

# **Intermittent & Alternating Diseases**

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# Intermittent & Alternating Diseases

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Aphorism 231 to 244

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# Aphorism From 231 to 244 in 6<sup>th</sup> edition of Organon of Medicine

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1. Intermittent & Alternating Diseases – Aph 231, 232
2. The periodical Intermittent Diseases- Aph233, 234
3. The intermittent Fevers – Aph 235 to 244

# Intermittent & Alternating Diseases. Aph 231-234<sup>4</sup>

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- Intermittent disease are those that recur at certain periods e.g, a great variety of intermittent fevers and the apparently non febrile affections that recur at interval like intermittent fever.

# Alternating diseases

## Aph 232

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- Are those in which certain symptoms- syndrome alternate uncertain interval with symptoms- syndrome of different kind
- 2/3 states may alternate with one another – Footnote no .127

- E.g., certain pain in legs etc., immediately on the disappearance of a kind of Ophthalmia ...

# Treatment of Intermittent & Alternating Diseases

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- Both these types belong to the class of chronic diseases
- They are generally manifestation of developed Psora alone
- Sometimes but seldom complicated with syphilitic miasm

# Treatment

## Aph 232

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- Former case may be cured by Antipsoric treatment
- And other one to be treated according to the general instruction for treating chronic diseases

# Typical intermittent diseases

## Aph233

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- Are those in which a fixed set of symptoms recurs at fixed intervals.
- Between the attacks patient is apparently healthy.

# Lucid Interval

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- Between the attacks of intermittent fever the patient is apparently healthy, Without showing any signs and symptoms that period is called as **Lucid Interval**.

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graph TD; A[Typical] --- B[Non-febrile  
Apho 234]; A --- C[Febrile  
Apho 235-244]
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Typical

Non-febrile

Apho 234

Febrile

Apho 235-244

# Non febrile fever

febrile Aph 234

Character- non febrile, typical,  
periodically recurring morbid states

Observed in individual cases

Always belongs to chronic diseases  
mostly psoric & occasionally  
complicated with syphilitic miasm

# Treatment

- Antipsoric treatment
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- Anti syphilitic treatment are to be followed in the respective cases
  - Use china in potency to stop permamntly the intermittent type of these disease.

# Febrile intermittent fever 35-244

## A Sporadic

Epidemic not those  
sporadically located  
in marshy areas  
aph235

B Epidemic in non  
marshy areas

C Pernicious  
type marshy  
area apho 243

D Residences  
in marshy areas  
apho244

## A. Sporadic /epidemic intermittent disease

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Febrile paroxysms consisting of 2/3 alternating stage e.g., cold, heat-cold still more frequently cold, heat ,sweat cold to be taken into account as a unit.

# Treatment

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- Common, acute remedies but not Antipsoric
- Either able to produce symptoms to be the strongest best marked & peculiar alternating state

# Time of administration of the remedy

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- Immediately or very soon after the termination of the paroxysms
- Stage of apyrexia of very short interval medicine may be administered during decline period of the paroxysms

# Repetition of medicine

- Single dose of the best selected ~~remedy stops paroxysms and cures~~ the patient.
- Sometimes same medicine in the same potency has to be administered after each attack

**Paroxysms  
recurring**

**2 Reasons**

**Morbific agent  
(Marshy district)**

Repeat the medicine

**Removal of  
Morbific agent**

Cure take  
place

No cure

**Psora in back**

Latent Psora

**Antipsoric  
treatment**

Cure

# Epidemic where non are endemic (epidemic in non marshy district)

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Are of chronic disease

Are composed of single acute  
paroxysms

Peculiar uniform character, common  
to all individuals attack by the  
epidemic disease.

# Treatment

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- Genus Epidemicus Aph 241- who where not chronic sufferings. Who were healthy before epidemic indicating that they were not psoric.

**Aph  
241**

**Genus epidemicus**

**Untreated  
by  
Allopathy**

**Genus epidemicus  
fails**

**Latent  
Psora  
developed  
Aph 242**

**High potency of  
sulphur/Hepar  
sulph**

## C .Pernicious Intermittent disease not Resident in a marshy place

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- Treatment like acute cases
- If indicated remedy s to be fails,  
previous psoric infection to be  
suspected & Antipsoric drugs are  
to be employed

## D. Endemic resident in marshy place (Aph 244)

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- A perfectly healthy observing all hygienic & dietetic rule may escape attack with this type of disease & become immune to the particular infection

Immune to  
infection

Catches infection

Potentised  
dose of China

Marshy area

Psora  
background

Antipsoric  
treatment

# Thank you

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