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## Medical astrology and homoeopathy

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### Abstract

Astrology and Homoeopathy may appear as two different streams of knowledge—one rooted in the study of celestial influences, and the other in the principles of vital force and individualization of remedies. However, several thinkers and practitioners have attempted to explore their interrelation. Astrology, with its insight into planetary positions and cosmic rhythms, can provide guidance in understanding a patient's constitutional tendencies, predispositions, and even diathesis. Homoeopathy, being a holistic system of medicine, emphasizes the totality of symptoms and individualization. By integrating astrological insights with homoeopathic case-taking, a practitioner may gain a deeper understanding of the patient's temperament, miasmatic tendencies, and possible disease patterns. This article explores the historical background, philosophical correlations, and practical applications of astrology as an aid in homoeopathic practice.

**Keywords:** Astrology, homoeopathy, constitution, planets

### Introduction

Homoeopathy, founded by Dr. Samuel Hahnemann, is based on the law of similars and the dynamic concept of health and disease. It emphasizes the role of the vital force and the unique individuality of each patient. Astrology, on the other hand, has been an ancient science of studying the effects of celestial bodies on human life. Both systems share a holistic worldview: that human beings are not isolated, but interconnected with the universe. This common ground opens possibilities for integration.

Ancient physicians such as Hippocrates, Paracelsus, and Galen considered astrology essential for medical practice. Paracelsus, often regarded as a precursor to homoeopathy, wrote that "a physician without knowledge of astrology has no right to call himself a physician." In India, Ayurveda too has recognized the role of planetary influences on health. Though Hahnemann did not explicitly link Homoeopathy with Astrology, he emphasized the dynamic, energetic basis of disease, which resonates with astrological principles. Some Philosophical Correlation between Astrology and Homoeopathy are there which are as follow:

1. **Vital force and cosmic energy:** Homoeopathy acknowledges a dynamic life force, while astrology considers planetary influences as energies affecting human life. Both stress the subtle, non-material aspects of health.
2. **Constitutional types:** Homoeopathy classifies patients as psoric, sycotic, or syphilitic in miasmatic terms; astrology identifies constitutional tendencies through zodiac signs and planetary dominance.
3. **Individualization:** Homoeopathy treats the individual, not the disease; astrology also emphasizes individual birth charts, highlighting uniqueness.
4. **Timing of disease:** Astrology can suggest periods when a person is more vulnerable to disease; this may help homoeopaths anticipate relapses or crises.

### Practical applications in homoeopathy

According to Dr. H.A. Roberts, "If therefore this force, this energy, actuates or permeates all forms and degrees of life from the most humble and inconspicuous to the very Planets, we may reasonably assume that vital force is the most fundamental of all conditions of the universe, and that the laws governing the vital force in the individual are correlated with the laws which governs all vital force, all forms of energy, wherever or however expressed." Energy which is responsible for all growths and all development in all spheres of existence. In Indian astrology, the connection between human beings and planetary principles is

believed to be established through the positions and movements of celestial objects at the time of a person's birth. This connection is analyzed by astrologers using a person's birth chart or horoscope, which is a map of the sky at the exact moment of their birth. The birth chart includes the positions of the Sun, Moon, Planets (Grahas), and other celestial points in relation to the twelve astrological houses, Zodiac signs (Rashis), and Nakshatras (Lunar Mansions). Astrologers interpret this data to understand how the celestial bodies might influence various aspects of an individual's life, including personality, strengths, weaknesses, and potential life events. Each planet and celestial point is associated with specific qualities, energies, and principles, and their positions in the birth chart are thought to indicate how these principles manifest in a person's life. The human body has a very deep connection with diseases. In fact, diseases are an important part of our lives.

According to medical Astrology, each sign and each planet is related to a particular type of disease. We can also say that a person may be affected by a certain type of diseases if his planet or zodiac sign becomes weak. Although, it is not necessary that you will suffer from all diseases. However, a certain type of disease might harm you. So in this context lets talk about 12 Astrology houses and diseases related to them. Each of our body parts links with a specific zodiac sign. However, some Zodiac signs threaten disease of prolonging, chronic, and tedious nature. Although, each sign has specific quality and specification and plays a very vital role in the structure of our body.

Regarding the diagnosis of diseases, Indian astrology suggests that the positions and aspects of planets can provide insights into a person's health and the potential for health issues. Astrologers may analyze the birth chart to identify periods when a person might be more susceptible to certain health problems based on planetary influences. This information can be used as a guideline for individuals to take preventive measures and make informed decisions about their health. In the example you provided about a person potentially being a Transgender based on the positions of the Sun and Moon in their horoscope, it's important to note that such interpretations are part of astrological beliefs and not supported by scientific evidence. Astrology relies on symbolic and cultural associations rather than empirical data. It's essential to approach astrology as a belief system or form of divination that some people find meaningful and use for self-reflection or guidance. However, its claims and predictions should not be confused with the methods and principles of evidence-based medicine or science. Medical decisions and diagnoses should be made by qualified healthcare professionals based on clinical assessments and scientific evidence.

### **Zodiac signs and body parts**

**Aries:** Head, brain, face

**Taurus:** Throat, neck, lips

**Gemini:** Lungs, hands, arms

**Cancer:** Stomach, breasts, chest, ribs

**Leo:** Heart, sack, spine, forearms.

**Virgo:** Intestines, lower spine, fingers, spleen

**Libra:** Kidneys, skin, lumbar region

**Scorpio:** Bladder, anus, nose, appendix

**Sagittarius:** Hips, thighs, nerves, arteries

**Capricorn:** Knees, joints, teeth, skin

**Aquarius:** Legs, ankles, circulation of blood

**Pisces:** Feet, toes, lymphatic system

### **Understanding constitution relation with planets**

According to astrology the four elements constitutes the Human body. Earth, Air, Fire and Water that is compare with the Plegmatic, Sanguine, Choleric and Melancholic. Dr. Jung made his analysis sound more scientific by using functional terms to describe the four types.

When the all four elements are in balanced state the vital force in harmony. All the person have any one of the above element are dominant and that is the main personality or constitute the person according the dominance other three elements also play the role according to their age.

In homoeopathy there is main three miasm and according to Dr. Hahnemann 3 types of constitution that's is Psora, Sycosis and Syphilis which is similar to Vatta, Kapha and Pitta.

### **Planetary doshic rulership**

#### **1. Vata (Air and Earth)**

Governs movement, circulation, and the nervous system. The associated planets have a light, mobile nature.

**Saturn (Shani):** The primary Vata planet. Its influence can cause chronic issues, decay, and nervous system disorders.

**Mercury (Budh):** A neutral planet with Vata-like qualities, especially regarding the nervous system and communication.

**Rahu:** A shadowy planet that can create Vata imbalance, causing nervous system troubles, mental anxiety, and obsessive behavior.

#### **2. Pitta (Fire)**

Controls digestion, metabolism, and intelligence. The associated planets have a fiery, transformative nature.

**Sun (Surya):** The king of planets, representing the soul, energy, and vitality. Its fiery nature governs digestive fire (agni), the heart, and bones.

**Mars (Mangal):** The planet of action, courage, and aggression. Its hot, fiery nature influences the blood, muscles, and bile.

**Ketu:** A shadowy planet that, like Mars, has fiery qualities. Its influence can cause sudden, intense spiritual transformations or acute inflammatory health issues.

#### **3. Kapha (Earth and water)**

Rules stability, lubrication, and endurance. The associated planets have a watery or earthy nature.

**Moon (Chandra):** The nurturing planet of emotions and the mind. Its watery nature governs the body's fluids, including blood plasma (rasa dhatu).

**Jupiter (Brihaspati):** The planet of wisdom and expansion. Its Kapha-like quality governs the liver, fat tissue (meda dhatu), and physical growth.

**Venus (Shukra):** The planet of love, beauty, and comfort. Its watery nature rules the reproductive system and regulates sugar levels in the body.

### **Predicting susceptibility**

Astrology can highlight hereditary tendencies (for example, Jupiter-Moon aspects pointing towards liver or digestive troubles). This may complement miasmatic analysis.

A person with a weak 6<sup>th</sup> house in Birth Chart may be prone to chronic illness. This can alert the Homoeopath to hereditary tendencies, similar to miasmatic predisposition.

**Remedy selection**

Some practitioners match planetary influences with remedies. For example:

Sun - Glonoinum, Aurum met, Sulphur

Moon - Natrum mur, Pulsatilla, Silicea

Mercury - Mercurius, Argentum nitricum

Saturn - Baryta carb, Plumbum

Venus - Thuja, Sepia, Phosphorus

Mars - Belladonna, Stramonium, Nux vomica

Jupiter - Lycopodium, Calcarea carb

Such correspondences, though not universally accepted, can provide additional insight.

**Timing of treatment**

Certain astrological transits may be favorable for starting treatment, enhancing receptivity to remedies.

**Psychological insights**

Astrology can provide insights into hidden fears, emotional tendencies, or suppressed traits, which may not emerge in case taking but influence remedy choices.

**Criticism and limitations**

Scientific evidence linking astrology with homoeopathy is limited. Over-reliance on astrology may overshadow the core principles of homoeopathy. Astrology should be seen as a complementary tool, not as a substitute for proper Homoeopathic case-taking.

**Conclusion**

Astrology and Homoeopathy share a holistic vision, recognizing the interconnectedness of the individual with the cosmos. While Homoeopathy provides remedies based on the law of similars, Astrology offers insights into predispositions, temperament, and timing. Used judiciously, astrology may enrich the homoeopath's understanding of patients and support individualized treatment. Further systematic study and documentation are needed to integrate these two streams more effectively.

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