



AN ENTHRALLING ROLE OF INSECTS IN HOMOEOPATHY

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ABSTRACT

Insects are always described under the sub-heading's Restlessness, competitiveness, complex, teasing, industrious, ambitious, over sensitiveness, fragile which are quite characteristic to it. This article is an attempt to understand the nature and constitution of insect group personality in homoeopathy.

INTRODUCTION ¹

- Insects are invertebrate animals, i.e, without backbone, and are included in arthropods.
- Insects are most eminent successful animals of all animals, having about 8lakh species. Amongst them, the majority of insects are small in size.
- Class Insecta, is the largest class of phylum Arthropoda and the largest phylum in terms of number of species, distribution and adaptations.
- "Insects, the most successful animals in terms of species diversity, have significant roles in homoeopathy. This article aims to analyse the unique characteristics of insect remedies and their therapeutic implications in homoeopathic practice."



MORPHOLOGY

- Body develops from three germ layers, this makes arthropods triploblastic animals.
- Anterior part of body contains head which bears well developed sense organs.²
- Muscles are segmentally arranged in bundles, each specialised to move a particular segment of the body.
- All muscles are striated and capable of rapid action, hence the insect personality is always active, restless and quick in nature.³
- Mouth with movable appendages. There is one pair of mandible and jaw.
- Endocrine system has been developed especially for controlling metabolic activities and hence its therapeutic action on endocrine system.⁴
- Sexes are usually separate and often there is distinct sexual dimorphism. Gonads have ducts.

INSECT THEME ⁵

- **THEME SUGGESTING RESTLESSNESS, SPEED, AGILITY**
- **Intense pace:** Hyperactivity, must be on the move, Running, jumping, flying, Rush of flow of thoughts, Loquacious, Hasty talk, Travelling wander desire to

AILMENTS FROM

- Rage, Shock, Jealousy, Bad News, Rainy Weather, Fright, Vexation, Getting Wet, Suppressed Urticaria And Rash.

CONSTITUTION

- Temperament: Nervous And Irritable - Teenage Girls Who Have Awkwardness (Tendency To Drop The Things)
- Irritable, Nervous, Peevish, Very Jealous
- Thermal Cleavage: Generally Hot
- Diathesis: Scrofulous
- Miasms: Tri Miasmatic

CLASSIFICATION ⁶

Kingdom: Animalia

Phylum: Arthropoda

Sub-Phylum: Hexapoda

Class: Insecta

INSECTA IS FURTHER DIVIDED IN TO THE FOLLOWING ORDERS

- Hymenoptera, Lepidoptera, Coleoptera, Orthoptera, Hemiptera, Diptera, Dictyoptera, Siphonoptera ⁷

SUB CLASSIFICATION	SYMPTOMS	HOMOEOPATHIC REMEDIES
COLEOPTERA ⁸	Frenzy, overreaction, mania Hard shell, fragile inside, feels vulnerable, bullied, feels used, feels guilty, stability, stabbing pain burning pain, cystitis, burns. ⁹	Cantharis vesicatoria, Doryphoradecemlineata, Triatema, Coccinella septum punctata ¹⁰
DYCTYOPTERA ¹¹	Cursing, Anger, Thinks others are victimising them, Numbness, Indifference, Crushed, Ambition for status, To be polished, Successful	Blatta orientalis Blatta americana ¹²
DIPTERA ¹³	Dirty, low, worthless, rubbish, belittled, confusion, perversion, harassing. ¹⁴	Culex musca, housefly.
HYMENOPTERA ¹⁵	Highly organised social structures, industrious, fastidious, busy activity, home, family social duty, bossy, organised home life feels unstable, fragile, sarcasm, stinging repeatedly, unemotional	Formica rufa, apis mellifica, vespa crabro.
LEPIDOPTERA ¹⁶	Restless, flitting, lack concentration, confusion, fickle, change to survive.	Bombyx Chrysorrhoea Bombyx Processionea ¹⁷
HEMIPTERA ¹⁸	Greedy, Needy, Clingy, Get Too Close, Talk About Themselves. ¹⁹	Chenopodium glauci aphid , Cimex acanthia , Coccus cacti , Pediculus capitis , Pediculus cooties
ORTHOPTERA ²⁰	Irritability, Ambition To Be The Best, Hunger, Emptiness, Cold, Fear Of Attack.	Schistocerca gregaria ²¹
SIPHONOPTERA ²²	Industrious, Restless, Organised, Active, Competitiveness, Ambition, Materialistic, Showy, Wealth And Status, ambitious hardworking	Pulex irritans ²³

**ATTACK: TYPE OF ATTACK ²⁴**

- Fear Of Being Attacked, Fear Of Death: By Violent Suffocation Or Violent Death, Quick Escape, Fleeing, Pretending Death, Camouflage, Attacked Feeling, Caught And Trapped, Deceit, Cunning, Impulsive Violence, Impulsive Aggression, Suddenness, Sudden Urges , Sudden Bursts

COMPLEX ²⁴

- Small, Powerless, Helpless, Insulted, Humiliated, Belittled, Used, Taken Advantage Of, Dirty, Ugly, Repulsive, Dugusting, Teasing, Cutting, Stinging Comments, Gossip, Irritating, Harassing, Suddenness, Fear Death, End Of The World, Short Life Span, Sudden Violent Aggression, Sudden Attack And Desire To Escape

SEXUAL SPHERE

- INCREASED SEXUAL DESIRE: with persistent and painful erections, Nocturnal emissions, HIGH DRIVE, HOMOSEXUALITY, POLYMORPHOUS

ANGER

- Irritation, Swearing, bugging, Parasitic, VIOLENT RAGE with impulse to kill

OBSESSIVE COMPULSIVE DISORDER

- Organised, Workaholics, Village Community, Colorful, Need to Look Special

SIDE AFFINITY

RIGHT SIDE	LEFT SIDE
✓ APIS MELLIFICA	✓ CIMEX ACANTHIA
✓ BLATTA AMERICANA	✓ PULEX IRRITANS
✓ COCCINELLA SEPTUMPUNCTATA	✓ VESPA CRABRO
✓ FORMICA RUFA	
✓ CANTHARIS VESICATOR	

CHARACTERISTIC PARTICULARS**BURNING PAIN ²⁵**

APIS MELLIFICA	Burning, Stinging, Lancing Pain With Excessive Swelling , > Cold Application, <By Heat, Slightest Touch Or Pressure
VESPA CRABRO	Burning > Bathing With Vinegar. Cold Water Applied First > Then <.
FORMICA RUFA	Burning Pain Renewed from Cold Washing.
BOMBYX PROCESSIONEA	Burning Heat of Skin



CANTHARIS VESICATORIA	Raw, Sore, Burning & A Sharp Lancinating Pain <Slightest Touch, >Warm Application
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SENSITIVENESS ²⁶

APIS MELLIFICA	Great sensitiveness to touch
CANTHARIS VESICATOR	Over sensitiveness of all parts. The slightest touch or approach aggravates the mental symptoms.
COCCUS CACTI	General sensitiveness to touch and pressure. Fauces are very sensitive. Brushing teeth causes cough.
DORYPHORA DECEMLINEATA	< touch and pressure

THIRST ²⁷

APIS MELLIFICA	Thirst less except during chill stage of intermitted fever
CANTHARIS	Burning thirst with aversion to drinking (picture of hydrophobia). In fever, thirst only after the shivering.
COCCINELLA SEPTUM PUNCTATA	Symptoms of hydrophobia
COCCUS CACTI	Mouth and tongue dry, with much thirst. After dinner much thirst and when he drinks water, then chilliness.
CIMEX ACANTHIA	Thirst during apyrexia, but little during chill stage, still less during heat stage and none during sweating.
PULEX IRRITANS	Thirsty, especially during headache

SWELLING, DROPSY, ASCITES ²⁸

APIS MELLIFICA	Oedema of skin and mucous membrane. Swelling or Puffiness up of varicose parts. Pale waxy oedematous swelling with a red rosy hue. Ascites and anasarca. Dropsy of Apis is characterized by thirstlessness, transparency of skin and scant urine. Bag like swelling under the eyes. Dropsy of right ovary and right testicle.
BLATTA AMERICANA	Ascites, various forms of dropsy, yellow complexion (Jaundice)

**URINARY COMPLAINTS – BURNING AND FREQUENCY ²⁹**

APIS MELLIFICA	Burning and soreness when urinating. Can scarcely retain urine. When passed scalds severely. Incontinence of urine when coughing and sneezing. Frequent, painful, scanty, bloody urine, stinging pain and strangury.
BLATTA AMERICANA	Pain in urethra while micturating
DORYPHORA DECEMLINEATA	Burning in urinary passage Strangury urethritis itching and burning Inflammation of glans penis Urethritis due to local irritation.
FORMICA RUFA	urine bloody. Albuminous with urates. Paralysis of bladder. Double the quantity of urine, even at night. Urine like saffron bright yellow
CANTHARIS	Constant urging to urinate, passing but a few drops at a time, which is mixed with blood like molten lead. Intolerable urging before, during and after urination. Burning, cutting pain in urethra during micturition.
COCCUS CACTI	Burning pain in urethra while urinating. Frequent urination. Black red sediment, urinary calculi, urates and uric acid, haematuria, dysuria, lassingating pain from kidney to bladder.
CHENOPODI GLAUCI APHIS	Voluptuous feeling in the glands. Burning in urethra. Frequent copious frothy micturition.
PULEX IRRITANS	Urine scanty with frequent urging with pressure on bladder and burning in urethra. Flow stops suddenly followed by pain, can't retain urine. Irritable bladder before menses.
VESPA CRABRO	Burning micturition in females. Dysuria with backache.

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