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Various Views of Stalwarts about Carcinoma and its Miasmatic Analysis

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ABSTRACT

Cancer has now became a burning issue deranging the health of living beings leading to fatal, stressful conditions sometimes resulting into death. Views of various stalwarts help in providing various methods of treatment by knowing the pathophysiology as well as background of cancer. Henceforth, Identifying the impure dogma i.e. Miasmatic analysis of cancer helps in providing curative treatment by anti-miasmatic remedy, and, if not, at least non-injurious palliative treatment and stress-free painless life.

Keywords: Miasmatic analysis, views of stalwarts, cancer, homoeopathy, etc.

1. INTRODUCTION :-

Cancer is a group of diseases that occurs when abnormal cells grow uncontrollably or spread to other parts of the body. The triggering factors of cancer are :-

- Smoking
- Being obese (overweight)
- Genetic tendency (Family history of cancer)
- Virus (certain carcinogenic virus)
- Excessive drinking Alcohol
- Being obese (overweight)
- > Emotional stress and trauma, especially grief, lack of love, anxieties, cares and worries
- carcinogenic substances and influences
- > improper diet, processed and demineralized food, preservatives, artificial colors and other chemicals in food
- Skin damage caused by excessive exposure to ultraviolet radiation
- Unsafe sexual contact (certain sexually transmitted viral infections)
- > Various long standing health conditions such as Ulcerative colitis, Hepatitis C, etc can lead to cancerous condition.

The scope of Homeopathy for cancer management varies depending on the type of cancer, stage of cancer, and the general health of the patient.

2. VARIOUS VIEWS OF STALWARTS REGARDING CANCER :-

2.1 Hahnemannian view :-

The homeopathic perception of cancer is based on a vitalistic approach. Hahnemann clearly stated that life is impossible without the vital force, and referred all the phenomena of health, disease and cure under the names of 'the dynamis' and 'the vital force'.

The vital force is universally present, spiritual and instinctual in nature. It is present everywhere in the organism, embracing the whole person in mind, body and spirit. The vital force is the source of human life and the level at which the causation of diseases originates. Its derangement is the very beginning of the disorder and causes changes in sensations and functions long before there is any visible change in the material substance of the body.

According to Aphorism 11 of 5th edition of organon of medicine :-

"When man falls ill it is at first only this self-sustaining spirit-like vital force (vital principle) everywhere present in the organism which is mistuned by the dynamic influence of the hostile disease agent. It is only this vital force thus mistuned which brings about in the organism the disagreeable sensations and abnormal functions that we call disease."

The vital force is invisible. Its derangement can only be seen by signs and symptoms, whose totality represents the entire extent of the sickness and constitutes their true and only conceivable form. The inability of the vital force to maintain its equilibrium as a consequence of a particular stimulus leads to the alteration in the normal functions of body and mind, and creates mental, emotional and physical symptoms. When the totality of symptoms is removed the disease ceases to exist.

Thus health and disease are only different states of the vital force, and disease is not an entity separated from the living organism. Disease always progresses from functional disturbances to structural changes, and from slight to deep pathological manifestations in the most predisposed regions of the body. Thus, clinical pathological manifestations are only the last stage of the developing disease process, and cancer is not a local disease but a localized expression of the dynamic disease that encompasses the whole subject. A general chronic state always precedes the appearance of cancer.

According to Aphorism 204 of 5th edition of organon of medicine :-

"These chronic miasmatic diseases, if deprived of their local symptom, are inevitably destined by mighty Nature sooner or later to become developed and to burst forth, and thereby propagate all the nameless misery, the incredible number of chronic diseases which have plagued mankind for hundreds and thousands of years, none of which would so frequently have come into existence had physicians striven in a rational manner to cure radically and to extinguish in the organism these three miasms by the internal homeopathic medicines suited for each of them, without employing topical remedies for their external symptoms."

In this way pathological manifestations changed over the years and became much more severe. As the chronic miasms become activated at a much earlier age and increasingly concentrated in each generation, the incidence of cancer is becoming more widespread and develops now even at a very young age.

Cancer, however, is not the same as the cancer miasm. Cancer can occur from any miasmatic constellation. With the cancer miasm, however, all four basic miasms are active. Depending on the patient's miasmatic constellation the cancer will display different characteristics and have a different prognosis.

2.2 Views of J. C. Burnett :-

"The surgical removal of tumors seems to me to be unsatisfactory in every important particular. It only professes to deal with the produce and can never be, even theoretically, a Hunterian cure: the disposition is not even aimed at ! The treatment by the actual cautery gets rid of the superficial effect – the product – the cause is not even considered at all."

The mere removal or destruction of the cancer neither affects the vital process which lead to its manifestation, nor does it touch the patient's predisposition towards cancerous diseases, which is why the tumor can recur elsewhere and even be more malignant than before.

2.3 Views of J. H. Allen :-

"The more profound the suppression, the larger and deeper the new manifestation or disease process. Each subsequent suppression includes more vital centers or organs ... In this way abnormal growth appears or a new disease process develops, which is being classified as a new disease by pathologists."

2.4 Views of J. T. Kent :-

"The man who believes that he is directing his remedies against germs, or against worms, or against a tumor the patient may have, is in extreme darkness, if he cannot perceive that a healthy man will have healthy tissue, healthy blood, and therefore there can be no soil for germs and worms or morbid growth."

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3. MIASMATIC ANALYSIS OF CANCER :-

"The absolute of the disease is the miasmatic impact." J.H.Allen

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Hahnemann distinguished between acute, half-acute and chronic miasms. True chronic miasms modify the course of acute diseases and establish a permanent field for chronic diseases. They arise from contagion, which creates the miasmatic state, or diathesis, and forms a chronic predisposition to a characteristic form of disease both in respect to dysfunctions and to the lesions themselves. The vital force is unable to eradicate chronic miasms, even not with the most robust constitution, healthiest life-style or best diet.

Hahnemann defined three primary chronic miasms; Psora, Sycosis and Syphilis, after having found patterns of these diseases in the patients and their family histories after twelve years of research into unsolved chronic cases. As with psora, sycosis and syphilis, the tubercular miasm also has a related micro-organism in the primary stage of the chronic disease. The cancer miasm is usually defined as a miasmatic constellation in which all four basic miasms are active.

Following are the manifestations of cancer, differentiated and analyzed into various miasmatic background

5. Psora dominant active miasm:

- > Psora is the fundamental, underlying cause for all diseases and miasms
- > It is responsible for deficiency which leads to hypo-immunity
- The lowered immunity makes the person susceptible to continuous physical and/or emotional irritation which may finally lead to the development of cancer
- > It provides the irritation as a factor for the development of cancer
- > Continued local irritation slackens the cell-controlling power to its utmost capacity until it ultimately snaps and breaks
- > Especially general irritations of various kinds, such as mental strain, anxieties, worries, excess of work etc.
- > The greater the general irritation or strain, the less local irritation is necessary to break the cell control
- Slowly growing tumors are characteristic
- They are often benign
- > Patients with a predominantly psoric cancer can live a long time
- Burnett points out the detrimental effect of suppressing skin diseases and silencing cutaneous discharges for the development of tumors and cancer

6. Sycosis dominant active miasm:

- > Sycosis stimulates proliferation, hypertrophy and overgrowth
- > These tumors may be benign and encapsulated in the beginning, but become malignant as the cells proliferate out of proportion
- Rapidly growing tumors are characteristic
- J.H. Clarke opines that sycosis seems to favor surface tumors, and that the gouty diathesis in particular seems to favor tumor formation of the epithelial type
- J.H. Allen warns that the suppression of sycotic skin diseases favors the development of cancer, especially when psora was strong or the tubercular miasm present

7. Syphilis dominant active miasm:

- > Syphilis is responsible for destruction, cell breakdown, disintegration and degeneration
- > Syphilis contributes the destructive component with the necrotic, degenerative growth and ulceration of the cancer
- > It has far-reaching effects, perhaps especially selecting the harder tissues and the nervous system
- > The malignant property of the cells leads to necrosis followed by pus formation and fistulous openings in the tumor
- Cancers based on genetic mutation are syphilitic
- Cancer spreads quickly after the onset of some little pain, demonstrating the destruction and hiding of the syphilitic miasm, and rapid growth of sycosis

8. Tubercular dominant active miasm:

- > Adds an aggressive component, and the nodular and degenerative tubercles that may lead to cancer of the lung or at other sites
- > It is responsible for migration and hemorrhage; the disintegrated and degenerated cells hemorrhage and then migrate resulting in metastasis
- > Seems to lead chiefly to the connective tissue type of tumor according to J.H. Clarke

9. CONCLUSION :-

Homoeopathy Medicines can be certainly of great value in the better management of Cancer patients with or without conventional therapies. It enhances the Immune system with its individualized, genetic medicines which will further lead to slowing down the growth and spread of cancer in the body. It will also reduce the frequency and intensity of associated pain, sufferings and complications.

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