

## Editorial for November 2012

### Desperate Surgical Cases

I would like to present a few cases to illustrate the action of the Homoeopathic remedy in desperate surgical cases. I have so much to share from the 33 years of my hospital practice but before that I want to show my gratitude to late Dr. Arun Samsi (Director of Surgery K.E.M. Hospital) who taught me and encouraged me so much that what I am today with my knowledge of surgical therapeutics is all because of him.

In the K.E.M. hospital O.P.D. as well as indoor we used a lot of homoeopathic medicine because Dr. Samsi was a great believer of homoeopathy. I want to mention two cases where homoeopathic remedy prevented surgery.

**Case I** – It was a case of a Maharastrian young lady aged 34 years who had 2 children and had recently aborted, since then she had continuous bleeding per vagina. The characteristic of the bleeding was dark brown offensive blood. Associated with this was low grade abdominal pain especially in the lower abdomen, it was crampy pain worse by exertion, jar, deep inspiration and tight clothes and better by flexing legs on abdomen. Her gynecologist examined her and advised dilatation and curettage which she underwent, but even after three days after the procedure the bleeding was still persisting, she was now advised admission in the ward, she was referred by her gynecologist to see if homoeopathic remedies can help!!!

Her other complains were low grade fever with sudden spike of temperature of 103 degree between 9 pm to 11 pm. with no perspiration and no chills. O/e the lower abdomen was very tender to touch, her Hb. Was 8.3 grams, her leucocyte count was 22, 000, with this information she was suspected with peritonitis and was asked to get admitted in the ward and if not better in 48 hours to

undergo major surgery. She was given Bryonia 200C 8 hourly for one day, next day she reported to me that she had a high temperature throughout the night, which indicated a danger of peritonitis. She also complained to me of headache accompanied by nausea and better by cold application, her pulse was 120 per minute full volume, I gave her now Bryonia 1M every 3 hourly for one day; there was immediate recovery after the remedy in 4 days the patient was totally normal with absence of all symptoms.

**Case II** – This was an emergency case, a man 42 years who had an injury on the right forearm and hand after an accident in his factory. In emergency he went to a nearby hospital and got himself treated with antibiotics and cleaning of the wound, within 48 hours he was feeling very drowsy, high fever and swelling of the wound with lots of secretion coming out from the wound, his condition deteriorated and was admitted in K.E.M. hospital for further management, the secretions showed septicemia with *staphylococcus aureus* and *Proteus mirabilis*. The leucocyte count showed 42,000, he had very high fever ranging 103 to 104 degrees. There was low muttering delirium with constant sleepiness, the surgeon informed me that he needs second surgery on the wound as there was too much infection and antibiotics are not helping him, he was very slowly passing in to coma, I gave him Hyoscyamus 200c for 2 days without much relief, now he was much worse then I saw him with his new set of symptoms, his symptoms were:

- Red dark face
- Delirium recognizes no one
- Low muttering delirium
- Delirium with spoor
- Foul odour from the breath
- Eyelids half closed
- Tongue coated dark brown
- Offensive diarrhoea and vomiting
- Offensive sweat

Along with the above symptoms all his previous symptoms were present.

I gave him Baptisia 200 every 3 hourly which instantly relieved all his complaints, his wound became less infected, he became totally conscious in 24 hours and his leucocyte count became normal in 10 days.