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## Drug proving: The base of homoeopathic system of medicine as well as the vital force of homoeopathy

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### Abstract

**Background:** This Article Gives An Idea For All About What Actually Homeopathic Drug Proving Is All About. What Is The Importance Of Drug Proving And How It Differs Our System Or I Can Say How It Individualizes Homoeopathy From Other System Of Medicine.

**Methods:** Various Old Literatures About Drug Proving And Views Of Other Authors Are Combined Together To Get The Total Idea About Drug Proving In Homoeopathy.

**Conclusion:** Gives A Common Man To Know About Drug Proving And Also How Homoeopathy Gets Its Individuality.

**Keywords:** Drug proving, homoeopathy, prover, potentization

### Introduction

#### From Which Aphorisms It Starts???

Yes, about drug proving it's mentioned from aphorism 105 – 145. Once the knowledge of diseases is acquired, the next duty of the physician is to????, prepare the reliable drug substances in order to fight with the diseases in a safer way

Can anyone say what is the process involved in drug proving???? This is a process of understanding the pathogenetic powers of the drugs now let's see what's this power actually is????

Pathos → suffering  
Genetic → producing

The only way to acquire this knowledge is by drug proving.

#### What Actually Homoeopathic Drug Proving Is All About?

Homeopathic drug proving is unique as it is done on healthy humans and also conducted with the dynamized drugs.

In the past, many personalities like Paracelsus, haler etc. made a study but only 2 persons found the necessity of healthy human drug proving .....

Who are those?

- Dr. Samuel Hahnemann
- Albrecht von haller

It is a systematic process of investigating the pathogenetic powers of drugs by administering them on healthy human beings of both sexes, all age groups and of different constitutions

#### The Disadvantages of Proving the Drugs on Sick? (107)

1. Symptoms will mix up what actually happens is the disease symptoms of the sick will mix up with the symptoms produced by the drug substances
2. hypo /hyper sensitive sick people are either hyper or hypo sensitive in nature thus either they react too much or too little to the stimulation of the drug
3. Might cure the patient symptoms produced by drugs which are similar to disease symptoms or it may cure the patient based on similia principals.
4. Palliative effect may start, if the drug symptoms are opposite to that of disease symptoms, thus only few remaining symptoms that are left out after palliation.
5. Mixture of both if the symptoms produced are dissimilar in nature to disease picture, the resulting picture will be a mixture of both the drug induced as well as the disease symptoms so a complex picture will be formed.
6. It will also arouse the latent miasms a powerful, deep acting medicine can arouse the latent miasms in the patient making the drug proving more complex.

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So..... Dr. Hahnemann describes the effects of drugs on the healthy human beings as the positive effect and action of homeopathic medicines on sick as negative effects. Because of all these reasons drug proving cannot be done on the sick human beings

#### **About Provers**

Healthy human drug proving (108-109) is the only reliable method of understanding the Pathogenetic effects of drugs is the healthy human beings thus each individual medicine is proved on all age groups, both sexes, and in different constitutions.

Here it's also mentioned about Albrecht von haller stating that he has identified about this but Hahnemann is first to implement practically

#### **About Materia Medica pura Footnote to 109**

This is book written by Hahnemann. The book was originally written in German language. he called it's as Materia Medica pura because this book contains the pure, real and reliable symptoms produced by single drug on healthy human beings and thus it's what classical homoeopathy means, single dose to be given and symptoms recorded with this principle is the most reliable ones.

#### **Observation of Drug Action by Others (110-111)**

The observations done by other authors were about the toxicological symptoms of crude drug substance

They observed these symptoms either during the accidental poisoning or homicide or suicide, thus there was already the concept of drug proving going around in many minds

#### **Advantages of Using Moderate and Small Doses (112)**

for every primary action of drug, during drug proving or during administration of the drug to sick, there is always an equal and opposite secondary action by vital forces so, when large doses as well as powerful doses of drugs are given to the provers further toxicological effects are produced for which a dangerous and poisonous action is noticed

Sometimes these actions may get merged together making more confusing drug pictures making us difficult to select which actually is drug symptoms. but this can be effectively controlled by using moderate and small doses of drugs during proving of drugs.

#### **Action of Narcotic Medicines (113-114)**

The narcotic drugs in their primary action will actually depress the organism by taking away sensibility and sensation even its possible from moderate doses also, in their secondary action they excite the organism with the increased sensibility and great irritability at all levels. Alternative action it's a type of primary action, where various paroxysms of primary action are seen in alternative states so, during drug proving, under certain conditions some drugs produce symptoms which directly oppose the other which previously or subsequently appeared

At the end of this article i would like to share a view that, homoeopathic drug proving plays a very vital role in homoeopathic system of medicine to an extent i can even say that it's nothing but the vital force of homoeopathy. why am saying so is without it our Materia Medica could not have been constructed as well as to apply the principle of

homoeopathy the core substance we get is actually only by drug proving.

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