

MANOVAHA SROTAS

Organs concerned with manas and its functions are included in manovaha srotas. They include mastishka (brain), susumnakanda (spinal cord), nadi (nerves), panchajnanendriya, panchakarmendriya and the manas. Caraka used the term Manovahasrotas in unmadaroga (insanity) while Susrutha used the term samjavahasrotas in murcharoga (convulsions). Cakra-Pani says that manas is distributed all over the body except in roma, kasha, drava, anna and mala. In modern, we can know that this is similar to nerves dispersing all over the body. Dushta swapnas are due to attachment of aggregated tridosas with Manovahasrotas. Susrutha says when dosa obstruct these channels; patient fails to perceive sukha and dukha and falls down unconscious like a dead log and such a condition is known as moha or moorcha. The vitiated dosas go upwards, reach the brain and occupy manovahasrotas causing unmada.

MANOVAHASROTOKRIYAS (FUNCTIONS OF NERVOUS SYSTEM)

All sankalpa vikalpas (thought and ideas) that arise in mind, plans and decisions taken by the individual, sensory and motor activities, reflex action, autonomic activities of organs. All these functions are performed by manas through manovahasrotas. It can be defined as nerve fibers

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