Allopathy Versus Homeopathy: A Never Ending Tacit War

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The debate between the effectiveness of homeopathy and allopathy, although never ending, raises many questions in favor of former and in the disfavor of latter. Most important being that if homeopathy is a non-effective pseudoscience then why is that even in this modern era of science and technology a great many number of people are favoring homeopathy\(^9,10\). Quite astonishing fact is that the number of people consulting homeopaths is increasing rapidly the most probable reason is the side effects of allopathic medicines. The number of homeopathic hospitals and clinics are opening rapidly.

People today are asking why the allopathy, although based on empirical basis, has not been able to completely cure diabetes, hepatitis, arthritis and many diseases even after advancement of science to an unfathomable level. People ask if the microbes are the only reason for patient’s illness and life. Homeopaths consider it important to treat a subject as a whole rather curing the signs/symptoms that cause disease. Allopathic medicines attempt to alleviate the symptoms of disease by attacking/afflicting the natural defense of body whereas the homeopathy embraces the body’s natural response system by either encouraging the symptoms of healing or attacking the root cause of the illness.

Allopathic medicines (sometimes also referred to as orthodox medicine or conventional medicine) are considered as medicines that really work. This field of medicine is active in coping with as well challenging core concepts ingrained in minds of major population in general and physicians in particular. One such example is that of an old hypothesis that ulcers are caused by stress that remained prevalent for decades until a doctor finally managed to persuade others that it’s caused by a particular bacterial infection by infecting himself and getting ulcers.

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ulcer than why antimicrobial drugs are rendered futile for its treatment. Why the microbes develop immunity against allopathic medicines only? Most importantly, if the only way to cure a disease is by fighting symptoms why the subjects suffering from tension, depression and associated diseases are cured by mediation and why is the number of deaths caused by allopathic treatments always overweighs that of homeopathy!

Although the practitioners of alternative/conventional medicines tend not to accept the label of being allopaths [11] but changing the name or considering a label pejorative does not change the scenario!

Today the allopaths (aka conventional practitioners) have to understand that symptoms in any part of body affect the body as a whole either in direct or indirect manner. The prime importance a physician must pay is to patient not symptoms. It appears that although the war between the practitioners of homeopathy and allopathy will continue but one thing for sure that homeopathy will not be the runner up!

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