05, the difference was significant and statistically meaningful. See Table 2.

**Table2.** Comparison of QOL quality of life score and FMA limb motor function score between the two groups  $(\bar{x} \pm s)$ 

| Group                | Before treatment |              | After treatment |             |
|----------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------|
|                      | QOL<br>Score     | FMA<br>Score | QOL<br>Score    | FMA Score   |
| Test group (n=75)    | 64.58±5.20       | 32.39±9.26   | 85.45±6.07      | 45.36±10.29 |
| Control group (n=75) | 63.68±5.16       | 31.34±7.14   | 69.89±4.25      | 43.74±8.53  |
| t                    | 3.465            | 2.773        | 11.592          | 13.708      |
| P                    | >0.05            | >0.05        | < 0.05          | < 0.05      |

# 3.3 Comparison of ADL scores between two groups

Before 30 days of treatment, the ADL score of daily living ability of the test group was (55.48±6.89), and after 3

months of treatment, it was  $(73.15\pm7.43)$ , and the total difference was  $(53.64\pm4.67)$ , compared to that of the control group. The comparison results show that P<0.05, the difference is significant and statistically meaningful. See Table 3.

| Group                | Before treatment | 30 days after treatment | 3 months after treatment | Total difference |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| Test group (n=75)    | 25.14±5.34       | 55.48±6.89              | 73.15±7.43               | 53.64±4.67       |
| Control group (n=75) | 25.66±4.89       | $50.56 \pm 5.25$        | 61.25±8.55               | 41.75±5.65       |
| t                    | 2.945            | 11.503                  | 12.149                   | 10.772           |
| P                    | >0.05            | < 0.05                  | < 0.05                   | < 0.05           |

**Table3.** Comparison of ADL scores between the two groups of patients  $(\bar{x} \pm s)$ 

#### 4 Discussion

Traditionally, patients with cerebral infarction were treated with western medicine. In this study, the treatment of Chinese medicine was added to the treatment process, which is helpful to accelerate the treatment process of patients<sup>[6]</sup>. This study showed that before treatment, the scores of the two groups of patients were P>0.05. After treatment, the test group showed the following score result: consciousness (2.53±0.78), gazing (5.71±0.90), visual field (7.44±1.27), facial paralysis (10.36±1.30), upper limb movement (12.25±2.08), lower limb movement (13.17±2.36), limb coordination (15.48±2.25), QOL quality of life (85.45±6.07), FMA limbs motor function (45.36±10.29), ADL daily living ability (55.48±6.89) after 30 days of treatment, and (73.15±7.43) after 3 months of treatment. The total score difference was (53.64±4.67) compared with the scores of patients in the control group, the comparison results showed that P<0.05, the difference is significant and statistically meaningful. The results of this study are basically the same as those of scholar Xiaoli Zhao<sup>[8]</sup>.

The results of the study showed that the conditions of the test group were better than those of the control group, thus effectively showing the effect of Yiqi Naoluo Tong Decoction on patients with cerebral infarction. In Yiqi Naoluo Tong Decoction, Astragalus has the effect of replenishing qi and dredging pulse, which can reduce the viscosity of the patient's blood and reduce the chance of thrombosis<sup>[7]</sup>. Angelica can lower blood pressure and regulate blood lipids. Salvia can promote blood circulation and disperse blood stasis, it can also prevent platelet aggregation, and effectively regulate the patient's internal and external blood coagulation system.

In summary, the addition of Yiqi Naoluo Tong Decoction in the clinical treatment of patients with cerebral infarction can improve the patient's neurological deficits, quality of life, limb motor function, and daily life ability, which shows that this medicine has a high clinical application value.

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