

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

**A** nosode of Bacillinum firstly prepared by Dr. Heath from the tuberculous sputu for Dr. Burnett who was the first person to describe it and hence the nosode was named after him.

Clarke at the very beginning of the discussion of Bacillinum suggests that Bacillinum should be considered as a separate entity from Tuberculinum. Here I present a brief picture of Bacillinum extracted and understood after referring most of the available literature on Bacillinum.

### Clinical:

Addison's Disease, Alopecia, Growth Delayed, Hydrocephalus, Idiocy, Insanity, Joint's affection, Pityriasis, Ringworm. Scrofulous gland, Teeth defective, pitted, Tuberculosis.

### Generalities:

Great weakness, does not want to be disturbed.

Lability of symptoms.

Has a frequent chill.

### Mentals:

Depressed, melancholic even to insanity. Fearful++, fear of dogs (Julian mentions fear of Black Dogs). Pt. is depressed, sad, irritable, better nowhere, constantly changes places, country, doctors. Has craze for movement, feels uneasy in his own room, like a stranger. Child or adult having the craze for travelling.

### Physicals:

**Head** – Terrible pain in head with sensation as if a tight loop of iron around it, Headache of < least exercise < mental exercise.

**Eyes** – Eczema of eyelids, Myopia.

**Face** – Acne < Lt. Cheek, breaking out from time to time & persist-

ing for many weeks. Eczema of ear passage. Impetigo behind ears.

**Teeth** – Imperfectly developed teeth. Abundant dental caries, especially of children. Teeth sensitive to cold air. Roots of teeth painful.

**Respiratory – System** Cough < night, easy expectoration, sharp pain in left scapula < lying down > warmth. Bronchitis with jerking and fatiguing cough. Abundant mucous.

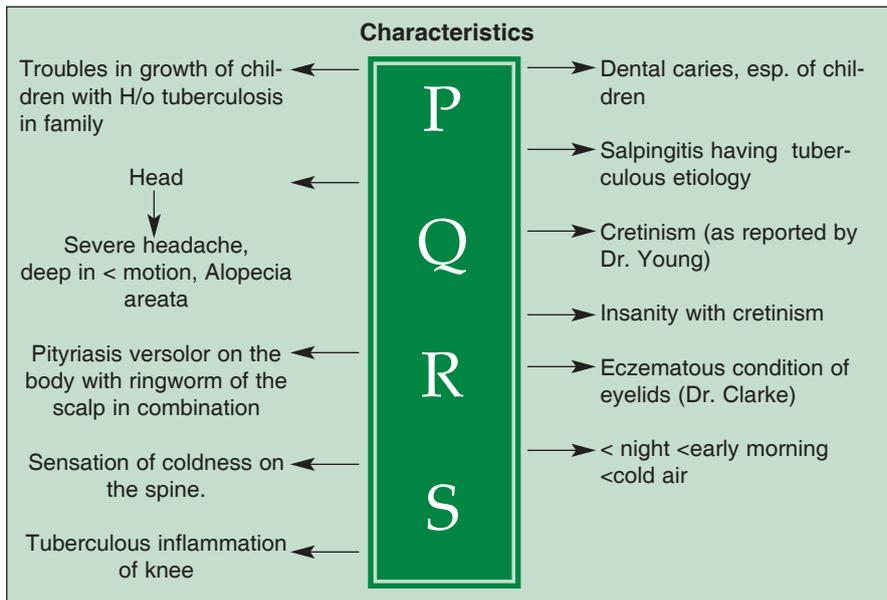
**GIT** – Windy dyspepsia with pinching pains

**Fever** Many dreams. – Flush of heat (soon after the dose) same perspirations, severe headache.

**Female** – Dysmenorrhoea, very painful and abundant long continued menstruation

**Skin** – Weeping eczema of head, behind ears in folds of skin. Pityriasis versicolor, generalized pruritic eruptions.

**Modalities** < movement, cold air, night, in morning. > change of weather > continued motion

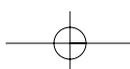


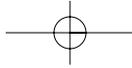
under the ribs of right side of mammary line. Obstinate constipation passes very ill-smelling flatus. Tabes mesenterica. Intestinal hemorrhage. Morning diarrhoea.

**Urinary System** – Increased quantity of pale urine with white sediment.

**Sleep** – Drowsy dull during day, restless at night.

Overall study shows that Tuberculinum and Bacillinum have a lot of similarity. But inspite of the similarity there are very fine line of differences which we see in the two remedies. When we see the mental picture, both are restless, melancholic but tuberculous personality show a more activity and energy. Sankaran provings of Bacillinum talk of bacillinum being described with a hectic feeling seen commonly throughout all the provers. The pace





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of disease seems to be more fast and rapid in Tuberculinum as compared to Bacillinum. Blood disorders are seen more prominently in the Tuberculinum proving whereas Bacillinum shows more tendency towards skin disorders like Pityriasis and. Tuberculinum children will have more tendency towards activity ,speed and fast growth and we see cases of Attention Deficit Disorder whereas Bacillinum literature men-

tions cases of cretinism and children showing growth deficit (some cases of delayed growth have also been seen in tuberculinum cases). Tuberculinum being a well proven remedy certainly has more symptoms and cases to depict how it can be used whereas bacillinum dosenot have much information and in fact most of the literature of Materia Medica has similar information on Bacillinum of the drug except few additions which have been

done by Julian in his work on Nosodes. I hope this information is found useful by the readers and it finds a place in your notes and practice and would be glad if we can add something to this information from your clinical experience. Go ahead use this valuable nosode but rightly and make yourself more valuable to your patients.

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# APIS MELLIFICA

## Honey Bee—MM through Doctrine of Signature

**A honeybee colony is divided up as follows:**

1. **QUEEN BEE**—Is there anything more jealous in nature than the queen bee? There is only one queen bee in a hive. She will not tolerate another and if the rest of the hive have started nurturing another queen bee they will attack each other to the death!

The queen is surrounded by thousands of bees—*can't bear to be left alone*. All the other bees attend to her every need—hard to please. They are totally dependent on the queen, if she dies the whole colony dies—premonition of death. Once a queen has mated she spends the rest of her life laying eggs, almost non stop!—*strong affinity with uterus and ovaries..mania from sexual irritation*. The queen will leave hive only twice—once to mate and once to swarm—*<<darkness*.

2. **FEMALE BEES**—These are either nurse bees, foraging bees or guard bees. Constantly working towards the upkeep of the hive—*busy, restless, constantly changing occupation*. Nurse bees usually stay within the colony until they have been promoted to foragers. Foragers are usually too busy getting food to bother about anything else—*apathy*. Foragers can fly up to 6/8 miles in search of food—*dreams of long journey*. Foragers have a special dancing flight to indicate where the food is—*dancing behaviour*. It is nearly always the guard bees which sting. The sting itself doesn't hurt it is the after effects in those who are susceptible—*burning, huge swelling, itching, area so sensitive to touch, tired & bruised feeling, spreading stiffness, redness but also white wheels << Touch >> cold water*.

3. **DRONES (male)**—They do virtually nothing

around the hive, neither do they go foraging—*Torpor, Apathy*. Their only purpose is for just one of them to mate with the queen. Other than that, come Autumn they get kicked out of the hive so as to save food stores for the rest of the bees. So for all the hundreds of drones only one gets to mate with the new queen who emerges from the hive just once to mate with which ever (lucky????) drone is around. Unfortunately for the drone as soon as he has mated with her, his genitals then explode and he falls to the ground—*dead-sudden shrill and piercing screams, pains & swelling of testis, highly inflamed*.

The hive never sleeps, bees do not sleep (so having)—*great desire to sleep, extreme sleepiness dreams of flying through air*. They never stop moving—*giddiness, fidgety, listless, twitching, << lying down*.

The general colour of a colony is yellow to brown although honey can be anything from white to dark brown. *Waxy, yellow appearance, stools yellow, diarrhoea=white, yellowish, green orange*. Everything about a hive is sticky & wax-discharges sticky.

Bees do need some moisture but most of it is processed through the honey making naturally, you will rarely see a bee drinking—*Thirstless*.

There is also a great deal of *grief* surrounding this remedy which evolves out of the lack of love which prevails around Apis. The hive is totally and utterly servile to the needs of the Queen bee and the survival of the species. 'Love' just does not figure at all.

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