

Declaration

With great concern we have been observing the attempts to introduce speculative and metaphysical elements into homeopathy during the last few years.

Homoeopathy was founded as a "rational medicine". Its origin and guideline is the treatment of the sick "on clearly comprehensible principles" - a legitimate demand of Hahnemann's of any medical practice. This basic principle was a clear departure from the speculative concepts of treatment predominating in those days, and represented enormous progress in scientific thinking.

Of course, new experiments were made after Hahnemann's days, and there have been new developments within homeopathy. The products of fantasy, free association, the doctrine of signatures and other analogies, however, cannot be the basis for a rational healing art.

Association and speculation are tempting from a didactic point of view. Regarding the homeopathic materia medica and its augmentation, however, there can be no other sources than diligent drug provings (including toxicology) and the clinical verifications of this information.

Whoever attempts to draw his knowledge from sources other than such pure, unadulterated observations of drug effects should accurately separate these "creations" from the homeopathic materia medica. A clear definition of sources and a reliable materia medica are the vital basis of homeopathy. A choice of a remedy that is not based on "clearly comprehensible principles" cannot be called a homeopathic prescription.

Homeopathy is no "magic medicine" - its principles can be tested by evidence. The term "homeopathy" was reserved by its founder for a well-defined scientific healing art. Whoever wants to apply different methods of treatment is free to do so - he or she should give them a different name, though, to avoid misleading patients and the public. We deny all those who follow and apply speculative practices the right to call these practices homeopathy.

We are calling for a recollection of homeopathy's fundamental principles.

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