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Abstract

Spagyrics or Plant Alchemy has been regarded as a cultural tradition, the purpose of the spagyric treatment is to dissolve the internal powers of a plant through the respective mixture of the purified three basic alchemical principles Salt, Sulphur and Mercury and make them therapeutically usable as a medicinal force. This article describes spagyrics and other philosophies that have been used for Centuries.

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Od Force is the cosmic life force that animates and circulates throughout creation; natural electromagnetic energy of the infinite universe consisting of positive, negative and neutral charges which build and sustain the human body and all other matter. Everyone is surrounded by an electromagnetic field, and this field is called an aura. The aura has been depicted throughout history in literature and paintings. Angel pictures show it as a halo; pictures of Jesus often depict a light around his head. Auras are not unique to angels and religious leaders, however; a field of energy surrounds us all. This is called Prana in Ayurveda, meaning primary energy. It is sometimes translated as breath or vital force, though it is more than these. This life force energy is represented as qi (chi) in traditional Chinese medicine. The homeopathic notion of the Vital Force is a spirit-like essence that animates a living organism. In homeopathy, disease is considered to originate as a disruption of the vital force. Symptoms produced are thought to reflect the nature of the disruption. It is an innate intelligence that is not entirely physical or spiritual.

As there is order to the universe based on energy, so must our internal order or Vital Force energy be in balance. When it is not, disease results and symptoms develop. Symptoms of disease are an outer expression of our inner disrupted Vital Force. These symptoms are helpful clues to which areas of our body need attention. The body has the ability to heal itself and this knowledge is within all of our cells or neuro-immuno-endocrine system as physiologists say.

Most traditional healing practices posited that disease was

the result of some imbalance in the vital energies which distinguish living from non-living matter. Alchemical practices and philosophy can be found in all the world's great traditional medical systems like Ayurveda, Siddha, Spagyric Medicine, etc. In this article author traces the source and relationship of Spagyrics with sacred hindu tantric philosophy (Sexual Alchemy) and practices, and the extent to which they contributed to significant changes in medical science.

Figure 1



Philosophy and Discussion

'That in whom reside all beings and who resides in all beings, who is the giver of grace to all, the Supreme Soul of the universe, the limitless being ; I am that' – Upanishad.

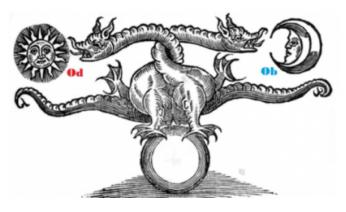
Figure 2



Masculine and Feminine -

the polar opposite forces deeply rooted in several of the Eastern traditions, is the understanding that the Feminine flows, radiates, and embraces, whereas the Masculine penetrates and is anchored, totally still, in its transcendence of that which moves. Alternately it is said that the Masculine is the emptiness of (ego) death while the Feminine is the fullness of life (death and life, Shiva and Shakti in Hinduism).

Figure 3



In Alchemy, we can see the Masculine as a triangle and the Feminine as a circle. In the top cosmic force symbolized by eye of the God. (The Incubation of the Phoenix By Gyeorgos C. Hatonn).

According to hermetic philosophy, Od is masculine force related to Sun and the universe is feminine force Ob related to moon (The Secret Gate to Eden: Alchemy, Tantra, and Kabbalah in the Mysteries of Adam and Eve, Thelema Press.)

Italian Alchemist Count Cesare Mattei has illustrated the concept of Od Force from the book of Reichenbach (as stated by Count Cesare in the "vademecum" XI Edition of 1937).

'Od' has been referred to as Chi (Chinese Medicine) or KI (Japanese Medicine) or Prana (Yoga and Ayurvedic Medicine) or Vis Medicatrix Naturae viz. Healing Force of Nature (Spagyric Medicine) or Anima Mundi means World' Soul (Spagyric Medicine) . It's existence has been described by all ancient medicine, including Chinese, Tibetan, Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani, and Alchemy.

Figure 4



The concept of the polarities of the body (Yin and Yang – Minus and Plus) is identical to several Traditional Medicines and the points for external application is identical to Chinese Meridian points or Ayurvedic "Siras" (Ayurvedic Marma therapy points).

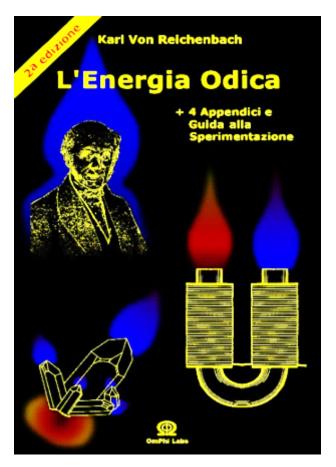
The Odic influence of the remedies in TCM or Ayurveda or Alchemy is because the quantic information that have stored in the plant cells, by the energy stored in the remedies made from the plants, that an electric cellular reaction occurs, even stimulated by the active principles existing in the remedy. The magnetic waves reach the cell, the cell in turn has an electric reaction and the healing occurs in great or partial form.

The Oersted's principle, duly recognized by the Modern Physics, says: "Where a magnetic phenomenon exists, an electric force manifest ever as well, and vice- versa".

In TCM or Ayurveda or Alchemical (Spagyric) remedies the information or 'Od' remains stored in the same way as in normal homoeopathic medicine, and this information was given to the sick individuals at the homoeopathic level, through the "energetic information window".

Just as our physical (organic) body is made up of individual cells, grouped into various organs, our mind too is made up of a large number of tiny intelligent units that are ordered into various groups with individual 'windows' according to their energy patterns. As per David Cohen of MIT brain radiates bio-electrical impulses that neurons employ to communicate with one another. (Principles & Art of Cure in EH by Dr Debasish Kundu, Page 55, IBPS, New Delhi, 1991)

Figure 5



The Concept of Temperament originated in ancient Egypt or Mesopotamia, but it was Hippocrates (460-370 BC) who developed it into a medical theory.

Galen (AD 131-200) developed the first typology of temperament in his dissertation 'De temperaments', and searched for physiological reasons for different behaviors in humans.

He mapped them to a matrix of hot/cold and dry/wet taken from the Four Elements. In the ideal personality, the complementary characteristics or warm-cool and dry-moist were exquisitely balanced. Galen named "sanguine", "melancholic", "choleric" and "phlegmatic" after the bodily humors. Each was the result of an excess of one of the humors that produced, in turn, the imbalance in paired qualities.

Galen Matrix of Humors:

Wet

Dry

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Hot	Air/blood	Fire/yellow bile	
Cold	Water/phlegm	Earth/black bile	

Basically, extroverts are "hot", introverts are "cold". Peoplefocused are "wet", and task- focused are "dry". Taskfocused people tend to be more "dry" in speech. Peopleoriented extroverts tend to be "polite".

Figure 6



Galen also discussed moderate points on the scale, between hot and cold, and warm and dry, yielding five "balanced" temperaments, including one in the center that is balanced in both scales.

Avicenna (980-1037 AD) extended the theory of temperaments to encompass "emotional aspects, mental capacity, moral attitudes, self-awareness, movements and dreams". (Materia Medica and Practice of Medicine in Electro Homoeopathy by Dr Debasish Kundu, Page 31-32, Originals, New Delhi, 2017 www.Lppindia.com)

Of all the traditional medical systems being practiced today, Greek Medicine has the most in common with Ayurveda,

Spagyrics and TCM. These systems are constitutionally based, and deal with the relative balance of certain vital fluids or humors. Each humor or dosha has its own basic constitutional type, and mixed types exist.

Ayurveda says body functions because it contains three doshas or principles, namely movement (vata), transformation (pitta) and lubrication and stability (kapha). The doshas correspond to the Western classification of humors; bile, phlegm and wind. In Greek Medicine, the Four Humors are the metabolic agents of the Four Elements in the human body. The right balance and purity of them is essential for maintaining health.

The Four Humors and the elements they serve are as follows:

BLOOD - AIR PHLEGM - WATER YELLOW BILE - FIRE BLACK BILE - EARTH

All four of these humors, or vital fluids, are present in the bloodstream in varying quantities.

Below is a graphical presentation of the humors:

Table 1

Homeopathy	Van GrauvogI	Spagyrics (Count Mattei)	Dhanwantarti
Syphilis	Oxygenoid	Sanguine	Pitta(Bile)
Sycosis	Hydrogenoid	Lymphatic	Vayu(Wind)
Psora	Carbonitrogenoid	Mixed	Kapha (Phlegm)

In the three humours, Kapha is the element of Earth and Water and any aggravation of Kapha is responsible for contamination of the vital body fluids and cells and tissues, thereby development of autoimmune diseases or morbid growth. The main purpose of Traditional Medicines is to weaken the Kapha by nature generating heat and thus restore balance.

In India the Vedic therapeutic methods date back to the prehistoric era. Many Chinese travelers who came to India to learn Sanskrit at Nalanda and Takshashila Universities have written extensively about the local treatment techniques including sacred Tantric practices, Ayurveda, and the fiveelement theory, which were not only practiced in India but also taught to foreigners. The acupuncture or needling therapy has been described as Marma chikitsa in ancient Ayurvedic books. Many historical texts are available in the University of Leningrad library (USSR) regarding the Indian origins of Acupuncture.

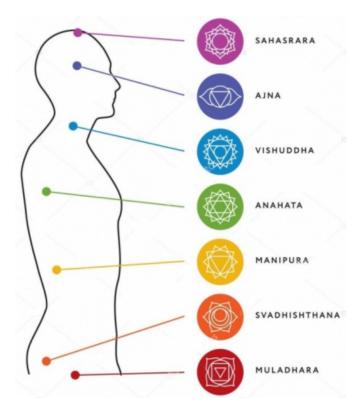
According to Indian philosophy, "Prana Shakti" (Chi or vital energy) is the basis of life. This vital energy is also known as "Kundalini". This is the serpent power. This power is in a coiled form.

When stimulated or evoked by special practices called "Sadhana," it gets uncoiled and in effect begins to retrace its path to its parental source Prana and mind which depend on the two opposite charges of yin and yang operating on different levels on the physical, astral, and psychic. When these opposite charges unite on a particular plane, it results in another set of duality of charges on the next subsequent level. All kundalini charakas or plexuses are situated at the same place where acupuncture points are described.

Nagarjuna, an Indian metallurgist and alchemist, born at Fort Daihak near Somnath in Gujarat in 931. He wrote the very first treatise Rasaratnakara that deals with alchemical preparations.

Spagyrics is ancient healing art which has undergone 500 years of trial, research and practice. Paracelsus the famous Swiss physician, Philosopher and alchemist is regarded as the founder of spagyrics, but it was almost forgotten until the 19th century.

Figure 7



Dating from the times of Paracelsus, the terms spagyric and spagyrism are derived from the Greek verbs "span (to seperate) and ageirein (to unify). They designate the art of creating medications of enhanced efficacy by performing the two fundamental alchemical operations. The valuable portions are first separated from those which are impure processed and subsequently reunited to yield an improved medicinal form (Spagyrische Arzneimittel - Pharmazie und Alchemie der Neuzeit by Axel Helmstädter). The source materials of spagyric medicines are exclusively from botanical origin. Spagyric remedies act through the neuroimmune-endocrine system and pathways nurturing the reactivity of patient to have the energy to regain his health. By infinitesimal doses, at concentrations similar to those operating their own metabolism regulatory molecules, hormones, neurotransmitters, etc.

Around the turn of the last century the Italian herbalist Count Cesare Mattei (1809-1896) rediscovered the lost spagyric art and founded the therapeutics system known as Electrohomoeopathy.

The German physician Dr Carl Friedrich Zimpel (1801-1879) made a notable contribution to this area of natural medicine. At the age of 70 after his key experiences with Count Cesare Mattei (1809-1896), Zimpel published his 'Medical home treasury', an exhaustive body of information on spagyric healing art.

Figure 8



After the death of Cesare Mattei and Carl Friedrich Zimpel, their work was forgotten until it was rediscovered in Germany around 1930. Following that, Spagyric had an official place in Europe and in the German Pharmacopoeia.

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