



# A Case of Hansen's Disease

## INTRODUCTION:

The most exciting find of this century, for us in Homeopathy, was when we could unravel the intricacies of leprosy cases, using the miasmatic understanding of Tubercular Miasm underlying the leprosy disease. This approach helped us to resolve many cases of this disease. We will share with you this understanding, demonstrating it through this case.

This case was taken at our Rural Palghar hospital on 30/01/02 under the supervision of Dr Dilip Dixit by Dr

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Mr AA S, Muslim, and Non-vegetarian, 46 yrs, married since 15 yrs (ie at age of 35y, pretty unusual for the Muslim community) 11<sup>th</sup> std (Marathi) and working as a mason, has 2 sons, 1 daughter; both his parents live with him.

3 Brother: 1 of whom died; 2 Sister: 25yrs, 22 yrs (unmarried)

## CHIEF COMPLAINT:

LOCATION	SENSATION	MODALITIES	ACCOMPANIMENTS
1) Skin - Chest & Ears lobes Onset Since 3 <sup>rd</sup> std Skin-all over. H/O-25 yrs back. H/o 10 yrs back Once Rt Foot - toes Since 2-3 yrs. Lt hand - Little finger. Gradually increasing.  Since 5 yrs Foot - toes. F: Recurrent	Hypopigmented Patches Sensory loss+. Biopsy done, report not available. Eruption+.  Non-healing Wound <sup>2</sup>  Flexion Deformity Unable to extend fully. Sensation (N) "Ulnar claw Hand with flexion contracture". Ulceration-Non healing. Thickened & hyper pigmented healing Hardening <sup>2</sup> Non-healing Wound	Rx: Irregularly for 8-10 yrs. Then stopped Rx.  A/F cement work >3 ointment >3 Rx: in KEM Hospital -I & D.	



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<p>Since 1 year Planter surface of 2<sup>nd</sup> toe of Rt foot.</p> <p>Since 15 days. Rt-Dorsum of foot, ankle, Soles. Progressive<sup>2</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> toe H/o 3 months back Lt. knee H/o in childhood Both lower leg - shaft of tibia. Now at same site.</p> <p>2) Veins: Rt. leg Since 1 yr.</p>	<p>Small in size, 0.5-1cm diameter.</p> <p>Base: White in Colour No granulation tissue.</p> <p>Swelling++</p> <p>Pain+ Burning+ Swelling+ with Redness+</p> <p>Non-healing wound</p> <p>Vesicular Eruptions<sup>2</sup> Discharge: Thick<sup>2</sup> Hyperpigmented Patches<sup>2</sup></p> <p>Varicose<sup>2</sup></p>	<p>Not relived by Rx. &gt;3 Gauthi Rx</p>	
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## ASSOCIATED COMPLAINT

LOCATION	SENSATION	MODALITIES	ACCOMPANIMENTS
<p>1.) RS: Since childhood</p> <p>2.) H/O - Rectum. D: 25-30 yrs F: once / 1-2 wk Since 1 yr &gt;3</p> <p>3) Abdomen H/o 1yr back F: 3 times/Day</p>	<p>K/C/O Bronchial Asthma. Dyspnoea<sup>2</sup> Wheezing<sup>2</sup> Cough.</p> <p>Haemorrhoids Bleeding<sup>2</sup> Profuse<sup>2</sup></p> <p>Colicky pain<sup>2</sup> Bloody stool<sup>2</sup> Profuse<sup>2</sup></p>	<p>&gt;3 after operation, done 1 yr back.</p> <p>&gt;3 Allopathic Rx.</p>	

## PATIENT AS A PERSON:

## A) PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Weight Gain. Ranging from 50 to 62 kgs in last 2-3 yrs. Tall.

Wounds-Healing<sup>3</sup>. No suppurative tendency.

Perspiration: profuse<sup>2</sup>, <2 on exertion, wets the clothes.

Appetite: +. No desire to eat since 1-2 yrs.

Hunger: + since 5-6 months.

Taste: + since 1-2 yrs.

Cravings: Pungent (spicy) <sup>2</sup>, Sweets+

Stool: 2/day, N. Urine: N.

Sleep: disturbed<sup>2</sup> since 1 ½ yrs b/c of financial anxiety.

## LIFE-SPACE INVESTIGATION.

Pt hails from the Muslim community with poor financial condition. They live in Joint Family. Father was a mason, now very weak, so not working since 25 yrs. Pt is eldest child. Since childhood, he has a lot of responsibilities. His sense of responsibilities made him marry late, whereas his younger sibling married early. He is



an anxious person: financial responsibility of the family, for children's educations & future. He gets angry when children don't listen and do not study. He scolds and occasionally beats them.

**REACTION PHYSICAL FACTORS:**

**Thermal:** Fan: S & W-Slow. Covering: S & W - thick. Winter full covering.

**Bath:** hot water -through out year. Cold water bath cause chilliness.

Woolen + in winter.

**Thermal:** C3H2 C4H.

**PAST HISTORY AND FAMILY HISTORY:**

**Mother:** Cancer of lungs, died. **Brother:** leprosy. **Brother2** died of Hepatitis.

**OLD REPORTS AVAILABLE IN HAND:**

**04.03.1994 till 3.2.95. S/B Skin specialist.** Cap Rcin-600, Tab Dapsone-600, am & steroidal applications.

**19.7.96-Tropical ulcer+, Clawing +, edema**

C. Rcin-600 1OD. T. Dapsone -100 1OD, Cap. Minicycline 1 BD.

Tab Betnesol Forte - TDS x 10 days, BD x 10 days, OD x 10 days.

Wokadine oint. Cap Fesovit 1 OD. Continued this Rx till 2.11.96.

**13/07/99 2D-ECHO:** Normal..

**26.08.2000**

**CXR:** collapse of left lower lobe with - hilar shadow on Rt Side .

**Air bronchogram on (Rt.) LL. S/O Cemolidation**

**15/09/2000**

**O/E:** Callosity over @ 2<sup>nd</sup> and (L) 3<sup>rd</sup> toe. Ichthyosis + over shins (L) ulnar claw

**Rx.** H/O DDS monotherapy for 7-8 yrs. MDT - Rcin, CLF , DDS for 1 yr.

C/o small tropical ulcer on tips of toes. Contractures (L) Little finger

**Rx** allopathic.

**10/08/2001**

Non-healing ulcer on the (L) soles since 1 yr. K/c/o Hansen's taken Rx 25yrs ago for 3 yrs. O/E: single 0.5 ones diameter with sclerotic margin seen on the plantar surface of @ toe. Ulnar claw ++ with flexor contractures of (L) little finger. Burnt out case of Hansen's with trophic ulcer.

6-2-02 Homoeopathic Treatment started.

**Rx:** from 6/2/02 to 3/10/02. *Tuberculinum* 1M 1P weekly. *Hepar-sulph* 200 4 hrly

Improvement started immediately. Schedule was maintained and within 8 months: generally he was much better including sleep, appetite : N

1. Non-healing wound >3
2. Progressive Rt. Dorsum of foot >3.
3. Soles pain & burning >2
4. Varicose vein >1
5. RS c/o- >2 had 2 episodes *Ars-alb*-200 QDS.

**CONSTITUTIONAL:** *Silicea* - 30 3P given on 18.9.02 when indication of constitution came up in terms of RS signs and symptoms in form of cold and coryza.

Marked improvement. This treatment is still carrying on.



Let me be thankful for . . .



The pile of laundry and ironing,  
 Because it means I have clothes to wear.  
 Weariness and aching muscles at the end of the day,  
 Because it means I have been capable of working hard.  
 The alarm that goes off in the early morning hours,  
 Because it means that I am alive.

