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BARYTA MURIATICA

THROAT

- Enlarged tonsils and cervical glands, especially the right side.
- Chronic or acute inflammation of tonsils with huge swelling.
- Throat pain, worse on the right side, better from cold drinks.
- Sensation of a lump in the throat which prevents swallowing.
- Enlarged submandibular glands.

CLINICAL


COMPARISONS

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BELLADONNA

The Belladonna constitutional type is healthy, vital, and robust. The mental state is usually quite balanced except in the violent deliriums of this remedy. Belladonna is well-known for its usefulness in acute disorders and febrile conditions, but its importance in chronic diseases is less well appreciated. In all forms of disorders, the conditions are congestive, intense and often characterized by pain and throbbing or pulsation. The chronic conditions which should cause the homeopath to consider Belladonna include intensely painful migraines, sinusitis, arthritis and also hypertension. Most authors have noted that Belladonna symptoms come suddenly but these chronic conditions may start slowly and develop further and further over the years.

Acute. The acute conditions of Belladonna start suddenly, often with high fevers and great intensity of the physical symptoms. The face is red and hot, the eyes glisten, the pupils are dilated and the feet and hands are cold. The illness comes like a storm and rarely lasts long; continued fevers will rarely respond to Belladonna. Often the inflamed area will have intense heat, almost seeming to scald the examiner's hand. Typically the patient is thirsty though he may crave lemonade. The pain is often throbbing or pulsating and the inflamed part is usually deep red in color. Also noteworthy in the acute illness is the easily developed delirium or vivid hallucination. These hallucinations may come with any fever and often without significant prostration or much impairment of energy.
MENTALS

Sudden explosive anger.
Violent delirium, mania or psychosis, especially when the physical
strength is almost superhumanly increased.

• **Hallucination** of a most vivid nature, especially during fever.

• **Fear of dogs.**

Desire to strike; to bite; to pull hair; to spit.

Buxism.

Coma.

GENERALS

**Markedly affected by change of temperature:** whole syndromes can
be started by being chilled, becoming overheated, washing the hair
(because the head gets overheated then chilled).

Can be either warm or chilly.

• **General aggravation at 3 PM** or the complaints may start at 11 AM
  and then peak around 3 PM.

• **General aggravation due to hormonal insults or imbalances** such as
  abortions, menopause, pregnancy (these events may even initiate a
  chronic condition).

**General aggravation from being jarred.**

**General aggravation from motion.**

**General aggravation around the menstrual period.**

**Pains ameliorated from pressure.**

**Flushes of heat,** menopausal or vascular.

**Right-sided complaints.**

**Convulsions, especially  febrile convulsions.** Eclampsia.

**Grand mal.** Petit mal.

**Twitches or jerking.**

• **Intense heat in the affected part** - feels almost as if it has scalded
  the examiner’s hand and the sensation or memory of heat lingers
  in the hand.

**General aggravation from light, noise, touch.**

**High blood pressure:** Belladonna is one of the main remedies in
hypertensive crisis with flushes, excitement of the cardiac system,
pounding headaches and impending stroke (*Lach*).

VERTIGO

• **In acute and chronic vertigo,** worse turning the head, worse turning
  over in bed, worse bending forward.

Meniere's syndrome with ringing in the ear and vertigo making the
patient unable to turn in bed.
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HEAD

Migraine.

Head pains often begin in occiput and radiate to the right temple or forehead and settle about the right eye (Sáng).

Headache begin 3 PM or at 11 AM and peaking 3 PM.

Head pains aggravated by •light, noise, •jar, motion, sun, menses, heat, washing the hair, stepping, touch, stooping, coughing.

Head pains ameliorated by cold applications, lying in the dark, pressure, from binding the head, by sitting by lying on abdomen.

Head pains severe, pounding or pulsating. (May also be described as "like a knife" or "as if the eyes will be pushed out of the head" or as "maddening.")

Acne, very malignant type with red lesions deep in the skin and no pus showing through.

Large cysts or abscesses under the skin of face, fiery red and painful.

Sinusitis, maxillary or frontal.

Sinus pain, maxillary or frontal, right-sided, worse touch, better by hard pressure, worse by stooping forward.

Facial convulsions, especially on the right side.

EAR

Otitis media, severe pains, usually right-sided, worse at night in bed, throbbing.

Otitis media with tympanic membrane red and bulging.

THROAT

•Acute suppurative tonsillitis, worse on right side. Pain aggravated by passage of air over the inflamed part.

Averse to tight collars.

STOMACH

Craving lemon and • lemonade.


Thirstless.

ABDOMEN

Pain and cramping along the transverse colon. Colic.

Appendicitis.

Pains aggravated by touch; better from general, firm pressure.

Cholecystitis.
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RECTUM

Consipation; dryness of the rectum in most cases.
Hemorrhoids with exquisite pain and congestion.

UROGENITAL

Severe dysmenorrhea, sometimes with "bearing down" pains.
Metrorrhagia with fluid red or dark blood but mixed with large or dark clots (Sabin).
Uterine hemorrhage feels hot.
Sex drive is generally low to low-normal.
Cystitis. Pyelonephritis.
Enuresis: the children typically have such deep sleep they do not awaken to urinate.
Orchitis and epididymitis.
Right-sided ovarian pains or cysts (Apis, Lye, Pall, Podo).

CHEST

Pneumonia with typical Belladonna presentation.
Mastitis with great tenderness, heat and inflammation.

BACK

Low back pain with pains extending upwards.
Back pain, herniated discs with great aggravation from motion or jarring.

EXTREMITIES

• Cold hands and feet but face hot.
Arthritis with hot swollen joints, typical Belladonna modalities.
Flushes of heat to extremities.

SLEEP


CLINICAL

Tonsillitis. Vertigo.

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ACUTES

May help to abort many convulsions if used at the first indication.
Meningitis. Encephalitis.
Otitis media, mainly right-sided, often with aggravation at night in bed, intense pains which make the child scream and become frantic, bright red tympanic membrane with marked swelling.
Iritis.
Pharyngitis and tonsillitis with deep red discoloration, markedly swollen tonsils, often distinctly right-sided, worse for swallowing.
Acute cholecystitis.
Pleurisy. Pneumonia.
Mastitis, mainly right-sided, red, painful, worse from jar.
Pyelonephritis. Cystitis.
Ovarian pains and cysts, mainly right-sided, markedly painful, worse before or during the menses, worse from jar or motion.
Sciatica and low back pain with marked aggravation from motion, from misstepping and jarring.
Acute arthritis, markedly inflamed, red, swollen joint, worse from motion or jar, ameliorated by cold applications.
Influenza. Upper respiratory infection.
Early stage of any exanthem - rubella, mumps, etc.
Scarlet fever.
Appendicitis.

COMPLEMENTARY

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COMPARISONS

Acon - Sudden, intense fever and inflammation, flushes, marked pain.
Bry - Fever, marked aggravation from motion and jar, better from pressure, appendicitis, constipation, irritability.
Apis - Heat and inflammation of the affected part, flushes of heat, better from cold applications, thirstless, right-sided complaints, ovarian cysts, irritable, healthy mentally, great vitality.
Lach - Disorders of circulation and blood pressure, worse from heat, congestive, throbbing headaches, flushes, complaints around the menses, aversion to tight collars.
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