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Homeopathy Repertory- A Review

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Abstract-

Homoeopathic Repertory is a dictionary or index of symptoms together with the modalities. Basically repertory plays a major role of linking materia medica and the diseases. Every symptom entry or feature is named as a RUBRIC. A rubric may have a number of method such as weather, time, and so on, and all of such entries forms a SUB-RUBRIC.

Repertories are very extensive and defined as a methodically array index in the materia medica.

Key word: Repertory, Homeopath, Medical, Materia-Medica, Disease.

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Introduction-

Homoeopathy Repertory is a form of organized book of alphabetized symptoms of the Homoeopathic Materia Medica formed in a definitive manner with or without gradation to commend the selection of Similimum. Any person may have a sharp memory for remedies and rubrics, but a repertory is indeed a must have book for homoeopaths. Repertory is very advantageous and the only amplitude to cicerone a homoeopathic physician while in

choosing the most suitable medicine in the difficult or complicated cases.

Rubric: Origin from Latin Word “Rubrica “

- Reportorial expression of symptoms.
- Caption or heading used in repertory.

Sub- Rubric: Modification of rubric.

Sub- Sub Rubric: Rubric below Sub- Rubric.

Gradation: To Give Value to the symptom here.

Repertorisation:-

Repertorisation is the mode which is used by the homoeopathic physician to analyze the

sufferer symptoms and compare with the different medicines that may be appropriate and accordingly prescribe to the medicines that are necessary to benefit the patient.

Advantage	Disadvantage
Aid to study Materia Medica	Every authors pursue distant Philosophy
Aid to find the Similimum	None of the repertory is replete
Helpful as a reference book and for 2nd opinion	Distinct Gradation of distinct repertories
Synthesis of new rubrics	In chronic case, constitutional symptoms are not been provided
Aid in Case Taking and to find out symptoms	Lack of hegemony regarding dose, potency, and repetition

Repertories in homoeopathy can be presented in the below mentioned forms:

- (a) Book
- (b) Card
- (c) Mechanical aided

Number of repertories are available named as: Kent, Boericke, Boenninghausen, Clarke, Barthel etc

- The ideal work that forms on the basis of global use in the homeopathy medicine is named as Kent's Repertory
- Computer repertories are also available, but it is decisive to have an indispensable knowledge of the book, before one can use computer version.

• Synthesis is the most commonly used book repertory.

A. **Kent's Repertory**:- came out first about 1900 in paper fascicles, one for each major section of the book. based on Philosophy of 'Deductive Logic' For Example:

Anxiety has 417 remedies

Anxiety, morning has 54 remedies

Anxiety, morning, waking on, has 30 remedies

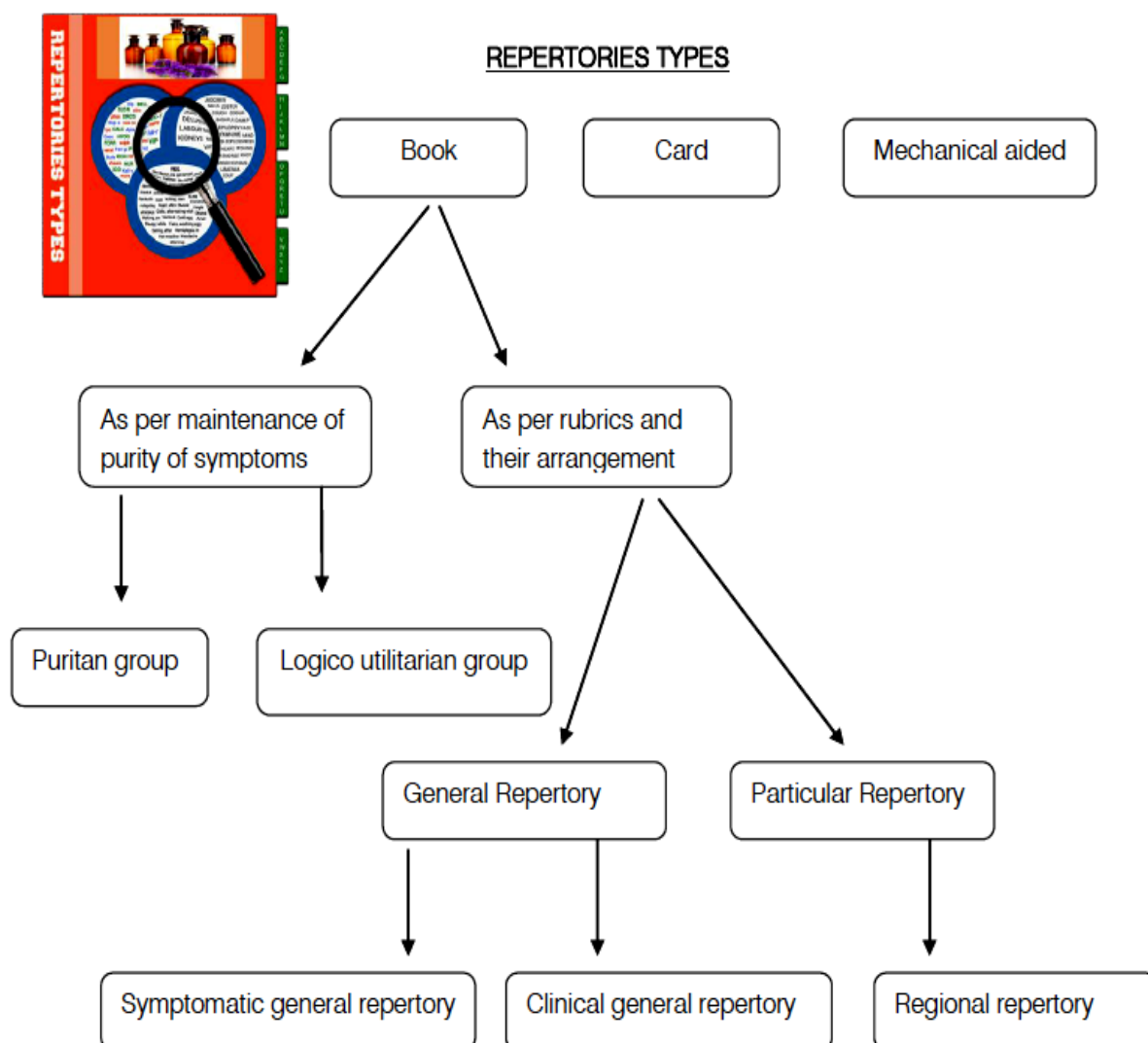
B. **Boenninghausen's Repertory**:- based on the philosophy of 'Grand Generalisation'

C. **Synthesis**:- by Frederik Schroyens, Most famous and respected modern repertory in print form.)

D. **Homeopathic Clinical Repertory**:- by Robin Murphy, (Modern repertory and it is alphabetically organized rather than the model developed by Kent and others. This repertory have some unique sections that not one repertory has, including modern pathology terminology and the toxicological exposures)

Factors- Need to consider while referring the Repertory

1. **Remedies selection** : Carefully make a note of patient's all the Symptoms, along with the mental state, and aspect of the disease, as regards its amelioration according to the circumstances, time, and so on; and then continue to collect from under the heads of the various organs, sensations, functions, and so on.
2. **Potencies**: The medicines have been used by the homeopath at the different Potencies, from the Mother tinctures, to the two thousandth attenuation.



3. **Administration of medicines :** Care should be taken about the administration of medicines
4. **Repetition of the doses:** Depends and vary as per the nature of the disease and case prospects, therefore much must depend on the prudence and discrimination of the administrator.
5. **Changing of medicines:** It is very much important that the laymen, and starters in the field of Homoeopathy, should guard against a too incessant change of the medicines.

6. **On diet:** All the articles of drinks and diet, which consist of medicinal properties, are strictly restricted under the Homoeopathic treatment

Homoeopathic Treatment Basic Rule-

it is most important that, under the Homoeopathic treatment, to prescribe the absolute requirement of guarding against all extraneous influences which may have a tendency to nullify or counteract the effects of the medicines as medicated baths and poultices, the smelling of cologne, camphor, flowers, perfumes and so on to be avoided.

Patient's room should be well ventilated, and should be kept free from all kind of odors.

Conclusion

Repertory is the most useful support for homeopaths and supports in a primary way as index to the Materia Medica and in a Secondary way as in the Elimination of non-indicated medicines

Tenner quotes **J. H. Clarke** as saying It is impossible to practice homoeopathy as it should be practised without the help of Repertories.”

Ewart writes,“If Repertorisation were more widely practised it may be that Homoeopathy would forge (to more steadily) ahead and occupy a more exalted place in therapeutics than its present humble one.”

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