

Sub – Review of research project on Homoeopathy.

Dear Sir,

With reference to our earlier mail, we would like to bring it to your notice that we have received the material of the said research project from NHS(UK) – The Lancet.

After going through the material we strongly restate that this is not a research project as per any standardized norms. Secondly this project has been conducted by highly inefficient people in an extremely sub standard manner, not worth even taking cognizance of by any of the standard scientific platforms as well as well-reputed newspaper like Times of India.

This may affect the reputation of Times of India. We strongly suggest that before making any statement against well established System of Medicine the editor needs to evaluate the said source of information, its authenticity and trustworthiness.

By publishing the said news Times of India has unnecessarily created baseless misconcepts in the mind of General People. Hence it is the moral responsibility of Times Group to take necessary stapes to CLARIFY this misconception IMMEDIATELY ON FRONT PAGE with equal promptness.

With Regards

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**To,
The Chief Editor,
Times of India/ Indian Express / Loksatta**

Subject: - About challenging the research project and conclusion drawn by the Swiss scientists as published in the Lancet and Times of India dated 27/8/2005

Respected sir,

SEARCH (Society for enhancement and research in classical homoeopathy) is a team of 15 eminent homoeopaths, devoted to scientific research in classical homoeopathy, as per international norms and most modern research techniques.

SEARCH is devoted to care for the patients rather than diseases, with the faculties of observation and the conclusions drawn help this body for the future research in classical homoeopathy. The assessment is as per international standards and norms for every disease.

SEARCH includes highly experienced homoeopaths with an experience of at least 10 to 15 years in the field of classical homoeopathy, dealing with critical cases of various diseases, relieving the patients most skillfully, sometimes even in diseases labeled as irreversible by so called eminent people. Assessment of all these patients is done as per international norms (specified by WHO) about which Lancet must be well aware.

We are highly pleased to know that Lancet has accepted the effects of homoeopathy. But were shocked to read about the research project calling it to be the placebo effect. As it is mentioned in the news of Times of India dated 27/8/2005 the research was carried out only on 110 patients (SEARCH is about to present statistics of 300 critical cases of various malignancies where the results are extremely promising.) never the less it is important to note that no. of people being benefited by homoeopathy all over the world will make at least 50 countries like Switzerland.

- The history of Homoeopathy published in Times of India also needs some additions
- 1832-Cholera epidemic-originated in Russia spreading in Europe.
- 1270 no of patients Treated Homeopathically.
- 1162 –recovered, Death rate was only 10% as compared to death rate of patients receiving conventional treatment which was 60 to 70% Reference -Counselate general's –reports
- 1854- Cholera epidemic in Britain, Death rate was only 16.4% as compared to death rate of patients receiving conventional treatment which was 51.8% Reference -Blue books of statistics-British medical journal.

Will it not sound funny when some body tries to prove that thousands of patients of CHOLERA can be cured with PLACEBO EFFECT, and the authorities of Counselate general's –reports and Blue books of statistics-British medical journal were not efficient enough to confirm the said reports before taking cognizance of them.

Secondly the team of research workers included researchers from University of Bristol, University of Zurich, University of Berne, non of which appear to be Qualified and experienced or established identity in skillful prescribing of homoeopathic medicines (otherwise homoeopathic treatment of most of the muscular problems and Allergies which also includes Asthma, is by and large successful provided that the medicine is prescribed scientifically and skillfully and assessment is perfect).

The conclusions drawn are extremely contradictory and impractical. Results due to holistic experience of the therapy are accepted which is an intricate part of homeopathic treatment in relieving psychological symptoms to a certain extent. It is meaningless to conclude that the specific effect of homoeopathic remedies is weak when pathology can be reverted back with homoeopathic medicines. This has been conclusively proved and reproved in ailments like warts, fibroids, tumors, renal stones, gallstones, scars, as well as many critical conditions as also is being proved in various cancers.

All these issues calling Homoeopathy unscientific are being debated upon since years together, and predicting the future of Homoeopathy despite of which Homoeopathy is spreading world over proving its efficiency. This probably is a step ahead, a meaningless effort, predicting the future of Homoeopathy, based on wrong assessment of 110 patients, probably by wrong people, calling their own failure as failure of Homoeopathy.

1)SEARCH no more wants to keep it a debate but wants to accept the challenge and disprove all the mentioned conclusions while working with them by Putting its most scientific work of about 300 patients of cancer with the results achieved and giving an opportunity to the Swiss research workers to express their views whether these results can be achieved with placebo therapy.

2)The team of SEARCH feels that there is lack of skill and knowledge of homoeopathy while prescribing hence is ready to reassess the same 110 patients to confirm the real causes of failure in the said patients. Most of the times this comes out to be doctors error rather than failure of science.

3)A separate group of patients will be selected as per specifications and SEARCH team will treat those patients and assessment to be carried out by Swiss Researchers.

We sincerely feel and as it appears from the news that this research project is conducted by absolutely inexperienced people on a very small no. of patients, by outdated unscientific research methodology, in a very short span of time. The conclusions have been drawn too early in a hasty manner before the medicines specific effect could be established.

The correspondence is being made with Lancet and the said Swiss Organization in this respect. SEARCH has moved a step ahead and the project's implementation depends upon sincere response from the said Organization.

SEARCH has expressed its sincere wishes for the benefit of people and to avoid spreading of miss concepts about homoeopathy .

The progress in this respect will be informed to times of India from time to time. We expect kind cooperation and equal promptness from Time of India Regarding publishing of the same Material, which is necessary to bring truth in front of people.

**Thanking you
For SEARCH
(Dr. Shailesh Deshpande)**