EDITORIAL

Dear Readers,

Developing the science of homeopathy is necessary, so that our understanding of this science and our concepts are fine-tuned and the evolution of homeopathy takes place with time.

Dr Hahnemann brought out six editions of the Organon in his lifetime and seeing this we can be sure that if he would have been alive, he would have certainly brought out more editions. I am not talking about changing the science or its concepts but its further development in parallel to the advancement all around us.

Our basic principles or concepts should be further worked on in line with the technological advancements, so that it can be used to show and prove the laws of homeopathy. This was a limitation in the Hahnemann's time, as the physics of those times had not reached that level. Therefore, Hahnemann could not explain how substances retain their medicinal properties at such high dilutions. He could not define technically what exactly potentization did but showed with results that they still act and that too in a better way than the crude drug.

Today, we have such technology to our aid, which can be used to prove all that. Chemical laboratories are important as plants or the parts, which are being used, can be analyzed for their constituents and properties. The concept of seasonal aggravation and some medicines acting better for certain seasonal complaints, can be studied as to why those plants / animals /minerals act in those seasonal changes. Meteorologists can be involved in those studies.

In a similar way, we can study different groups of remedies, like snakes and spiders for their life cycles, their peculiar features and see how these things influence their usage as remedies. Dr Farokh J Master did an extensive study on snakes, where he studied the features of different snakes in details and proved all snake remedies. This kind of work is an addition to our already existing literature and verifies what is already given in books.

Some doctors like Alastair Gray, Rajan Sankaran and few more have done work on spiders, which adds to the already existing information and thus broadens our scope to understand these mysterious creatures and use the remedies more wisely and effectively. Spiders are usually known to be vindictive but re-proving shows that spider remedies can be much beyond that.

This issue of the journal focuses on the 'Spider Group of Remedies' where various doctors have given hints into the characteristic features of the spider group and spider remedies. Dr Swapan Paul illustrates some cases where spider remedies have been used effectively. Send us your views in response to this edition by writing to us at editor@bjain.com

Coming back to addition to the existing science, our call is that all of us should keep adding symptoms to the Materia Medica and Repertory whatever we see clinically, so more and more symptoms can be confirmed and homeopathy can be made more and more reliable as a science.

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