

A Case of Scabies treated with SULPHUR (Homeopathy)

This is a case of a mother and daughter who came with severe itching all over body. They had lesions predominantly on hands and legs. There was severe burning following scratching with bleeding from here and there. The complaint started after they visited some place. Scabies was suspected and was confirmed by dermatologic consult.

The child was given SULPH 200/ 2 doses, second to be repeated only if first fail to show improvement within 3 days. The child took the second dose as well and felt much better. 15 days after 1st prescription another 2 doses were given with similar instructions. This time only 1 dose was needed and eruptions subsided completely at the end 1st month. (3 doses- 1st day, 4th day, 16th day).

The mother was given SULPH 30/ 3 doses every 5 days as she had more severe lesions with instruction to repeat only if improvement stops. She took all the 3 doses and felt much better at the end of 15 day. She was given just one dose of SULPH 30 on second follow up. At the end of 1st month only occasional itching was left and all lesions had disappeared. She was given SULPH 200 to complete the case.

Both of them were also given AZADIRACHTA INDICA Q 5 drops / to be put in a bucket of water and bathe with it.

They were also advised to wash their clothes separately, after being soaked in hot soapy water for some time.

The husband was given SULPH 200 prophylactically to prevent infection and was also asked to sleep separately from the affected family members.

Explanation

Scabies is a highly contagious to close contacts. The fact that both mother and daughter showed symptoms indicated towards a contagious diagnosis. It therefore is of paramount importance that not only is the patient treated but care also be taken, that it does not spread to other members. Thus, the knowledge and importance of diagnosis helps a homeopath take pre-emptive steps not only in treatment but also in prevention.

They did not show any constitutional symptoms. The itching of body with burning that follows, is pathognomic of SULPH, hence sulphur was prescribed. Azadirachta was given (in very high dilution of bathing) to locally cleanse the lesion and prevent any secondary infection.

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