

THE THERAPEUTIC RELATIONSHIP PATTERNS OF “REMEDIES” AND THEIR IMPACT ON TREATMENT CHOICE AND OUTCOME

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Abstract

The Therapeutic Relationship is of crucial importance in Homeopathy: it influences significantly the quality and quantity of information that is necessary for the therapist to make a successful remedy choice and treatment.

Any patient's individual psychopathology that impairs his relating ability, will influence the quality of the therapeutic relationship in its very specific way.

Each patient's symptomatology (including the mental one) is given the name of the remedy able to cure it. Homeopaths refer to “Sulphur type of pathology”, but also to “Sulphur type of patients” or “Sulphur patients” or just ‘Sulphurs’, meaning patients characterized by symptoms that can be cured by the certain remedy.

The specific negative influence that certain polychrest remedies' “types of patients” might have on the quality of the therapeutic relationship and its outcome, is examined and evaluated for the first time in homeopathic literature. Ways to overcome consequent difficulties are presented