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# Review On: Polycystic Ovary Syndrome

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**Abstract:** A metabolic and reproductive condition affecting the ovaries is PCOD, often known as PCOS. An ovary is a dynamic organ that adapts to its hormonal environment by changing its shape, structure, and appearance. The primary cause of infertility, diabetes, and irregular menstruation is PCOD, also known as PCOS, a disorder in which women of reproductive age have enlarged ovaries that begin releasing an excessive quantity for male reproductive hormones (androgens). menstruation as well as hirsutism. Although the precise etiology of the condition is still unknown, it is thought to be brought on by changes in dietary requirements, lifestyle choices, lack of exercise, and—above all—stress levels. Certain medications have the ability to create an artificial menstrual cycle.

**Keywords:** PCOS, herbs, treatment, clinical significance

## I. INTRODUCTION

Polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS), sometimes referred to as hyperandrogenic anovulation (HA) or Stein-Leventhal syndrome, is one of the most common endocrine system disorders affecting women of reproductive age. Stein-Leventhal syndrome, commonly known as hyperandrogenic anovulation (HA), or polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS). Menstrual dysfunction, infertility, hirsutism, acne, and obesity are some of the symptoms of this chronic and diverse disorder. It is characterized by at least one ovary having an ovarian volume greater than 10 mL and at least one ovary developing an estimated ten small cysts, with diameters ranging from 2 to 9 mm. Nonetheless, a few typical issues that individuals with PCOS may experience are the:

- Heavy periods
- irregular or absent periods
- acne, greasy skin, and other skin-related issues
- hirsutism: the accumulation of extra body hair
- thinning and loss of scalp hair
- insulin resistance
- issues with fertility
- problems relating to body weight (Samradhi Singh, et al. Feb 11).

Previously thought to be a condition affecting adult women, new research indicates that PCOS is a lifelong syndrome that can appear as early as pregnancy. Actually, the prevalence of PCOS in teenagers ranges from 3% to 26%, based on the Rotterdam diagnostic recommendations. It's globally confessed that inheritable variations and environmental variables are the primary etiologic factors of PCOS. Through GWAS and applier gene webbing, a number of vulnerability genes have been linked. Environmental factors, another important aspect of the pathophysiology, have not, still, entered important attention. Environmental endocrine disruptors (EEDs) have been demonstrated to intrude with the hypothalamic anterior pituitary ovarian axis' hormonal control. EEDs are thus allowed to perform as steroid- agonists and/ or antagonists. previous disquisition also set up a link between PCOS and EED contact history, as well as environmental and life differences.

## II. NEED FOR THE STUDY

Polycystic Ovarian syndrome is common health problem which increase among adolescent girls and youthful women during their reproductive spaces. It's a problem in which a woman's hormones are out of balance leading to menstrual disturbance as well as multiple abnormal growths in enlarged ovaries, so they don't produce the normal number of eggs and normal ovulation which leads to difficulty of getting pregnant. However, it can lead to serious health problems similar as diabetes and heart complication, If it isn't treated over time. According to a study by PCOS Society, One in every 10 women in India has polycystic ovary cycle (PCOS), a common endocrinal system complication among women of reproductive age.

The experimenter has a vital part in creating mindfulness among nursing scholars about how to identify the symptoms and revision to be brought in order to help farther complications of PCOS. Hence the experimenter felt that structured tutoring programme will be an effective tutoring strategy to conduct knowledge of polycystic ovarian pattern. Among the nursing scholars and it helps to circulate knowledge of polycystic ovarian pattern in community(Neha Minocha, 2022)

#### A. Study Protocol Clinical Assessment Of Family Members

The individual criteria for PCOS in womanish cousins were harmonious with those applied to the probands. still, when assessing kins, we were unfit to include only those who were undressed, as the actuality of PCOS itself may impact the probability of entering treatment. thus, in our examination of relations, we characterized hirsutism as either a Ferriman- Gallwey score of  $\geq 6$ , or a Ferriman- Gallwey score of  $\geq 3$  if the relative had experienced 12 or further sessions of electrolysis on any of the assessed body areas. In addition, because androgens are suppressed in the presence of hormonal curative, menopause, or oophorectomy, we did n't estimate androgen ranks in postmenopausal or hormonally treated relations. These postmenopausal or treated women were supposed affected only if they had both a history of oligomenorrhea and clinical confirmation of hirsutism.

#### B. Cinical significance of pcos in women

Several studies have been performed to attempt to determine the frequentness of PCO as detected by ultrasound alone in the general population and have set up frequency rates in the order of 17 – 33. In 2003, a common ESHRE/ ASRM agreement meeting produced a refined description of PCOS, and the morphology of the polycystic ovary lived outlined as an ovary with 12 or additional follicles gauging 2 – 9 mm in periphery and/ or increased ovarian volume(> 10 cm<sup>3</sup>). It's arresting also to note that the sight of PCO is a marker for compounded ovarian reserve and a reduced rate of ovarian ageing. (Renato Pasquali et al. 2011)

#### C. Long- term issues in PCOS vascular complaint

The advanced coupling-specific coronary mortality observed in women compared with men, combined with a lower proportion of females in the population, has performed in pretty farther women dying of cardiovascular complaint( CVD) each time than men. An apparent lack of association between PCOS and CVD may be attributed to shy PCOS characterization, scary CVD dimension, shy duration of follow- up or a true lack of association. This reverie argued that clinical features of PCOS were companied with another angiographic coronary heart infirmity and declining cardiovascular occasion- self-governed survival, which suggests that the identification of postmenopausal women with clinical features of PCOS may give an chance for threat factor intervention for the precluding of CAD and CVD events.

#### D. Part of visceral overmuch as a contributor towards insulin resistance in PCOS

It's major to probe implicit mechanisms that uphold the expansion of insulin opposition in PCOS. One possible 264 factor relates to body fat distribution, given the well substantiated collaboration between visceral adipose towel and insulin resistance. Unfortunately, numerous former inquiries on fat distribution in PCOS utilised ways alike as ultrasound and lipometer that endure from limitations of driver dependence and shy image resolution.

### III. MODERN MEDICINE

Oral contraceptives are the first line of pills used to prevent hirsutism, acne, and irregular menstrual periods. Some medicines are used internationally to control PCOS. Oral contraceptives are pills that contain hormones in proper proportions and encourage women to experience withdrawal symptoms by initiating an artificial menstrual cycle. As a reminder to take a seven-day vacation from the medicine, some contraceptive pills come with a full week of inert tablets in addition to the 21 active tablets. Because these pills contain a little amount of male hormone blockers, they also effectively treat acne and excessive hair. The body produces relatively little free testosterone as a result of taking these medications. One cannot become conceive while using these kinds of drugs.

Changing your diet • Diane-35 (which contains a trace quantity of synthesized progestin, CPA) • Insulin-reducing medications Weight loss, oral contraceptives, and Yasmin (which contain a trace the number of synthetic progestin) Femoden-ED, Marvelon, and Microgynon

The precise **cause** of PCOS or PCOD is still unknown, however even in thin women, there is a discernible innate capacity for insulin. Protein binding decreases during hyperinsulinemia (an increase in insulin levels), which raises androgen synthesis. This, in turn, raises the amount of free androgen.



Treatments for hirsutism, insulin-lowering medications, weight loss, oral contraceptives, dietary adjustments, lifestyle modifications, and fertility drugs.

#### IV. HORMONAL DISRUPTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

Certain EDCs' molecular resemblance to endogenous steroid hormones may cause hormonal balance to become unstable, which could impair reproductive processes. Two potential pathways of EDC's influence on female ovulation are presented by a variety of data from experimental models: primarily at the surface of the female gonad and indirectly through changes to the hypothalamic-pituitary ovulation axis.

##### A. Medications

Therapy with Metformin results in only slight to moderate enhancements in the regularity of menstrual cycles and proves to be less effective than combined oral contraceptives (COCs). Direct evidence indicates little improvement in the regulation of menstrual cycles with the combination of metformin and lifestyle changes compared to lifestyle modifications alone. Nevertheless, updated guidelines propose a new strategy that promotes the use of metformin in conjunction with COCs, particularly in women who are overweight or obese and have coexisting PCOS. Regardless of age, the use of metformin alongside hormonal therapy produces satisfactory outcomes. Research on antiandrogenic medications is scarce due to a shortage of high-quality studies, and the current evidence does not indicate notable advantages of pairing antiandrogenic drugs with combined oral contraceptives (COCs). A randomized trial with a placebo control further validated this, revealing only slight additional benefits from the combination of bicalutamide, an androgen receptor blocker, with COCs over a 12-month period.

##### B. Two Categories of Antiandrogens have been suggested for managing PCOS

Androgen receptor blockers like spironolactone and flutamide, as well as 5-alpha-reductase inhibitors, such as finasteride. Nevertheless, there is limited information available on the clinical outcomes of antiandrogen and combination therapy for adolescents with PCOS. Antiandrogens demonstrate greater efficacy than metformin in alleviating PCOS symptoms and safeguarding the endometrium. Combining them with metformin may also be beneficial in treating obesity by lowering BMI. Furthermore, this approach enhances glucose tolerance.

#### V. HERBS UTILIZED FOR TREATING PCOS

Asparagus Racemosus (Shatavari) *Asparagus racemosus*, belonging to the Asparagaceae family, is commonly used in traditional Indian medicine (Ayurveda). It aids in fostering the normal growth of ovarian follicles, balances the menstrual cycle, and rejuvenates the female reproductive system primarily thanks to its phytoestrogen (natural plant-derived estrogen). Additionally, it assists in managing hyperinsulinemia. Besides these benefits, *A. racemosus* exhibits a variety of pharmacological effects, including treatment for nervous disorders, dyspepsia, tumors, inflammation, neuropathy, liver disorders, antiulcer properties, antioxidant effects, anti-diarrheal functions, immune modulation, anti-aging benefits, enhancement of longevity, and improvement of cognitive function.

Cinnamon, This herb is one of the oldest and most significant herbal remedies utilized in traditional medicine. Various parts of this plant, such as its bark, possess numerous healing benefits. Key components of this essential oil, including cinnamaldehyde, eugenol, and safrole, exhibit insulin-like effects. Cinnamon extract enhances glucose absorption and glycogen synthesis while promoting insulin receptor phosphorylation, thus improving insulin sensitivity. Furthermore, cinnamon is beneficial for lowering blood sugar and blood lipids, aiding in the regulation of the menstrual cycle, as well as addressing gynaecological issues and respiratory and digestive disorders.

Guduchi, or *Tinospora Cordifolia* The hypoglycaemic properties of *Tinospora cordifolia* (Menispermaceae) make it a well-known medicinal herb. Hormone deficiency and ovarian cysts are caused by chronic inflammation in tissues. It naturally increases metabolism, revitalizes all bodily tissues, and reduces insulin resistance.

Shahapushu (*Foeniculum vulgare*) Seeds of the Apiaceae plant *Foeniculum vulgare* are used as a useful supplement to treat PCOS. Phytoestrogens are abundant in them. Additionally, it is thought to lessen the cellular imbalance that causes PCOS metabolic problems. The many parts various this plant are now utilized to treat a wide range of illnesses, especially those affecting the digestive system. Additionally, diabetes, lung disease, chronic cough, kidney stones, nausea, and vomiting can all be effectively treated with it.

Maca, or *Lepidium meyenii* A classical herbal medication for menopausal symptoms, *Lepidium meyenii*, a building block of the Brassicaceae family, also acts as a natural hormonal balancer with no negative side goods and stimulates the endocrine system. The body's progesterone and estrogen hormones support a regular menstrual cycle. manly testosterone situations are recharged with *Lepidium meyenii*.

PCOS inflammation and infection promoting attestation supports the stereotype that PCOS is associated with raised oxidative stress and systemic inflammation. When compared to healthy regulator contents, ladies with PCOS command accelerated markers of lipid peroxidation, elevated situations of C- reactive protein, incendiary cytokines, as effortlessly as overfamiliar concentrations of blood lymphocytes and monocytes.( Renato Pasquali et al. 2011)

## VI. CONCLUSION

In induction, the aim of PCOS treatment is to transfer particular objects that are suited to each case's unique conditions. Because PCOS progresses in different ways, there are treatment strategies that work. Indeed, if a causative treatment would be the stylish option, farther examination is mandatory to comprehensively understand the pathophysiology of PCOS. still, fresh information regarding different treatment discretions is forever being caught on, and moxie in this region is invariably rearing.

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