

LM POTENCY

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This article has steamed out of my inductive reasoning. I must remind readers that Hahnemann was an Inductive philosopher and an empiricist that is why he became a follower of Bacon and Homeopathy is the only working methodology of Baconian science.

Due to his regard to Francis Bacon Hahnemann named his book of homeopathic methodology as The Organon Der heilkunde. (Francis Bacon's classic which influenced Hahnemann's philosophy was called Organum Novum).

Hering defines the use of philosophy of induction in Homoeopathy as:

"the facts had first to be collected, one by one, and then arranged in some way, that they might be applied again and again, until the probabilities increased and a scientific certainty was within reach".

The first part of the article shall deal with the facts about LM potencies and I shall be only bringing forth what Hahnemann has written in his update of fifth edition of The Organon (The so called Sixth Edition). The second part shall pose logical questions and my answers are one liners because I would like each reader to find answers on his own on the basis of his thought process where in my role shall be of a catalyst.

Defining LM Potencies

LM stands for Fifty (L=50 in roman numeric) Thousand (M=1000 in roman numeric).

This was a new scale discovered by Hahnemann while he practiced in Paris.

Where difference of dilution between two successive potencies, say LM1 & LM 2 was 1/50,000 as we shall understand later in this article.

This was not only a difference in scale but a new way of making the potency where difference of succession between two successive potencies, say LM1 & LM 2 was 100 jerks as we shall understand later in this article. Also in its preparation we see a novel way of preparation where in dry and wet phases of medicines are seen this too we shall see later in the article

LM POTENCIES ARE

- ◆ SMALL, WELL DYNAMIZED, RAPID, CURATIVE & GENTLE IN ACTION
- ◆ WORK AT ALL THREE LEVELS:
MENTAL, GENERAL, PHYSICAL (Aphorism 247, 253, 272)

Preparation & Denotation

- ◆ 1 GRAIN (0.062 gm) OF SUBSTANCE TRITURATED FOR 3 HOURS with

- ◆ 100 GRAINS (6.2 gm) OF MILK OF SUGAR
- ◆ THIS IS 3C TRITURATION
- ◆ 1/1000,000

PREPARATION OF LM M.T.

- ◆ ONE GRAIN (0.062 gm) OF TRITURATION
- ◆ DISSOLVED IN 500 DROPS (30 ml) OF WATER/ALCOHOL MIXTURE (90%) MIXED IN A RATIO OF 400:100
- ◆ THIS IS LM MOTHER TINCTURE
- ◆ 1/500,000,000
- ◆ NO SUCUSSION TILL THIS POINT.

PREPARATION OF LM 1

- ◆ 1 DROP OF LM M.T.
- ◆ DISSOLVED IN 99 DROPS OF 95% ALCOHOL
- ◆ 100 SUCUSSIONS
- ◆ 1/50,000,000,000
- ◆ THIS IS FIRST 50 MILLESIMAL POTENCY

PREPARATION OF LM 0/1

- ◆ 1 DROP OF LM1.
- ◆ DISSOLVED IN 500 POPPY SEED SIZE GRANULES
- ◆ THESE GRANULES ARE STORED FOR FURTHER USE LABELED AS LM 0/1
- ◆ THUS ONE GRANULE OF
LM0/1 = 1/25,000,000,000,000

PREPARATION OF LM 2

- ◆ 1 GRANULE OF LM 0/1
- ◆ DISSOLVED IN 99 DROPS OF 95% ALCOHOL
- ◆ 100 SUCUSSIONS
- ◆ THIS IS SECOND 50 MILLESIMAL POTENCY
- ◆ 1/25,00,000,000,000,000

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LM 1 & LM 2

- ◆ LM 1 = 1/50,000,000,000
- ◆ LM 2 = 1/25,00,000,000,000,000
- ◆ i.e. 1/50,000,000,000 X 1/50,000

LM 3

- ◆ 1/50,000,000,000

- ◆X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000
- ◆TOTAL SUCUSSIONS 300

LM 4

- ◆1/50,000,000,000
- ◆X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000
- ◆TOTAL SUCUSSIONS 400

◆THIS IS FIRST LM PREPRATION THAT GOES BEYOND AVEGADRO'S NUMBER

LM 5

- ◆1/50,000,000,000
- ◆X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000
- ◆TOTAL SUCUSSIONS 500

LM 11

- ◆1/50,000,000,000
- ◆X 1/50,000 X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000 X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000 X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000 X 1/50,000
- ◆X 1/50,000 X 1/50,000
- ◆TOTAL SUCUSSIONS 1100

COMPARISION OF LM 11 & 30CH

LM 11	30 CH
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ATTENUATION 5-11X 10-50 ◆SUCUSSIONS 600 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ATTENUATION 10-60 ◆SUCUSSIONS 300

NOW THE LOGICAL QUESTIONS

Q. 1 WHICH IS MORE DILUTE?

- ◆ LM 11 IS MORE ATTENUATED

Q. 2 WHICH IS MORE SUCCUSED?

- ◆ LM 11 IS MORE SUCCUSED THAN 30CH

- ◆ 1100 SUCCUSSIONS AGAINST 300

Q. 3 WHICH IS MORE POTENT?

- ◆ LM 11

Q. 4 ACCORDING TO HAHNEMANN SHOULD A POTENT REMEDY BE REPEATED FREQUENTLY?

- ◆ NO

- ◆ IF ACORDING TO HAHNEMANN LM 11 CAN BE GIVEN DAILY WHY NOT 30CH? OR FOR THAT MATTER 200 CH OR 1000 CH.

Q. 5 WHY HAHNEMANN THOUGHT OF LM POTENCY?

- ◆ WANTED A NEW SCALE
- ◆ WANTED TO PREPARE HIGHER POTENCIES WITH LESSER EFFORT
- ◆ WANTED TO AVOID AGGRAVATIONS
- ◆ WANTED TO REPEAT MEDICINES FREQUENTLY
- ◆ ALCHEMIC BELIEVES

In Paris Hahnemann was friends with Mesmer and also he was member of Masonic society and in that phase of life he was more into the metaphysical ideas we don't know why Hahnemann devised such a scale and such a complex method of prepration.

WHY LM POTENCY?

- ◆ HIGH POTENCIES (CH) PRODUCED FAST & DEEP EFFECTS
- ◆ POTENTIAL AGGRAVATION PROHIBITED FREQUENT REPETITIONS
- ◆ HAHNEMANN THOUGHT OF REFINING HIS DOSE
- ◆ ? COMMERCIAL/SPRITUAL DECISION
- ◆ HAHNEMANN REFINED HIS DOSE BY:
- ◆ CHANGING SCALE FROM 1:100 TO 1:50,000
- ◆ INCREASING THE NUMBER OF SUCCUSSIONS FROM 10 TO 100
- ◆ ABONDINING THE DRY DOSE
- ◆ PLUSSING THE FREQUENTLY ADMINISTERED LIQUID DOSE (272)

LM'S ARE INDICATED IN:

- ◆FRAIL PATIENTS WITH LOW VITALITY
- ◆HYPERSENSITIVE TO REMEDIES
- ◆HAVE SEVERE PATHOLOGY
- ◆IN CASES WITH HISTORY OF SUPPRESSION

ADVANTAGES OF LM'S

- ◆HASTENS PROCESS OF CURE (246)
- ◆AGGRAVATIONS MILD & UNDER CONTROL (275)
- ◆SMALL GAP BETWEEN POTENCY RANGE
- ◆NO CHOICE OF POTENCY NECESSARY START LM 1(246/281)

HOW TO DISPENSE A LM POTENCY

- ◆THE BOTTLE THAT IS GIVEN TO THE PATIENT IS CALLED A STOCK BOTTLE
- ◆STOCK BOTTLE HAS 30 ml WATER + FEW DROPS OF ALCOHOL
- ◆TAKE 1 GLOBULE OF LM DRY, MIX IT IN 30ml STOCK BOTTLE
- ◆DISPENSE TO THE PATIENT

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE PATIENT

- ◆SHAKE THE BOTTLE ON BALL OF THE HAND TWICE
- ◆ADD 2 DROPS IN 150 ml OF WATER
(ONE TEA CUP)
- ◆STIR GENTLY TO MIX
- ◆TAKE 1 TEA SPOON (5ml) ON DRY TONGUE
- ◆DISCARD THE REST
- ◆TAKE 1 DOSE EVERY DAY

To sum up my article I must say that I hesitate in using LM's because I am not sure of the process which smacks of spirituality more than science. I am fine with the scale of attenuation and the increase in number of successions but the dry and wet phases make me uncomfortable. I have used LM's in my practice but Kentian use of Higher potencies have given me more rapid, deeper and satisfactory effect even in advanced pathologies.

Remember Homoeopathy is a science of experience and my experience may differ from yours but the logic of our thinking must be same then only Homoeopathy shall become rationale medical art.

