

A case of Autism Spectrum Disorder treated with TUBERCULINUM **(homeopathy)**

I feel a sense of pleasure writing about his case. Today I received this child, now 8 yrs in age, whom I had first seen when he was 4yr old. The parents came with a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder, labelled by a highly prestigious institute, where he also had been evaluated on various parameters. The child had learning difficulties, delayed developmental milestones, and was very aggressive and restless. The child was speaking single words barely, he had no eye contact and had no control over urination even at night. The bowels were severely constipated. He desired cold drinks, which he would ask using sign language. The mother had been treated for tuberculosis just before her pregnancy. Tuberculinum 10m 1 dose was administered. During the next few months, he gradually started making eye contact, started speaking two letter sentences, and calmed down remarkably. For acute complaints he was given various short acting medicines in between. By the time he was 5 and 1/2yrs old, the father admitted him in a regular 1st standard despite advice otherwise, he nevertheless coped decently in his class and was compatible with peers. He was given cal phos 1m, 1 dose at this point for some headaches that he complaint. Further follow up was lost for 2 yrs due to coronavirus pandemic. When the child turned up in OPD today, not only did he greet confidently, he shared his new found interests with me. There is still a stammer in the voice and the child is finding languages (he is learning 3 languages simultaneously in school) difficult to pick up. He, however has a keen analytical mind, is very good in mathematics and has highly developed analytical thinking (according to the father he is able to solve puzzles which he himself cannot solve). There have been few advices given to parents related to his academics, and furthering his interests in computers and mathematics. Notwithstanding, it was a delight to meet the child and marvel at the science of homeopathy, something which we haven't been able to still figure out as to how it works. Is it a gene expression modulation!!

Explanation

A history of tuberculosis, delayed and disharmonized development, great desire for cold drinks were few of natural indications for Tuberculinum. It has not completed the whole cure but did definitely nudged the development in right direction. The child still needs treatment and lot of supportive therapies but he has come a long way from where we started.

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