

# A Case of Double Personality?

Boy aged 8 yrs brought on 8/2/03 with following complaints:

## CHIEF COMPLAINTS

- 1) Frequent cold, cough with high fever & wheezing
- 2) Cold and cough < by change of weather.
- 3) Cold and cough < cold drinks, ice-cream.
- 4) Coughing < sleep in.
- 5) Vomiting due to coughing and choking.

No other associated complaints.

## PHYSICAL GENERAL

APPETITE: Moderate

DESIRE: Spicy food

AVERSION: Vegetables

THERMAL: Hot

SWEAT: + + + Profuse

SLEEP: Restless, cries in sleep, knee-chest position

## MENTAL

1) Obstinate

2) Irritability + + +

3) Weeps during sleep

4) Loves music

5) Plays energetically

I gave him

- 1) *Chamomilla* 200 – Morning, evening
- 2) *Ipecachoua* 200 – afternoon, night for 4-5 days.

After 5 days, mother came to me, she was happy at not having used any antibiotics or inhaler. I prescribed placebo for 15 days but again on 3/3/05, he devel-

oped an acute attack after ice-cream. Again same prescription as previously.

He was relieved absolutely within 2-3 days. His sleep was now sound and crying during sleep was not present. To get permanent cure, I gave his constitutional medicine *Tarentula* 200 -1 dose 8/3/03. After that, for about 2 months he was absolutely fine. On 29/5/03 attack of cold and cough without breathing difficulty. So I gave *Tarentula* 1M 1dose. But again on 4/7/03, 4<sup>th</sup> attack with wheezing. To relieve immediately I gave *acute* as previously.

I NOW re-took the case again., I asked his mother to tell about his mind, nature, behaviour etc. His mother told me that – he always talks and plays about fighting, robbers- police, Spiderman etc. He always says that I am just like the hero, I can fight with gundas. So parents enrolled him in Karate classes. But in karate classes when training for fighting is given, he cries and he cannot fight with even very small and young girls. He is emotional, mild and soft from inside but always talks and plays like a tough man and action hero. So I took this symptom as a double personality and I gave him *Cannabis-indica* 200 1 dose on 15/7/03. After that not even single attack of bronchitis came for about 6 months. On 5/2/04 he got very mild cold and cough with very mild breathing difficulty that was negligible. I gave *Cannabis-indica* 1M 1 Dose. 19 months have passed. He is absolutely fine and alright without any complaint.



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