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Editor’s Note

Dr. Renzo Galassi
LMHI secretary for Newsletter
and LMHI President of Honor

A few words to express my pleasure for a new issue of the LMHI Letter after so long time of pause (2019-2022) due to Covid pandemic and the absence of Events, such as the LMHI world Congress.

Fortunately last December we could have an online Mega event, the LMHI Colloquium, with more than 4000 participants and a high quality level of the papers.

This issue of the LMHI Letter has as new Editor Dr. Andrea Flores Sanchez, a young colleague from Mexico, third generation of Homeopaths, her grandfather was the great Master, the late Dr. Proceso Sanchez Ortega. She is a very enthusiastic and active physician, a young teacher of Homeopathy and a good student of our Master S. Hahnemann. To her our best wishes for this new challenge. Of course all the Working group on Newsletter will help and collaborate with her for a good result of this new edition of our journal for the LMHI members and for the public.

Good luck.
Renzo Galassi
Editor’s Note

Dr. Andrea Flores Sánchez

Dear Colleagues,

this is the first time that I am participating as editor and person responsible for the LMHI Letter/News thanks to the invitation of the Secretary of the Newsletter, Dr. Renzo Galassi.

With the advice of the President of the LMHI, Dr. Gustavo Cataldi, the Vice president, Dr. Altunay Agaoglu and the valuable members of the Newsletter working group we decided to change the outline and content of the Liga Letter. It intends to be for all public, have enthusiastic and positive information about Homeopathy and to show what is happening with Homeopathy around the world. We want the readers to enjoy the reading.

The type of texts you will find in these next Letters are news about countries regarding Homeopathy, interviews of notable homeopaths or personalities related to Homeopathy, texts of practitioners sharing their experience with Homeopathy, reports of national and international congresses, Hahnemann day reports, among others.

We would like to invite you to collaborate in the Liga Letter with articles that are of interest to the general public and to the homeopathic community. Please send your comments, suggestions and articles to my email:

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Thank you for reading,

Andrea Flores Sánchez
Editorial

LIGA Letter

JANUARY 2022

We have finished another difficult year for the world in general and for the community of homeopaths in particular. The year 2021 will be remembered in continuity with 2020 as “the years of the Covid-19 pandemic”.

LMHI had to postpone its annual Congress again, given the restrictions that were imposed on the movement of people among countries.

To manage this, we counted on the good will of the representatives of Colombia, Bangladesh and Mexico, who very generously agreed to postpone their respective Congresses, despite the fact that this probably caused organizational problems. And now we hope that in September 2022 finally we can all meet in Istanbul, Turkey, to celebrate our annual Congress.

Since the wait was so long, the LMHI Board planned a virtual meeting. This is how the idea of the I Global Colloquium was born, which took place from December 10 to 12, 2021, a true online homeopathy marathon. Apart from the fact that this first Homeopathy marathon organized by LMHI was a success in attendance and organization, it has also been a success in the exchange of proposals.

There were 4,463 attendees, and speakers from 63 countries who presented many interesting papers, enriching for many.

Participants learned from Round tables, presentations on new research in homeopathy, dentistry and agrohomeopathy, and heard new approaches in understanding the action and preparation of homeopathic remedies.

As expected, a frequent theme was the Covi-19 pandemic and its treatment by homeopathy.

There were also poster presentations, whose awards are listed on the Colloquium website.
Likewise, for a greater participation of the attendees, space was given to the presentation of artistic themes in parallel to the event.

At LMHI we are very satisfied with the results obtained.

To think about a colloquium is to meditate on a possible dialogue. Indeed, that is the original meaning of the Latin term “colloquium”: “conversation”. Proposing dialogue in a homeopathy event is to stimulate the exchange of personal experiences, to present our own observations in the research or practice of our art, and be attentive to what our colleagues can contribute.

Our intention for this Colloquium was to make the work of the Liga more visible, as well as useful for bringing together and inviting many who did not know us.

We want to strengthen the Liga to achieve another type of dialogue with the international medical communities. Firstly, concerning the WHO, to achieve a stronger position of integration, within the T&CM, as we are cataloged in WHO. Secondly, to make our voice louder and more strongly felt before the health or government authorities of each country when there are questions about homeopathy.

For this we need the active conduct of our National Vice-presidents and also of you, dear reader.

Recalling that phrase by John F. Kennedy when he was president of the USA, “Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country.”, I also propose not to be passive in this crusade in favor of our beloved Homeopathy, and become more involved in LMHI activities.

Kind regards from Buenos Aires, Argentina
Dr. Andrea R. Flores Sánchez
June, 2021

Dr. Radhey Shyam Pareek is one of the most renowned Homeopathic Physician, founder of Pareek Homeopathic Centre. Practicing since more than 60 years making him one of the senior-most practitioners in the global homeopathic fraternity.

-What are your proposals for making homeopathy more widely known?

Propagation efforts need to be intensified. This needs to be done within the scientific fraternity as well as for the general public. Awareness programs for the public to tell them about the achievements of homeopathy are needed. Similarly, the quality of scientific publications has to be improved in terms of quality as well as quantity. Good quality papers on our work in pandemics and disasters are also needed — these will attract scientific as well as public attention. I also feel that our journals need to be strongest and more impactful — which is a process.

Scientific seminars have to be based on rich clinical practice and such clinical seminars need to be more frequent and better attended. This is essential for improving the clinical success of the fraternity as a whole. We organize such seminars in Agra with doctors attending from all over the world. In our seminars we tell them about our clinical work in many difficult diseases. About 4000 doctors from all over the world have attended our seminars and from the feedback, we have learnt that clinical success is improved through them.

About Homeopathy for disasters. I recall my memories from decades ago, there was a disaster in SWW where the Germans used mustard gas against Britains and enemies, so the ministry of health in England asked the faculty of Homeopathy “Do you have any answer for it?” and the faculty of Homeopathy gave them the answer that there are good many remedies which can help to alleviate the poisonous effects of mustard gas after examining the symptomatic picture. Similarly, in the Chernobyl explosion in Russia, it was a big disaster, many people died because of that. Therapeutic options are immediately available in such disasters through Homeopathy.

Then there was a big disaster in India, it was in Bhopal. There was an explosion of the gas methyl isocyanate and about 20,000 persons died, so the public asks “Do they have any answer to meet this disaster?”, and we have no reason to exist as homeopaths if we cannot answer them. I personally went to the tragedy, disaster site, and study the effects of methyl isocyanate on human beings, on animals, on birds, on plants, and I recorded all the symptoms that produced and there was a big symptomatology; it affected the eyes, it affected the breathing, it affected many other organs and we studied the remedies which we can use to alleviate those symptoms. I documented this study of methyl isocyanate gas and gave many remedies like Arsenicum album, Natrum muriaticum, Carbo vegetabilis and others. So the
homeopaths should have a desire to meet any challenge and in the modern world we should be prepared to face challenges every day.

The public wants us to answer for many unknown diseases, mysterious diseases, which are not well explained and their management not well establishes, but we can treat any mysterious disease because we treat through their symptomatology. It is not difficult, the only thing is, we should work very hard, we should be honest to Homeopathy, to the patient, and to the public. We must tell them what we can offer in Homeopathy to meet all these challenges.

For the young colleagues, we must publish good cases from old masters. We should tell the young generations “Look at this, these were the successes we got from homeopathic medicine” and now we must go ahead.

Then in provings, we must be very honest in our provings, we must tell only what we had observed and experienced. As Hahnemann said: “The proving has to be very pure”. I heard one proving of lioness milk, and I asked the presenter: “How did you get this? How did you get the lioness milk for proving?”. He said: “I gave a shot to the lioness, she became unconscious, I got the milk, and proved it”. I said “No, this is not pure proving”. Because, then the milk was intoxicated by the injection and the symptoms we will get are not exact, so we should prove only the pure things and present only the pure symptoms.

-What can homeopathy do for people’s health. What are the achievements of Homeopathy in general health?

Now, in this pandemic, they are talking about immunity. All over the world people are talking about immunity, people are coming up with drugs that can boost immunity. It was a long time ago when Hahnemann gave the world the powers of white cells. It was the patient’s immunity, it was the patient’s white blood cell power that could protect the patient from so many things, Immunity is enhanced through drugs, food, environment and lifestyle, and mental health. Paschero and Ortega always emphasized tranquility, serenity of mind. “Mind sena, mens sena, corpora sena.” So now we should pay more attention to the mental symptoms of the patient, and when mental health is good, we can cope with any infection, any disaster in a better way.

-What kind of person in an ideal patient for homeopathy?

Well, a good homeopathic patient is the one who develop a faith in you, but he will develop only if you tell him the right thing. Where you stand, what you can do. Honesty can make the patient a better patient. You should tell him the prognosis; “this is going to happen, but we are trying to help”. So you can win the confidence of the patient which is possible only if you tell him the truth and not the fantasy.

-I know that you published a very good article about coronavirus treated with Homeopathy. Can you tell us a little bit about it?
Yes. About this pandemic, first we calculated the prophylactic medicine, and those medicines were very effective. We collected the information from people who took those prophylactic medicine, which was Arsenicum album 200 once in a week for three weeks. Arsenicum was the great remedy and after, those who had coronavirus, they were treated with Gelsenium, which gave very good results, and those who were treated with the homeopathic medicine, they did not have much weakness and had less fever than others. They recover very quick, they got the strength easily and they could go back to their work.

Tell us about the popularity of Homeopathy?

Homeopathy in India is very popular. In Mexico also. I heard that there were big groups of homeopaths in Mexico, and in 1980 in the Acapulco congress there was a big crowd of students who attended the Congress, about 3000. I still remember, the same as in India. It is getting very very popular, and homeopaths are getting a good education in several collages which have very good training in Homeopathy. And there are scientific courses and congresses. They present evidence on the cases which are accepted. There are many postgraduate courses also. We have 200 undergraduate colleges in Homeopathy, and then postgraduate colleges as well and facilities for research, so one can have a 5 and a half years course, the full graduate course in Homeopathy, which covers all the modern subjects as well.

With Homeopathic Giants:
Dr. Paschero, Dr. Negro, Dr. P.S. Ortega,
Dr. Hui Bon Wa, Dr. R. S. Pareek

So like that, we need to restart homeopathic institutions where good classical homeopathy is being taught in the light of modern investigations and documentation. We must document all cases properly and whatever we present has to be evidence-based and the public will accept it.

And in India there is a research department of homeopathy, they have facilities for research, documentation, they publish a journal, a research journal which publishes all provings and cases. In public health there are small clinics in all levels, there are homeopathic clinics that are functioning, patients are treated for several conditions, only the surgical conditions are referred to other centers.

And overall I would say, what is most needed in homeopathy is good teachers. We have a deficiency of good teachers. We must create an international school of teachers, rather than an international school of homeopathy. We can expect good students only if the teachers are dedicated to Homeopathy. I had the good fortune to be taught by good teachers.

What have you done in Homeopathy in India? You have a clinic. What kind of people do you treat there?

It is a general hospital. We get all kinds of people: the rich, the poor, the educated, the uneducated, everybody, and we treat practically all types of diseases, including the infectious diseases, the chronic diseases, the acute diseases and so on. In India, in villages and in the remote parts they are doing excellent work. We, in our institution, we tell the people what we can do and what we cannot do. What we cannot do are things like surgery. We are very honest in our practice, we tell them “this is a structural deformity and you must opt for surgery”. What I can do, I will do, what I cannot do, I must tell the patient who is the right person who can do better than me. So that way it is a complement. We complement the modern medicine. When I came back to India in the year 1957, I started my practice. There was one patient I was seeing in the OPD (outpatient department) and I told him that he needed a surgery. He said “Oh, doctor, you treated so many patients like me, and now, why are you telling me
that I should go to the surgeon?” I said “I resolve only the calculi and not the big ones, the staghorns, they will damage your kidney”. So I referred the patient to the surgeon with a letter that said “he needs surgery”. The eminent surgeon operated the patient, took the stone out, and sent back the patient to me. “I’ve done my job, now you can stop the re-formation of the calculi” because there was a structural deformity that needed surgery, and for functional deformity Homeopathy is very good. So this is how we are complementing each other and in my practice, allopathic doctors, they have become my great friends, and they refer the cases to me because I said what they can do better they should do, what we can do better, we should do, and this is a very harmonic practice. We must see the good of the patient and be very honest. So that was the start, and I started the practice in a scientific way; it was accepted by the allopahths, the educated masses and then it spread all over the country in all the congresses there were documented presentations.

What is one of your best memories of the LMHI congresses?

I remember one Congress in Rome, Dr. Ortega was there, Antonio Negro was the president and he was there sitting with me in the audience. One homeopath was presenting a successful case, and the whole house said “miracle, miracle”. Dr. Negro got up and said: “No, it was not a miracle, because miracles happen rarely, but the homeopaths do it everyday, so every case is a miracle”. Those were the good old days. That day we presented, we learned, we heard all miracle cases, experiences of Dr. Negro, Dr. Ortega, Dr. Paschero, Foubister. I assisted Foubister in the proving of Carcinosin, I was a member of the team. So those were the good old days. Dr. Ortega would tell, that we are now lacking in observation, we must observe the patient fully: his activities, his habits, his feelings and his behavior, and sometimes we could prescribe wonderfully well if we make honest observations. Some homeopaths today have become very rushed, they want fast results, they don’t want to work very hard, they don’t want to observe things with due seriousness and that is how sometimes we don’t get very good results; we have to be very patient with the patient, look at him, listen to him, observe him, then we can achieve very good results.

It is very important to question “How we fail?”, This is very important; people, the doctors, the youngsters, they always tell about their successes, nobody talks about their failures, but we learn from our failures. From them we learn, what we should not do. Sometimes, we take the case very well and yet we find that the patient is not improving. That is the time to think, pause and ask “What is wrong?” Either the medicine is wrong, either the potency is wrong, either we are not selecting the right rubric. I still remember Dr. Ortega sitting with me and discussing “How not to do it”. That is very important: How you fail and how not to do it.

Dr. Ortega’s contribution to the development of Homeopathy was great. He was a true hahnemmannian and he had a profound study of the Miasms. In every case, he would judge the miasmatic predominance, and when the cases were not improving he would look to the miasm and prescribe the right miasmatic remedy which would clear the case and it was then a success.

It gives me all the memories of the past with Dr. Ortega in all the Liga congresses for the last seventy years and I practically attended every congress and there were two persons, Dr. Paschero and Dr. Ortega who also attended all the congresses, they were extraordinary homeopaths. Now I don’t find any colleague who used to meet me in the congress, but now is the time for the young generations, and this is good. Is quite natural that the young generations come up.

Dr. R. S. Pareek
What is your background as a homeopathic physician?

Before answering I want to thank LMHI for proposing this interview and Dr. Andrea Flores for conducting it.

I am a disciple of the great masters of homeopathy. I had the honor of being with Dr. Pablo Paschero for 25 years, thanks to him I met Dr. Proceso Sanchez Ortega, another great master of Homeopathy. Dr. Eugenio Candegabe was my teacher of Materia Medica and I also learned and continue to learn from the colleagues of the Homeopathic Medical School of Argentina (EMHA). That has helped me a lot as an homeopath. Personally, I was born in Cordoba, Argentina, I am happily married for 60 years, with three children and 9 grandchildren.

I graduated 61 years ago. I have been reading Homeopathy for 63 years. I was lucky to have a pharmacist uncle in love with Homeopathy who gave me homeopathy books while I was studying medicine. My idea was to become a neurosurgeon, I was a practitioner at the Chair of Anatomy, but after reading about Homeopathy I decided to be an Homeopath. I chaired Paschero’s school from 1990 to 2000. Currently, I am a professor emeritus of the EMHA founded by Dr. Paschero in 1971.

I studied medicine at the National University of Córdoba. Fifteen days after graduating, I moved to the city of Buenos Aires to study Homeopathy. I have given courses in Brazil: in Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo, Curitiba, where I was named professor emeritus, and I have also given courses in Ecuador, Spain, Italy and Israel.

It is interesting to approach the study of Materia Medica from the point of view of macrocosm and microcosm, in addition to the classical approach. We should not stay with the symptom, with the manifest, but with what is behind each symptom, that is to say, to know the meaning of the symptom.

Lycopodium for example “fears not to reach his/her destiny”, physical or as a personal goal. We must ask ourselves: what other symptoms tell us about Lycopodium’s unreached destiny? When he stutters the last part of the sentence, the speech does not reach its destination. He dreams that he is in a boat, the boat sinks in his dreams, the boat does not reach its destination either. He has the sensation that his circulation has stagnated, that is, he does not reach his destination either, and so on, different headings tell us about the same thing. Millions of years ago, Lycopodium was a very big tree, now it is a small plant, that tree could not fulfill its destiny and appears in his dreams with trees like the unfufilled one.

About honey: Let us take a symptom: “Desire for honey and aversion to honey”; Natrum carbonicum has an aversion to honey and is also listed in the repertory as the most prominent remedy in misanthropy. Veratrum is in the category of honey craving and despairs because of its social situation, one is sociable and the other is misanthropic. What is honey? Honey is a product of a sociable being, there is something else behind it that tells us that a misanthrope, Nat. carb. has an aversion to honey and a sociable, Veratrum, has a desire for honey. Kent says that Natrum carbonicum feels a division between himself and others, it is a modality of his misanthropy. But does that division
lead to anything else we can develop in Natrum carbonicum’s dynamism?

Natrum carbonicum dreams of marriages, marriage is the concretion of something he wants to achieve, marriage is union, the opposite of the division he lives. But when he marries two women as Jahr adds to the repertoire, marriage shows a division. Veratrum has the illusion of being a hunter and dreams that he is hunting. How do we see that in the consultation? It is going to be difficult for a patient to tell us that he is a hunter or that he dreams that he is hunting. Once a patient told me: “when I have a dialogue with another person and I don’t agree, I let him talk and talk and when he finishes his speech, I shoot”; he shoots like a hunter.

It is important to know that there are DIFFERENT WAYS OF EXPRESSING A SYMPTOM, in this case the word hunter was absent.

We can see Veratrum with the psoric image, but he is sycotic when he waits for the opportunity. A hunter cannot be impatient, in the item impatience Veratrum does not appear, a hunter has to wait for the right moment to shoot. In the heading indecision or irresolute does not appear, because a hunter cannot be impatient or irresolute either. He has to wait to shoot and then shoot. In some directories the modalities are usually elevated to the general category (in my opinion erroneously), in the case of Veratrum the irresolution is only for marriage.

Croton tiglium, the oil of croton. A patient was telling me that he felt that his lungs did not expand, in the respiratory difficulty rubric it says textually: “Sensation that the lungs do not expand”.

What I want to convey is that we have to LOOK BEYOND THE SYMPTOM.

What symptoms of Croton tiglium tell us about difficulty to expand? He/she is selfish and egocentric, there is no expansion, he/she is limited to him or herself. Just as his/her lungs do not expand, he/she cannot expand and open up to the world.

Chronic Aconitum, he/she has the illusion that he/she leads a flock. This sometimes appears in the clinic, Aconitum comes from the word acone which means "without land". A patient told me: “when I swing, I feel the sensation that I move away from the ground and I feel a sense of insecurity", she moves away because she does not have the roots. The roots of the Aconitum plant are at ground level. The shepherd also moves away from his land, to take his sheep to fields where they can graze, he is abandoning his roots. I read in a botany book that Aconitum grows near the shepherds’ hut, in the high mountains. So it is striking that Aconitum has the feeling that it drives sheep and grows near the shepherds’ hut.

Stramonium grows in the garbage dumps, where everything dirty, unworthy, and we hear it from the patients, in THE LANGUAGE. Kent joined in the repertoire under the rubric of DELUSIONS, the illusion and the sensation: as if. Clinical experience allows us to incorporate language on a par with illusion and sensation. A patient expressed: “they treat me like garbage”. A colleague reported that a child liked to play with garbage. Of course the colleague did not give the patient Stramonium just for this, but for the other symptoms of the remedy that he also presented.

We can talk about Thuja division. Thuja trunk bifurcates, what do we see of splitting in the Thuja patient? The bifurcated urine stream, the bifurcated hair tip, he has a sense of duality. It doesn’t achieve that unity. It’s called Thuja occidentalis. Materia Medica says it has ability for analytical thinking, not synthetic thinking. That analytical duality is in the West, in the East is the synthesis. There are expressions that help us to understand, Heidegger, the philosopher said that the sun rises in the Levant and sets in the West. The decline is in the West. Hahnemann recommended reading philosophers and studying mathematics.

To Rhus tox the movement and the effort improves him/her, but once the effort continues, he/she is exhausted. We can assimilate it to the myth of Sisyphus, who was condemned to carry a large stone to the top of a mountain and who always dropped it before reaching the top. We see in the repertoire the illusion of hard work. He dreams of work, he dreams that he is working hard, the Materia Medica indicates that others see in him that he has not earned enough. He has to keep working hard. This is all very congruent and tells us that there is a unity that we must rescue in the Materia Medica.

Belladonna is also in the category of hard work and has the illusion that he rides an ox, the ox is the sacrificial animal. In all ancient cultures, the ox was sacrificed as an offering to the gods.

Zincum. To look at a zinc roof at noon, it dazzles, one can no longer look at it. Zincum has many mental symptoms aggravated at noon.

Camphora is afraid of mirrors and one’s own thoughts. According to the symbology (Chevallier’s Dictionary of Symbols) in Japan, the mirror is a symbol of reflection of oneself on the consciousness. Mirrors are the reflection on oneself, the luminous effect of a mirror and the terror that inspires self-awareness.

Symbology also gives us an explanation that can clarify many things, as well as the etymological knowledge of words, Materia Medica and repertoires.

About errors in repertories: The symptoms: “silent grief and undemonstrated grief”, before those two symptoms were separated. There was Cyclamen in undemonstrated grief and Natrum muriaticum in silent grief. Those two rubrics were merged into one and now there are the two remedies. But if one thinks of Cyclamen the Alpine violet that came down from the mountain, (Sensations as if : Roberts) she is averse to going mountains. So it is striking that Aconitum has the feeling that it drives sheep and grows near the shepherds’ hut.

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On the other hand if we go to the face chapter: Natrum muriaticum appears in suffering expression, it silences the sorrow, but it is seen, it is noticed. Natrum muriaticum has the symptom Nausea thinking of salt, under the heading Nausea What is salt for Natrum? It is its essence, and what about the mirror and Natrum? When he looks in the mirror he feels unfortunate, that is, the mirror gives him back the image he has of himself. Nausea to his essence.

About desires: Silicea terra has a desire to eat sand and dreams of deserts where there is sand. The word sand in English, sand, familiarly expresses “strength of character, courage. We can interpret in Silicea that she wishes to incorporate the courage that
Alumina has a desire to eat the leftovers of the meal. What do these leftovers mean? The dish has lost its identity. Alumina has confusion of identity, her consciousness belongs to another, there are many symptoms where Alumina’s identity is compromised and in these remains that she eats, there are also the remains of an identity. Magnesia carbonica, on the other hand, has an aversion to eating remains of meat. If one reads Kent, he points out that Magnesia carbonica allowed the children in the orphanage to recover their health with this remedy. We can associate the aversion to meat leftovers with the poverty of life that an abandoned child had to live. Alumina is an amphoteric, it can act as an acid and as a base, it has no identity.

**EVERYTHING HAS A MEANING IF WE GO DEEPER INTO THE STUDY OF MATERIA MEDICA.**

Let’s talk about misunderstood symptoms. For example, the rubric -Antagonism with oneself-, is sometimes confused with the -Feeling of duality-, a sub-rubric of -Confusion of identity. This duality is not the same as antagonism; antagonism implies struggle. The particle agon, of the word antagonism means struggle. Agon is the struggle against death. The protagonist is the one who is in the struggle. So to take the Rubric -Antagonism, we have to have the two forces that struggle. Anacardium is a clear example, he feels that on one shoulder he has an angel and on the other the devil. He looks both ways, struggling to decide. A 13 year old boy fought at school, he felt an inner struggle, he did not want to but he fought, he said that nobody realized that he was affectionate, “everyone sees my shell” he said. Anacardium is a nut, it has a hard shell and a sweet fruit. No one sees his inner self. He expressed it in his own words describing that nut. Anacardium can be a victim of his antagonism but he can also suffer from identity confusion and a sense of duality or contradiction in his will.

There is a story of an Anacardium patient of a colleague, Dr. Marasco. He treated in class a child who stood on the edge of the sidewalk and drank water directly from the street and had a lot of crazy behaviors. His grandfather died and his mother gave birth immediately in the same bed. He was a cruel, crazy boy. The duality of life and death was present in the birth of this child.

**WHEN ONE HAS THE EXPERIENCE OF THE DYNAMISM OF EACH MEDICINE, HOMEOPATHY, BESIDES BEING INTERESTING, BECOMES EXCITING AND VERY ENJOYABLE.**

Fluoric acidum. In etymology, fluor means to flow. We have symptoms where he leaves his home, his children, he has to flow, he cannot stop in a marriage.

His gestures are determined. The rubric gestures, beyond gestures, we can extend it to the actions of Fluoric acidum. When we say he had a good gesture we mean a good action.

Calcarea fluorica. He is selfish and greedy, the calcareous deposits in his tympani are also another manifestation of his accumulative tendency.

**WHAT HAPPENS ON THE PHYSICAL LEVEL IS NOT UNRELATED TO WHAT HAPPENS ON THE MENTAL LEVEL, THERE IS A TOTALITY.**

The symptom -Lumbalgia by taking a wrong step, refers to stepping wrong. The word misstep, to take a wrong step, also has another connotation, in the sense of sinfulness. There is the symptom -Illusion that sin takes him away from his day of grace that Podophyllum has in addition to the lumbago from a misstep.

Hyoscamus makes clowns, seeks to make people laugh. In the repertoire is an illusion that is a harlequin. The girls want to act, to dance. I remember a Hyoscamus girl with asthma, every day at 3am she had to use the nebulizer, she had been using it for years. She said: “I like to clown; I would like to act in musical comedy”.

Kent says that what characterizes Conium is narrowness. He expands on this concept in Magnesia muriaticum I would add to this modality a symptom: narrow minded, which is mental narrowness. Conium suffers from it, as well as the difficulty to discriminate or discern. Whoever has narrow mindedness cannot discern or discriminate. Baryta carbonica also has the symptom narrow-mindedness and feels vertigo walking on narrow paths, the narrowness is in the mind and in that path.

Clarke says: Ferrum, the Mars of the alchemists. Mars is the god of War. Ferrum has the illusion of being at war and dreams of war and fights.

There are many new drugs that have excellent pathogeneses. For example, I remember the case of a patient of 90 years old with a flu condition that did not resolve, she told me: “This flu takes me out of my axis”. Adamas, the diamond (Jeremy Sherr’s pathogenesis) reversed her acute condition. Another case of Adamas was that of a patient who, when her depressive condition improved, said: “now I can accept my other faces” Dr. Ariel Medina referred in the EMHA Athenaeum that some Adamas patients talked about the axis and I remembered it in the patient’s acute condition. Axes and faces make up the diamond.

In the Adamas proving, a prover expressed “feeling of absolute power, invincible”. Chevalier’s Dictionary of Symbols says of the diamond: “It is the symbol of the unalterable, of the invincible spiritual power”. I rescue the words invincible and power expressed by the prover. Regarding the axis, Chevalier says, speaking of the diamond: the axis of the world described by Plato is adamantine.
Hydrogenium. Jeremy Sherr also did the pathogenesis of Hydrogenium. If you know what hydrogen looks like, you will understand Hydrogenium. Hydrogen on Earth is never pure, the only place where it is pure is in the heights next to the stars, it is known as the fuel of the stars. I have seen two cases. As a child, one wanted to sleep on the terrace of his house to see the stars. The other, a biologist patient, traveled to the mountains to spend the night under the stars. Each of the patients had their own symptoms of Hydrogenium. The pathogenesis of Hydrogenium refers to wanting to separate from everything earthly and also has the symptom of feeling in the presence of God.

If we are sure of the symptoms we can arrive at a successful prescription, but have we understood the patient? All the background of the patient allows us a deeper understanding.

Let us not start from lucubrated ideas, we MUST START FROM THE SYMPTOMS, and integrate them. When we choose the remedy for that SYMPTOM OF MAXIMUM VALUE we must see if it coincides with the essence of the remedy.

We must arouse the memory of CHILDHOOD. There are many children Carcinosinum, who became ill because of parental dominance. Carcinosinum is a good example of this theme of dominance of the other.

If we achieve a good ANAMNESIS and we get to know the most important and hierarchical aspects of the patient to prescribe the remedy, we will surely make a miasmatic prescription.

While anamnesis looks for personal and environmental hereditary antecedents, it is also the act of remembering. The word comes from the Greek μ. (anamnesis = memory, reminiscence), which Plato recognized as the only source of true knowledge. The physician must create the conditions for the patient to be able to evoke free from the pressure of rigorous interrogations reserved for the end of the consultation. The anamnesis goes beyond the art of interrogation.

Dr. Gustavo Cataldi and Dr. Marcelo Candegabe, from Argentina, inspired by the different approaches of the Materia Medica in the EMHA made a synthesis called "The Study of the Materia Medica by growing complexity": When all the available material is reviewed, the study is restarted (Iteration). With the knowledge acquired, the study is approached again looking for new complexities with an always open end.

The publishing house Alianza published an Indo-European Etymological Dictionary of the Spanish language. In this book everything is born from a theoretical construction that gave rise to almost all languages, except the Semitic ones. Many of us know the UTILITY OF THE ETHYMOLOGICAL DICTIONARY in the understanding of the Materia Medica and the language of the patients.

What Materia Medica books do you recommend to study?

Pure Materia Medica, Kent’s, Hering’s, Clarke’s and as many Materia Medica as available.

What importance do you give to mental symptoms and physical symptoms?

We have to hierarchize the symptoms. The homeopathic clinic cannot be done without a hierarchy of symptoms. We must keep in mind that THE MENTAL IS WHAT DEFINES THE PATIENT. Sometimes we have to be satisfied with a physical symptom, because it is the most hierarchical symptom.

What is the scope of Homoeopathy in the health of the sick?

It restores the vital balance to the human being. This is what Homeopathy offers by restoring harmony to the vital energy.

What message would you give to current homeopaths and to the new generations?

To the current ones, to develop their vocation to the maximum, integrating with their colleagues who will feed the spiral of knowledge. The spiral opens the closed circle of individual knowledge. To the new generations I recommend to listen to the masters and to always keep in mind the doctrine of homeopathy. It is very important to attend a school. A piece of advice I give TO YOUNG PHYSICIANS:
STUDY IN A GROUP BECAUSE IT ENHANCES LEARNING.

What do you reject in the practice of Homeopathy?

Everything that departs from the doctrine is disposable. IF WE DO NOT KNOW THE DOCTRINE, WE ARE RUNNING THE RISK OF SUPPRESSION. The patient may say that he feels very well but the laws of healing have not been fulfilled. There is a moral commitment that has been distorted.

FALLING IN LOVE WITH HOMEOPATHY OCCURS WHEN WE HAVE UNDERSTOOD IT AND IT BECOMES AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR LIFE.

We can make associations of Materia Medica with the world of Literature. For example, the Mexican writer Juan Rulfo wrote Pedro Paramo. Pedro Páramo is about someone who arrives in a village in search of his father who is called Pedro Páramo. This image reminds us of Carbo animalis. The wasteland is the desert, Pedro was the father and in these two words is synthesized Carbo animalis, who has the feeling that his town is deserted. Carbo animalis abandons and improves by being held (holding or being held ameliorates). It also improves by rocking. To rock in addition to rocking means to lull, soothe; other forms of being held.

Hahnemann in the Organon speaks of vocation. HOMEOPATHY IS A VOCATION, WE MUST STUDY IT WITH LOVE. Homeopathy inspires to write poetry. There are stories that come as a gift and inspiration comes to the surface. This is a poem I wrote:

Dr. Schaffer with Dr. Proceso S. Ortega, founder of Homeopathy of Mexico, at the LMHI congress in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1971.
Poem by Dr. Juan Schaffer

“I need to know”

Tell me of your pain
to understand your suffering;
I need to understand
your childhood...

Together, to walk
the path of your despair,
the secret wound in your memory,
the sigh in yesterday,
the mistake of love or
the cry of absence.

Show it to me and
your bitter taste
will inhabit what I know...
So that the white paper
will be covered with you...

You came to seek
a remedy for your ailment,
help me to auscultate
the root of your suffering...
And thus unveil
the potion which will cure
that ancient feeling
in the present living.
My personal experience with Homeopathy

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Homeopathic Medicine is a very controversial practice, mostly due to ignorance; however, understanding it in depth can demonstrate how fascinating it really is, and also that it is a wonderful healing tool.

I first came across Homeopathy when I was two years old, when my mother, fed up with me suffering from recurrent tonsillitis with no solution but rounds and rounds of antibiotics, decided to take me to a Homeopathic Doctor. To her amazement, after a detailed anamnesis, exploration and a simple pellet treatment, my tonsillitis disappeared. Thanks to these excellent results, I visited my homeopathic doctor periodically throughout my childhood and my adolescence.

Years later, I began my medical studies. I always had an inclination to be a doctor and was passionate about health sciences. I was interested in any forms of healing, regardless of its theory, partly thanks to my mother, who practices different traditional remedies, and to my personal experience with Homeopathy. I was surprised that in college, practically nothing was taught about non-conventional medicines, which were particularly familiar to me, since I had been treated with them during my whole life.

While I was studying in college, I unofficially devoured books about Homeopathy. I had to be careful that this new information did not produce cognitive dissonance with the official theories that I was taught at school, but that did not discourage me. I discovered that the Homeopathic point of view about health and disease provides answers to questions not even asked in conventional medicine, such as why children suffer from bronchial asthma and atopic skin so frequently, or as, for instance,
why there are certain phenotypes in chronic obstructive lung disease. When I graduated, while I was studying the opposition exam, and while I was in my internship as a neurologist apprentice, I visited the Homeopath who treated me as a child, who selflessly offered me practical lessons in his office on Tuesday afternoons. He taught me to take an anamnesis properly, to reason, to explore, to communicate with the patient, to give bad news, ... something that, neither in college nor in my internship, was taught to me. The reason why I decided to be a Neurologist was precisely to try to combine Neurology with Homeopathy. My specialization is a science to discover, and, together with Homeopathy, it could be a fascinating combination, never performed before.

Once I finished my Internship in Neurology, I decided to move to Catalonia, where I joined the Homeopathic Medical Academy of Barcelona (AMHB), to learn real Homeopathic Science in the best academy in Spain. There was where I got my official degree in Homeopathy to be able to devote myself to it.

I have worked in various hospitals as a Neurologist, always learning and immersing myself in official Homeopathic knowledge, which, after all, is a science and must be known; every addition of information is always positive, as sir Francis Bacon said “knowledge is power”. Thanks to my clinical practice as a neurologist, I have learnt to manage strokes, to do carotid and transcranial ultrasounds echography, to study epilepsies, to get an accurate reasoning of neurological diseases, and a lot more things.

There are some fields in Neurology that are pretty unknown, and their treatments are discouraging; however, there are other subjects in which therapeutic tools have advanced significantly in recent years. My knowledges in Homeopathy have helped me to know the natural evolution or the etiology of some neurological diseases, as it happened in the university college, which helped me to better understand some etiologies that official medicine considers as “idiopathic”.

Apart from being a Neurologist in social security, I also work as a Homeopath privately in a family health center in Barcelona. There are not a few patients who go to a Homeopath to treat their illness from a different perspective, more respectful towards them. My specialty is Neurology, but I do not only treat neurological patients in my practice, after all I am a doctor, and Homeopathy covers it from a more general point of view, and not so locked in on itself. Homeopathic practice and helping patients from this position produces a satisfaction only known by those who have done it.

In these times of pandemic, Homeopathy helps a lot in the treatment of COVID-19; despite the fact that the healthcare system does not contemplate it. Our academy has successfully treated with Homeopathy more than 100 patients who became ill because of coronavirus disease, as well as in other countries, several studies are being developed on Homeopathy in the treatment of COVID-19. I also fell ill of coronavirus disease, and thanks to Homeopathy I was able to heal and naturally got immunized, without any sequelae. In brief, I urge young doctors to awaken their curiosity, not to stop learning and dare to know about this branch of medicine, it is truly fascinating. As Samuel Hahnemann, its discoverer, said: “Aude Sapere” (Dare to Know).
LMHI International Council
Minutes for the 2020 virtual meeting

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Bernardo Merizalde – LMHI General Secretary
Monika Kölsch – LMHI Treasurer
Alok Pareek – LMHI Past President
Ashley Ross – Research & Provings Sec
Raj Kumar Manchanda – Information & Communication Sec
Heike Gypser – Pharmacy Sec
Claudia Garm – Education Sec
Gloria Feighelstein – Dentistry Special Commitee
Renzo Galassi – Newsletter Sec
Evin Türkay – LMHI Sec

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1. LMHI President Dr. Gustavo Cataldi opened the 1st virtual International Council meeting of LMHI. He began with: “It has been a very hard year because of the Covid19 pandemic. That is why we meet virtually instead of meeting in Istanbul, Turkey, at the congress. We have had to postpone it until 2021.” This situation has also affected the Hahneman’s day celebrations. Conferences, courses and workshops have been cancelled, postponed, on gone online.

We have sent letters to the World Health Organization (WHO) offering help in treating people with this pandemic infection; these letters have not been answered. An official communication was made by Dr. Yvonne Fok (China Taipei) to the WHO. This communication was well organized, by Dr. Fok, with the assistance of Dr. Bernardo Merizalde; you can find it at our website. Dr. Cataldi thanks all research groups involved in the clinical database of people treated with homeopathy for COVID-19 related syndromes. The LMHI, in collaboration with the European Council for Homeopathy (ECH), continues to coordinate these activities.

We now have a wonderful library thanks The Openheimer Foundation and their donation, through the intercession of Dr. Danny Pillay S.Africa, to purchase Dr. Klaus-Henning Gypser Library, now the LMHI Library, currently lodged at the Hahnemann Haus, in Köthen, Germany.

The LMHI Executive Committee meeting was held in June, 2020, virtually. You have been sent the reports of it, and some of you have voted to approve them already.

It has also been a difficult year for the payment of LMHI Dues by member nations. We hope those who have not payed will be able to do so by the end of this year. It is important to point out that, normally, nations who haven’t paid their dues are not able to vote for resolutions, or actions at the IC meeting. The EC has decided to provide an exception this year and everyone will be able to vote at this meeting, though the dues are expected to be paid before the next meeting.

We have lost a few of our beloved colleagues: Dr. Buffa from Argentina, and Dr. Imberechts, a great Homeopath, LMHI past-president and also President of Honor. Dr. Cataldi shared Dr. Imberechts’s biography. To honour him, a minute of silenced was held with all those attending.

Dr. Cataldi proposed approval of IC 2019 minutes, Dr. Merizalde, seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

2. 75th LMHI Congress, 2021:
Dr. Altunay Ağaoğlu, LMHI vice president, announced the postponement of LMHI Congress to June, 2021, in Istanbul, Turkey, and hopefully the pandemic will be under control and we will be able to travel. Although the situation is not clear, there is still uncertainty in the world and travel restrictions are still in place. The NVP from Turkey, Dr. Sarper Diler asked if it can be done virtually. Dr. Ağaoğlu shared there is a plan B to organise it virtually, or perhaps a hybrid model; the congress organizational committee is working on the plan. We cannot cancel, or postpone, so we will act accordingly. Dr. Claudia Garn, the LMHI Secretary of Education, suggested congresses, nowadays, are done with extra hygiene cautions at the locales. The problem is not with the venue, but with travel arrangements.
3. **LMHI Financial Status:** Dr. Monika Kölsch, LMHI Treasurer, reported on the donation from the Openheimers for the acquisition and transportation of Gypser Library. Drs. Klaus-Henning Gypser, Ulrich Fischer, Renzo Galassi, and Altunay Ağaoğlu are working on the particular details about the use of the library.

Dr. Kölsch presented and reviewed the financial report. The report shows a positive balance, but it doesn’t include the unpaid 2020 membership fees, which organization have had difficulty paying due to the pandemic.

Dr. Hashmi, NVP from Afghanistan, asked if there are any funds for special projects to help poor countries, such as Afghanistan, where they started with homeopathy from nothing. Dr. Hashmi states they need help. Dr. Merizalde suggested that each case needs to be discussed and evaluated individually. At this point, there no funds allocated for this specific purpose. The Solidarity Projects will continue as they have been carried on thus far. Dr. Cataldi confirms that the solidarity projects are the means how the LMHI is assisting the countries that need help with their development of homeopathy. We can offer courses and seminars to advance education in those countries. Dr. Garn adds that travelling is not possible these days, but online teaching is possible. Dr. Hashmi is encouraged to contact Dr. Garn directly to explore possibilities. Dr. Danny Pillay, NVP of South Africa, asks if LMHI has funds, money in the stock market? Dr. Kölsch replied that we have only a bank account, no active investments.

Dr. Ağaoğlu moves to approve the financial report, Dr. Merizalde seconds it. The financial report is APPROVED unanimously.

4. **Secretary reports:**
   a. **Pharmacy Report**
   Dr. Heike Gypser, Secretary of Pharmacy, presented her report. They are still working on the issues regarding the homeopathic pharmacopia; she adds that her group has sent short questionnaires to relevant individuals, but has received very few replies. If you know of pharmacies that make remedies, please encourage them to contribute. The specific names of the participants are not publicized. Dr. Leonid Kosmodemyansky, Russia NVP, requests the questionnaire.

   b. **Research & Provings**
   Dr. Ashley Ross, Secretary of research and provings, presented his report. He reviewed the COVID-19 Clinical Database Project, particularly the Clificol arm of the data collection. Dr. Yvonne Fok, NVP of China Taipei added that this project not only about COVID19. She has shared a video with everyone, and will be made available to other members. Dr. Cataldi thanked everyone for the hard work.

   c. **Information & Communication**
   Dr. Raj Kumar Manchanda, Secretary of Information & Communication, presented his report. He wants all NVPs to be more active in the cause for homeopathy, spreading news and information, and encouraging other members to participate. If necessary, the information available should be translated into their own language and distributed. Dr. Manchanda encouraged any NVP to make an informational
or educational webinar, which could be then uploaded to the LMHI website; those interested should contact him directly. Some NVPs asked questions about the COVID-19 vaccine and whether there is an LMHI position. Dr. Manchanda suggests that we need to look positively at the situation and consider all the data. Dr. Cataldi adds that the LMHI has never spoken about any vaccine, and will not do that, since there is a significant and perilous political context in this matter, and the LMHI is not in the position of taking a concrete position at this time.

d. Education
Dr. Claudia Garn, Secretary of Education, discussed her report. She had 62 members in her working group, and needs to evaluate each one’s participation and performance, and now there are about 30 people in the group. She shared the information that there are trainings about homeopathy available at the ECH and LMHI websites. Commissions have been created for accreditation of schools.

e. Newsletter
Dr. Renzo Galassi, Secretary of Newsletter, shared his report. He talked about the “The Homoeopathic Physician” publication, now in the third issue of the first volume. After the Sorrento Congress, the journal has been translated into various languages: Spanish, Italian and Chinese. For Italian, thanks to IRMSO and Dr. Pietro Gulia, for Spanish thanks to Dr. Andrea Flores, and for Chinese thanks to Dr. Yvonne Fok. The translations of the third issue are on the way. We do not have all the country reports but probably we can make one issue of Liga Letter this year once the reports are in. He requests NVPs to distribute the published newsletters among members as they are delivered, become more active in the LMHI. Please send your comments on newsletters, whether you like them or not. You can also view the issues on the LMHI website. Dr. Merizalde reinforces this action, to please send your reports, so they can be included in the newsletter. Dr. Cataldi asked about printed versions, and how many people would be interested in a printing version. Printed version are preferred by many people. Dr. Galassi emphasizes that, of course, it comes with a cost, and we need to know the total numbers to determine the cost. Dr. Pillay notes that everyone can do his/her own printing version if they want to put to their library. Dr. Cataldi requested that Evin Türkay, LMHI Executive Secretary, to send an e-mail to all NVPs in order to learn who would want printed versions.

f. Special Committee Section:
Dentistry: Dr. Gloria Feighelstein talked about her report. She shared information regarding congresses, education, and academic activities, particularly in Brazil. She reminds us to stay positive in these hard times.

Other: Dr. Altunay Ağaoğlu read the report from Dr. Marion Baschin, the LMHI secretary for
archives, and from Dr. Cesar Cremonini, Special Committee of Library’s report, as they are not present at the meeting. These reports are available to those who couldn’t attend the meeting and request it.

5. WHD celebrations: We could not have one in 2020, in Spain, due to covid-19; it is not certain if it will be done in 2021, in Latvia.

6. Dr. Merizalde addressed all the NVPs, and wants them to be more active in the work of the LMHI, to be in touch. Reports are important, so please send them. How can we be more active? Please send your idea as to how to motivate people to be more active.

Dr. Pillay announced his resignation as NVP and introduced the new NVP for South Africa, Bianca De Canha Sayers. He was happy to be with LMHI for 7 years.

7. WHO Benchmarks:
Dr. Raj Manchanda updated the group on the WHO’s Educational Benchmarks for Homeopathy. We are waiting for the minutes of the meeting, which occurred on August 29th, 2020. Up until that time, it is not possible to officially discuss the content at sufficient depth. Suffice to say, this is a topic that must be kept low keyed, to avoid antagonists to initiated paths to obstruct this project; we need to be very cautious about this. The WHO has published educational benchmarks for the great majority of traditional medicines and we have been reassured that this project, to developed them for homeopathy, is feasible. He thanks everyone who is participating and collaborating. Dr. Garn asks if there is any risk about WHO not following through at the end, since it appears that there is a large amount of money at play. Dr. Manchanda reiterates that we need to wait for the minutes of the meeting before contemplating the next steps.

8. New website:
Dr. Ağaoğlu informed that the new LMHI website is more attractive, easily accessible, currently in use yet still under construction in some pages. The whole data, content and codes are written anew. A new project with Dr. Manchanda is to develop interviews of the past LMHI presidents. Dr. Sandra Chase is planned to be the first interviewee. It is very important for NVPs to be more active in social media, to help to improve homeopathy at large; please contribute. There is a co-organization of the website, with Dr. Manchanda, Dr. Merizalde, and Evin Türkay, but all are invited to participate. We will appreciate your help.

9. LMHI Secretary Evin Türkay provided information regarding the LMHI office in Izmir. She is working from home and this will be so for the time being. Everything has been slower because of COVID-19: less people have joined, there is less correspondance. Hopefully, we will have the LMHI congress in Istanbul in 2021. She will continue to answer all
emails, design the LMHI newsletters, and prepare diplomas and certificates, maintaining a hopeful and positive outlook for 2021.

10. The LMHI Congress General Contract was agreed upon unanimously.

11. Code of Ethics:

The Ethic code committee (Drs. Altunay Ağaoğlu, Augustin Salinas (Argentina), and Andrea Flores Sánchez (Mexico)), prepared the LMHI Ethics Code document and are now working on the code of ethics for homeopathic research. Dr. Ağaoğlu introduces the motion to approve the document, Dr. Merizalde seconds the motion. The LMHI Code of ethics is APPROVED unanimously.

12. Congress of LMHI in 2022 at Colombia.

The representative of the Colombian organizing committee informs the IC the hotel is booked and the work on the logistics, and draft of agenda is completed. The dates are: 3rd-6th of August 2022, in the capital of Bogotá, and will hopefully be held then. They will provide updates as new information arises.

13. The 2023 LMHI Congress in Bangladesh, Dr Mohammad Ashrafur Rahman, NVP of Bangladesh, affirmed that Homeopathy in Bangladesh is quite important. Time will show how things unfold in the country. Dr. Cataldi is looking forward to, hopefully for all of us, being able to see more detailed presentations of these future congresses at the Istanbul congress.

14. Dr. Alok Pareek, in his position as past President, advised that the IC must work on increasing the activity of NVPs and their regular participation. He also suggested that regular communications between regional NVPs may help formalise better co-operation. He also lauded the work being done by the EC during the COVID pandemic. He suggested more frequent online meetings of the working groups with regular agenda and follow-ups of the same may be discussed during the congress for better outcomes.

Dr. Cataldi adjourns the meeting.
Hopefully see you all in Istanbul.

Dr Gustavo Cataldi, MD.
President, LMHI

Dr. Bernardo Merizalde, MD
General Secretary, LMHI

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Argentina

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During 2021 activities regarding homeopathic education took place exclusively online. There are 5 (five) schools inscribed in LMHI which teach a regular course of homeopathy in the areas of Medicine, Vet, odontology and pharmacy.

In Argentina homeopathy practitioneres must have a degree in one of this careers in order to study and receive a post degree in homeopathy.

In Argentina homeopathy is not recognized as scientific and therefore it does not integrate the health system, but neither is persecuted.

There is a Federation which gathers some of the homeopathic schools (Federacion de Asociaciones Medicas Homeopaticas Argentinas - FAMHA) and seeks to regulate homeopathic practice in the country. Nowadays it gathers three schools: Escuela Medica Homeopatica Argentina “Tomas P. Paschero” (EMHA), Asociacion Medica Homeopatica Argentina (AMHA), and Centro de Estudios Hahnemannianos de Cordoba.

During 2020 and 2021 an effort was made by all the national homeopathic community of doctors, to gather covid 19 cases and create a national database, as well as collaborate with an international effort CLIFICOL.

For the future we seek to improve the collaboration of all schools and homeopaths in our territory and gather together in the LMHI.
In Australia, the consequences of the response to SARS-CoV-2 have been more of a problem than the actual disease.

From the start in early 2020 the Federal and State elected Governments handed over the responsibility for the response to unelected health bureaucrats who immediately imposed restrictions on any promotion of safe, natural, evidence-based, economical prevention or treatment options. No doubt, homeopathy was very high on the list, and a number of homeopaths have been prosecuted for injudicious advertising of homeopathic options. But integrative medicine doctors and other natural therapists have also been prosecuted for promoting herbal and nutritional options. The response has been “vaccinate or suffer”, causing immense fear in the general community.

Whilst in Australia the infections and deaths from the virus have been low by international standards, the penalties on the community have been significant, resulting in a surge in mental health cases, marriage and friendship breakups, and a significant loss of employment. I live 1 hour north of Melbourne which was recently declared the most locked-down city in the world.

Australia is now entering a “lockout of the unvaccinated” phase and it is unclear how long this will last and what additional social and economic damage it will cause.

Despite this, some homeopaths have been very busy offering homoeoprophylaxis and treatments for the effects of shedding, vaccine injury and of course for SARS-CoV-2 infections. For example, I usually do around 100 postings a month of remedies to those who cannot visit my clinic. In October 2021 alone I posted over 1,000 items, almost all relating to Covid prevention and treatment, all around the country. So, there is a small but definite demand for homeopathic options, and I know of many colleagues who are also busy.

I have no doubt the demand for homeopathic options would be much higher if they could be discussed openly in the mainstream media. However, the media in Australia are totally beholden to the pharmaceutical drug cartels, as are our health bureaucrats, as are our politicians.

The Australian Homeopathic Association has remained a beacon of strength for local practitioners throughout 2020 and 2021, and the knowledge that there is an active worldwide homeopathic community, led by LMHI, has also been a great comfort.

God Willing, 2022 will provide better times for us all, although many vested interests oppose that.
Homeopathy has been existing in Austria since the discovery of homeopathy by Hahnemann. In Austria, homeopathy is allowed to be used only by medical doctors. In 1994 homeopathy was recognised by the Austrian Medical Association with the ÖAK diploma. In 1975 Mathias Dorcsi, the former president of the ÖGHM, conducted the first advanced training courses for medical doctors. Currently about 500 Austrian doctors use homeopathy in their practices, which corresponds to about 3% of all Austrian doctors. Not all of them are members of any homeopathic associations in Austria. There are efforts and discussions with representatives of Austrian health policy with the aim of integrating homeopathy into the Austrian health system.

Now, there is only one homeopathic outpatient clinics in Austrian hospitals. Although around 70% of patients choose homeopathy as their preferred complementary medicine method, the national health insurance funds do not reimburse homeopathic treatment, but some private insurance companies do.

Three homeopathic associations, the ÖGHM (founded in 1953), the ÄKH (founded in 1991), and the ÖGVH (Veterinary homeopaths), offer continuing education programs and cooperate in continuing education. Continuous efforts in research, publications and public relations promote the dissemination and establishment of homeopathy in Austria.

The year 2020 was again marked by attacks of the opponents of homeopathy. At the Medical Faculty in Linz, the elective course in complementary medicine was canceled after two years.

In Austria homeopathy is criticised by the so called “skeptics”, too, like in other European countries, Also in 2020 there were many attacks on homeopathy. In the media (papers, TV) there were reports about homeopathy.

The homeopathic companies joined forces and started to reorganise their public relations work with a professional PR and marketing expert.

There were talks with various representatives of the health system, including the former Minister of Health, which were not particularly successful.

The aim is a better integration of homeopathy in the Austrian health- and assurance-system.

Due to the pandemic, most education and training sessions were conducted virtually, and webinars were increasingly offered. A webinar series was introduced together with Germany and Switzerland. The first webinars focused on the treatment of patients suffering from Sars-CoV-2. Up to 400 participants attended these events.
Bangladesh

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The year 2020 will be remembered forever. Millions of people were washed away from us by an infamous thing named as Covid-19. Remembering them from the core of my heart I am sharing the news regarding homoeopathy in Bangladesh.

On March, 2020, first patient of Covid was found. After that, the virus spread like a wildfire and affected many people around. Thus, how the mortality rate kept on rising. In this circumstance many Homoeopaths and Homoeopathic Organizations stood in front and provided medication towards the general mass. Where the Allopathic practitioners were having trouble in treating rising number of Patients, the homeopaths on the other hand played a crucial role in treating people from this vicious virus.

The same year on July a 15-day campaign for treating Covid patients was held in Sheikh Rasel Park by 40 brave homoeopaths from Homoeopathic Doctors Liga Bangladesh Society (HDLBS) which later received a letter of appreciation from the Mayor of Narayanganj City Corporation. This organization (HDLBS) has got the same motto like LMHI which is to spread Homeopathy towards the mass. Following the same footsteps, Bangladesh Homoeopathic board and other respective organizations also stood for helping the people in this disastrous period of time. These steps helped Homeopathy gain much popularity in these times. Lastly, for me I guess, this disastrous year actually came as a blessing for Homoeopathy.
Colombia

Gina Cristina Guayacán Mora
Vicepresident for Colombia

Homoeopathy in Colombia is growing and strengthening, has 275 homoeopaths, graduated from the two universities endorsed by the Ministry of National Education to train homoeopaths: Luis G Paez University (160 physicians and 33 veterinarians), and the National University of Colombia (115 doctors Magister Homeopathy). Both emphasize clinical homoeopathy and research. Homoeopaths with other specialities have increased, mainly paediatricians and psychiatrists, and to a lesser extent general surgeons, anesthesiologists, intensivists, specialists in occupational medicine and epidemiologists.

Ministry of Health issued new regulations, which prevent health professionals other than physicians, or physicians with short courses, from practising homoeopathy, and their licenses have been withdrawn by the health authorities. This fact has increased the number of candidates in both universities for accreditation as specialists or magister. The number of homoeopathic pharmacies has increased as well as the demand for the practice.
Estonia

By Dr. Saima Tišler
LMHI Vice-President for Estonia

Summary

The EHU (Estonian Homeopathic Union) has been active and has held regular meetings and patients’ discussions. Since early 2021, in person meetings have resumed four times a year. The number of LMHI members and the number of general members within EHU has stayed the same. Those still active, have been regularly participating in the union’s activities. Different homeopathic unions have organised several seminars and courses. In 2020/2021, seminars have been held in homeopathic unions Sternum, Okobeebi, and Väike-Uba. In addition, homeopathic courses have been organised with company Heel. While considering different schools that have influenced homeopaths in Estonia, the Belgian-Russian, Finnish, Mr. Vithoulkas’ (Greek) and British schools have remained the most dominant. Dr Kubasheva from the school of Dr George Vithoulkas will be holding an online seminar in Moscow. Articles have been published on the benefits of using homeopathy in different cases. Moreover, articles on veterinary homeopathy have been published on treating cats, dogs and horses. Since 2008, Estonian Qualification Authority has yielded 15 Homeopathic Qualifications. I also participated Mr. Vithoulkas’ online seminar in February 2021.

Homeopathic Medical Association- LMHI Institutional Member

Eesti Homöopaatia Ühing (Estonian Homeopathic Union)
Osja tee 8, Tallinn 12013
e-mail: saimatisher@gmail.com
Chair: Dr. Saima Tišler
Number of LMHI members: 10
Total number of members: 18

All Homeopathic Medical Associations Registered in the Central Commercial Register

Eesti Homöopaatia Ühing (Estonian Homeopathic Union)
Osja tee 8, Tallinn 12013 (last year Estonian Homeopathic Union celebrated its 20th anniversary)
Eesti Arstide-Homöopaatide Liit (Association of Estonian Doctors-Homeopaths)
Tuulemae 5, Tallinn 1141
OU Paratsels Grupp, Pae tn 25, Tallinn
AS Aconit, Võru tn 11, Tallinn
Arengukeskus Avitus, Tuulemaa 12, Tallinn 10312
Akadeemiline Homöopaatia Selts (Academic Homeopathic Society)
Pajupea küla, Rae vald, Harjumaa 75301 (deleted from the register on 03.05.2012)
Homöopaatia Arenduse Ühing (Union of Homeopathic Development)
Nelgi 56, Tallinn 11211 (deleted from the register on 30.05.2012)

Pharmacy

AS Aconit sells Heel medicines in Tallinn, Estonia, and has registered a couple of new medicines. However, the closest official homeopathic pharmacies outside Estonia are located in Helsinki, Finland and Riga, Latvia. In addition, different homeopaths order homeopathic medicines from different countries, e.g. Greece, Austria, Belgium, England, Latvia and the Netherlands, depending on the homeopath.

Professional Homeopathic Qualifications

Currently, no legislation as such on practising homeopathy has been transposed by the Government of Estonia. However, homeopaths can apply for an official professional qualification for proving the quality level of their services.

The Homeopath II and III qualifications are awarded by the Estonian Qualification Authority, with II being the lower and III the higher level of the standard. The Estonian Qualification Authority has approved a set of educational requirements for the eligibility criteria of the qualifications. These requirements were put together by a working group consisting of a range of specialists representing the field of homeopathy.

The draft for the standard was composed between 15 August to 31 October 2006. The standards were written in accordance with WHO development strategies (WHO Strategy for Traditional Medicine/ Complementary and

The Homeopath II and III professional qualification standards were confirmed by the Estonian Qualification Authority on 28 September 2008 and added to its official professions registry. Since 2008, the Estonian Qualification Authority has awarded 15 Homeopathic Qualifications.

Further information on the Homeopath II and III qualifications can be found on the Estonian Qualification Authority’s website:

http://www.kutsekoda.ee/en/index

The Estonian Qualification Authority also provided comments on the professional standard for the services of medical doctors with additional qualification in homeopathy, proposed by CEN.

Courses and Conferences

A new direction has appeared: there is a lot of homeopathic treatment combined with other natural methods, for example, acupuncture, phytotherapy, aromatherapy, leech therapy. In Estonia, healing with salt and crystal therapy, also with music therapy has gained more popularity. During 2019, in Estonia, Tallinn a veterinary clinic appeared where they use homeopathic treatment (Kopli Veterinary Clinic, Kopli 100C Tallinn). Also, private praxis are healing pets with homeopathy, for example, Agne Kandima (since 2009). A new homeopathic medicine studio was created in Kuusalu in 2020.

Publications in Media

Available online.

Please contact me for further information.
Georgia

Ketevan Shavgulidze,
NVP, Georgia

LMHI society in Georgia is represented by 14 homeopathic physicians. Mostly, Georgian homeopaths have had private medical practices and have a narrow pool of patients. The portion of homeopathic treatment healthcare system in the country remains miserable and homeopathy considered as a kind of alternative, “not justified and non-scientific” treatment method that is tolerated, but not permitted in hospitals or primary care clinics. Only few private multidisciplinary clinics have homeopathic offices. In the year 2021 treatment of patients with COVID-19 was in priority for us and dealt successfully, all with positive outcome. Notably to mention, that we used efficiently mini repertory, created and developed by LMHI team.

However, due to the reason, mentioned above, no effective collaboration regarding treatment of coronavirus disease could be established with healthcare system to the subject: some examples of collaborative approach occurred based on private contacts and couldn’t change the overall situation. Also, media appearances of homeopathic doctors, what happened occasionally, or rare press or internet publications do not get positive feedback from society and media - this is what has been experienced in the country for years.

Despite of many frustrating factors and attitudes, Georgian homeopaths do their job and have good results appreciated by the patients. We try to find a way to prove society and officials that homeopathic treatment would be considered as truly effective part of country’s Healthcare system.”

Best regards,
Ketevan Shavgulidze,
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On behalf of Greek homeopathic societies, we continue our educational program. HHMS merged the two classes (1st and 2nd year) from Athens and Thessaloniki to one class altogether (zoom). We had seminars all over the year (zoom). We had also international symposiums with professors of medicine for the current situation (COVID19). We sent again to CDC of Greece our willingness to participate to the treat of COVID19 patients in Hospitals. No response yet. We kept a low profile for the obligation to vaccinate. However we tried our best for the consequences of COVID19 as well as side effects of the vaccine. We exchange this information via Vithoulkas Compass (Lefteris Tapakis) as well as via Clificol (Spyros Kyvelos). There were some suggestions for homeopathic remedies as a replacement for COVID19 vaccination. We (as HHMS) don’t endorse it overall. We hope next year a better outcome of the pandemic.
Italy

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In 2020-2021, the pandemic conditioned the activities, which had to be cancelled (Hahnemann Day and FIAMO Annual Congress in 2020) or planned in respect of government dispositions (e.g., teaching was given only online).

**April 8th, 2021** - FIAMO (Italian Homeopathic Federation) celebrated Hahnemann Day all over the Country showing the French film: “L’Homeopathie, une autre voie – Homeopathy, another way” through Zoom platform. Following the projection, connected spectators and homeopaths held a forum regarding the topic.

**2021** - The FIAMO Annual Congress was replaced by four online seminars on human and vet clinical methodology and cases (a seminar was given by NVP), included by Minister of Health in 2021 agenda for Continuing Medical Education.


**Roma, 27.12.2021**

1821 - The Austrian Army occupied Naples, some military physicians were homeopaths who educated the first Italian homeopaths: dr. Francesco Romani, dr. G. Mauro, dr. C. M. de Horatiis, and others. Romani and De Horatiis educated Dr. De’ Guidi who introduced Homeopathy to France. De’ Guidi cured B. J. Mure, who introduced Homeopathy to Brazil, Malta, Egypt; De’ Horatiis introduced Homeopathy to Spain and Romani to Great Britain. It can be said that Naples helped to spread Homeopathy to Europe and South America!

2021 - The relevant Italian Minister of Economic Development refused to issue a commemorative stamp celebrating the bicentenary (1821-2021) of Homeopathy in Italy, as proposed by Prof. Francesco Negro (Director of Museo dell’Omeopatia in Piazza Navona, Rome) supported by NVP.

September 21st 2021 - Republic of San Marino (it boasts long-standing stamp tradition, highly valued by philatelists) issued three commemorative stamps dedicated to the Italian anniversary, designed by artist Sandro Fabbri. In the past, only Germany, Brasil, India and the Principality of Monaco, dedicated stamps to Hahnemann and Homeopathy.

The first stamp – widening falls - is a symbol of dynamization. The second one – an abstract shape of a human being – symbolizes individuality and the vital force; the third one – similar colors fading into each other – stands for the similitude.

FIAMO (Italian Homeopathic Federation) planned the celebration of the anniversary on January 15th 2022 through a national online meeting: “Homeopathy: 200 years in Italy. Stories of lives and cures”.
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There has been no change in the difficult situation of homeopathy in Japan over the last 10 years. There is no legal regulation of homeopathy in Japan. In addition, homeopathic medicines are not recognized as medicines by the Japanese Ministry of Health. The Japanese government only allows doctors to provide medical care to patients, usually in conventional therapy. However, following several medical accidents caused by non-physician homeopaths (in 2008), it has been recognized in the Japanese medical community that there is no scientific ground for effects of homeopathy. The population of people who know about homeopathy firsthand is only about 0.4%. As the only organization consisting of only medically certified members, the JPSH is committed to the correct dissemination and development of homeopathy in the context of the integrative medicine movement in Japan.

Members: 134 LMHI members of JPSH
Activities: The 19th Annual Congress of the JPSH in October 2021.
Publications and Magazines: JPSH will publish “Homeopathic Medicine vol.12” in July.

Ronko Itamura, M.D., Ph.D., MFHom
NVP for Japan
Senior Director and Dean of the Japanese Physicians Society for Homeopathy (JPSH).
After some reforms in Health Care Ministry of Lithuania, homeopathy remains a sub-specialty for medical doctors. Legally only doctors can practice homeopathy here. Initial 250+ hours of university-level training are required for a doctor to get a license to practice Homeopathy. Then additional 36 hours in 5 years period of conferences and seminars are needed to extend the license.

Unfortunately, no University-level courses have been held recently – mainly due to covid-19 restrictions.

There are two main organizations

1. Lithuanian Homeopaths’ Association (LHA) was founded in 1992. Officially it still exists, but unfortunately, it has not gathered for several years.

2. Homeopathy and Homotoxicology Association holds conferences 2-3 times a year and unites about 120 doctors (including homeopaths) and 60 pharmacists.

There are 3 homeopathic pharmacies that manufacture remedies prescribed by homeopaths. All of them are located in Kaunas city. Remedies are manufactured according to EU pharmacopoeias. By the way, one of pharmacies is located at Lithuanian University of Medical Sciences in the new building of Faculty of Pharmacy.

With best regards,

Simonas Stankunas
The general population continues to seek homeopathic treatments in the COVID-19 pandemic. Both to treat the disease and to prevent it. This has been the case with patients who have always used homeopathy previously as well as patients who have the first approach to homeopathic medicine. Telephone assistance at the National Homeopathic Hospital has ended as the population is more informed of what to do. Restrictions continue in most public places in the country.

There have been a couple of virtual homeopathic congresses and a face-to-face/virtual one by Homeopatía de México A.C. in August 2021 in Tequesquitengo Morelos, with the attendance of 100 homeopathic physicians in an open place outdoors where experiences were shared about the pandemic with respect to homeopathic treatment against SARS VOC 2 disease and as well as the prevention of the disease with homeopathic medicines. General educational, doctrinal and medical topics were also discussed.

Studies continue to be made on the study of the disease and its sequelae with homeopathic medical treatments, as well as the results of immunizations in the population.

The project to create a Federation of the different homeopathic schools and institutions in the country continues.

Mexico participated in the first global colloquium of the LMHI held in December, both with registered participants and speakers in the virtual meeting.
Moldova

Homeopathy has begun to be practiced in the Republic of Moldova since the 1991 when a Department of Traditional Medicine (nowadays Alternative and Complementary Medicine) was founded within the Nicolae Testemitanu State University of Medicine and Pharmacy of the Republic of Moldova, with graduate and postgraduate educational programs developed for specialists in alternative and complementary medicine, which varies from optional courses within the undergraduate medical curriculum, to full-time postgraduate diplomas with formal medical specialty status till 2008.

Nowadays, we maintained the curriculum of courses of specialization and improving in homeopathy, as follows:
- Initiation course in alternative medicine (homeopathy included) with a total duration of 2 months (312 credits).
- Certification level course – total duration of 2 months (312 credits) to acquire the legal right to practice.
- General training for doctors with competence in homeopathy (2-3 modules every year).
- Compulsory course Alternative and Complementary Medicine (homeopathy included) for students integrate study Faculty of Medicine, Study program Medicine (60 hours).
- Free choice courses Alternative and Complementary Medicine (homeopathy included) for students Study program Stomatolgy (60 hours), Study program Preventive medicine (90 hours), Study program Radiological technology (90 hours), Study program Optometry (90 hours), Study program General Medical Assistance (90 hours).
- Course Alternative and Complementary Medicine (homeopathy included) for Residence (postgraduate study) Study program Medical Rehabilitation (30 hours).

In The Republic of Moldova homeopathy can be practiced only by qualified and licensed allopathic physicians. Here exists a certification system – Republic Commission for Attestation and Merit Rating. Public health authorities certify potential candidates as having the requisite professional skills in alternative and complementary medicine (homeopathy included).

There is one unified professional medical association in the Republic of Moldova – The Association of Alternative and Complementary Medicine – that unites practitioners of medical acupuncture, homeopaths and herbalists. The Association organizes seminars for doctors during the year, where homeopaths meet and share information about cases, remedies, news in homeopathy in our country and over the world.

In 2008, at the 63rd Congres, homeopaths from the Republic of Moldova became a members of LMHI. Now we have a total of 34 members. From 1997 to 2014 we published the national medical scientific journal “Alternative Medicine: clinical physiology and methods of treatment” – an edition designed for specialists in alternative medicine, neurology and clinical physiology. The journal published official papers as well as independently submitted scientific articles, clinical studies and cases, lectures, methodological guides, reviews etc.

In 2004 the National Council for Attestation and Accreditation assigned scientific research cod to Alternative Medicine. This has allowed conducting broad clinical and experimental scientific research in this area. Moldavian homeopaths also attended international courses, conferences, seminars and congresses in Romania, Greece, India, Ukraine, Russia etc. In 2020-2021, our doctors had more opportunities to attend various events thanks to the online format. Our homeopaths participated in the LMHI Colloquium.

Obviously we need a further development of policies and regulations on CAM, a more wide dissemination of alternative medicine methods.
Russia

Prof. Leonid Kosmodemyansky, MDSc

Russian Homoeopathic Community is represented in LMHI by 4 collectives (institutional) members (Russian Homoeopathic Society (RHS), Russian Homoeopathic Association (RHA), National Council for Homoeopathy, St-Petersburg Homoeopathic Society).

Every year in January we held the All-Russian International Scientific-Practice Conference “Development of Homeopathic Method in Modern Medicine”, organized by the Russian Homoeopathic Society and Russian Friendship University. The same event is organized by St. Petersburg’s Homoeopathic Society in July jointly with North-West State Medical University named by Mechnikov. Russian Homoeopathic Association continues charitable monthly Homeopathic Seminars for homeopathic doctors. In October, we all held the National Day of Russian Homeopathy with the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the RHA and RHS.

Much attention was paid to the treatment of the Covid-19 epidemic and rehabilitation. Next year, 2022, we will celebrate the anniversary of the famous Russian homeopath Semen Korsakov at the Homeopathic Conference 28-29 January 2022 and spend the whole next year under the NAME of Semen KORSAKOV.

We are trying to restore the homestead and the church at the place of his burial and call on everyone to respond, help in this work and hold events in their countries dedicated to the memory of Semen Korsakov.
Slovenia

National Vice President for Slovenia: Mrs Irena Gorišek, M.D.

SUMMARY OF REPORT

In short – since our last report, there has been nothing really new.

The legal status of homeopathy in Slovenia did not change since our last report. Only medical doctors with additional qualification in homeopathy are allowed to practice homeopathy, but they are not allowed to practice conventional medicine and their medical licence is revoked. They have to acquire “healer’s” licence. Physician cannot be degraded to “healer” (“heilpraktiker”, lay practitioner), if he/she is, than she/he as a “healer” is not legally allowed treat patients, prescribes homeopathic or any other medicinal products for use in human medicine etc. This situation is absurd, unconstitutional and unlawful.

To change this unconstitutional situation the government has to prepare the final draft of Act on complementary, traditional and alternative forms of diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation.

LMHI MEMBERS IN 2021

The list of medical doctors was submitted to the LMHI Treasurer and LMHI Secretariat on March 25, 2021 and the membership fee was paid on March 25, 2021.

ORGANIZATION

Slovensko homeopatsko društvo (SHD) is the LMHI institutional member, full member of the European Committee for Homeopathy (ECH) and it is the only homeopathic medical association in Slovenia. It was established on May 6, 1992.

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Representative in the LMHI:
National Vice President for Slovenia: Mrs Irena Gorišek, M.D.

Members of the SHD Executive Board:
Mrs Irena Gorišek, M.D., President
Mr Miloš Žužek, M.D., Secretary General Mrs Špela Peternelj, M.D., Member
South Africa

We set some ambitious goals last year, goals I am proud to share have been achieved and if not yet achieved, we are certainly well on our way to making the appropriate advances that will make these goals a reality.

HOW HAVE WE ACHIEVED OUR GOALS IN 2021

My goal as president of the Association was to achieve this level of co-ordination and collaboration within our association. I am happy to report that at the very least our aim at cohesiveness and our target of unified action is growing in numbers throughout our association and in all its initiatives.

The HSA eCongress 2021 Organising Committee who brought us our very first eCongress in 2021. This group of homoeopaths flew the HSA flag high and have given us a congress of the finest quality in truly unchartered territory, in a theme that could not have been more relevant for the times: United in Our Diversity. We hosted the likes of Dr. Vithoulkas, Dr Massimo Mangialavori and Dr. Gyan Wadhwani our international speakers amidst the finest selection of South African Homoeopaths who drove home the fact that Homoeopathy in South Africa is alive and thriving!

The HSA Congress 2023 Organising Committee has been formalised and mobilised. We look forward to meeting face to face at our 2023 Congress in Johannesburg. Following inspiration from the HSA eCongress 2021, the tales of homoeopaths whose success was inspired by the gift of mentorship, have sparked our 2023 OC to initiate a mentorship within the HSA that can assist our new practitioners in their own journey of their success stories.

HSA MEMBERSHIP 2021

It is a key goal of the Association to grow our membership within South Africa and while we did not reach the goal set by myself and EXCO, in 2020, I am happy to report a 20% increase in total members at mid-July 2021. The HSA should represent all homoeopaths registered in South Africa and it is up to each one of us registered in South Africa to make this a reality.

THE INTERNSHIP

The concept of running an internship was drafted by the HSA and presented to the AHPCSA with offer to assist with its implementation and resources where possible. This was an issue that lingered for over a decade. It was finally this year, with the careful, patient, collaborative and committed contribution
of Dr. Brigitte Spitze (Chairperson of Education), Dr. Loretta Ferrucci (Chairperson of Finance) and Dr. Natalie Di Gaspero (assistant to the Chairperson of Education) that the HSA Internship was finally brought to life. With the contribution of our members, and with this fine display of commitment, no matter the level of challenge that was faced, our first Internship has successfully been offered.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, while the year ahead may not hold significantly different goals than those of 2021, our challenge this coming year will rather be to keep the pace at which the balls are rolling, to maintain the enthusiasm and commitment as shown by each member of the NB and each practitioner in subcommittees, and to hold the space for growth of our initiatives, our ideas and membership.

While maintaining this high pace of work and collaboration we now need time to see the germination of the seeds we have sown and ultimately reap from the fruits of all of our labour. We need to look to matters that have stagnated and once again light the fire beneath them, so to speak, so as to move them from their unfortunate and undesired stagnation.

We must find appropriate support and guidance so that we may forge ahead and bring about the changes that our profession has been calling for, for years, for the greater good of homoeopathy in South Africa. To our international family let us continue to collaborate, network, support, encourage, defend and grow. Let us continue to unite in our diversity, in adversity, in all our glorious colours, cultures and beliefs! We must firmly plant homoeopathy in the soil of our lands, in the texts of our laws and in the minds of all who seek healing from homoeopathy!
Switzerland

Dr. med. Kyriaki Stefanidou board member of the Swiss Association of Homeopathic Physicians (SVHA)

Another year passed in the shadow of the pandemic. During all this time, the efforts of the council continued tirelessly. a. To collect data on the course and treatment of the pandemic but also to the side effects of the vaccines b. To inform our members through regularly zoom meetings to promote the interaction and exchange of views between them. c. To come out to the scientific community with scientific data that can enable homeopathy to take its rightful place in the therapy panel for this pandemic. and d. to get contact and organize international meetings.
The SVHA statement for members and the general public wants to raise awareness and affirm homeopathy can help in this pandemic, but also keep a low profile to avoid possible attacks, or being ridiculed by the media.
Number of Members (SVHA): 170
Organizations:
NATIONAL ORGANIZATION (SVHA)
SCHWEIZ. VEREIN HOM. ÄRZTINNEN UND ÄRZTE (SVHA)
SOCIÉTÉ SUISSE DES MÉDECINS HOMEOPATHES (SSMH)
SOCIETÀ SVIZZERA DEI MEDICI OMEOPATI (SSMO)
SWISS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS

ACTIVITIES AND DEVELOPMENT
Y. Gilli, member of SVHA and holder of SVHA homeopathy certificate, was elected President of the FMH (Swiss Medical Association) as the first woman and Homeopath
Homeopathy, as a compulsory elective project for the master’s degree in human medicine at the University of Base: The project started last year and had 20 registrations within a short period of time. The next semester (February 2022 will also take place)
The delegates of the Swiss Society for General Internal Medicine (SGAIM) elected Prof. Dr. med. Pierre-Yves Rodondi, family doctor and professor for family medicine at the University of Friborg, as a board member. From January 2021, he brings his expertise in the field of medical education to the board of the largest medical society.As a member of the SGAIM further education commission and as one of the persons responsible for the master’s degree in medicine with a focus on family medicine at the University of Freiburg, as well as his work in research and teaching, Prof. Dr. med. Pierre-Yves Rodondi has a great deal of expertise in the field of medical education
IKIM: The homeopathy / potentiated substances department is headed by St. Baumgartner, who is also the deputy director of the IKIM. A. Tournier is responsible for basic research. A successor to Klaus v.Ammon, unfortunately couldn’t be found.
Foundation of a research task force (K. v. Ammon, H. Malchow, G. Etter)
At the JhAS in April 2021, G. Etter was able to lead a workshop on complementary medicine, present homeopathy in a practical manner and present the curriculum up to the FA homeopathy in the subsequent “marketplace”
Internal application monitoring.
Promotion of young doctors, pharmacists and veterinarians: SVHA ACADEMY. Ditto naturopath.
Promotion of young academics at the IKIM: doctorate, postdoc, habilitation.
Review of published studies in KM at the IKIM: project in progress. FMH cost contribution of CHF 10,000 secured.
Task Force Research SVHA for further application observations and individual case studies (IKIM). Ev. Study together with Prof. Ph. Tarr.
There is a national research project in Switzerland: Vademecum

HOMEOPATHIC PUBLICATIONS

The journal Primary and Hospital Care published an entire article on complementary medicine including homeopathy on the subject of “Complementary therapeutic approaches for influenza, influenza and COVID-19” in March 2021, led by B. Huber.

IKIM: Stefan Baumgartner works very intensively for possible explanation and prove the effect of homeopathic medicines with well thought-out experiments.
Primary and Hospital Care: COVID-19, Influenza and flu-like illnesses.
Primary and Hospital Care: Influenza vaccination: Critical assessment and practical recommendations

The Research Task Force with H. Malchow and K. v. Ammon continued their work. Three Sars-CoV-2 projects were initialized and carried out. The first results of the internal application monitoring were communicated in the Zoom meetings and at the general assembly.

All IKIM publications can be found in the Bern Open Repository and Information System BORIS at: www.boris.unibe.ch
The direct link to the IKIM is: https://boris.unibe.ch/view/divisions/DCD5A442BEF6E17DE0405C82790C4DE2.html

JOURNALS

Bulletin SVHA/SSMH/SSMO: official publication of our homeopathic medical association once a year
AKTUELL, 2/year, homöopathic patients organisation (Homöopathie Schweiz); https://www.homoeopathie-schweiz.org/aktuell/zeitschrift.html
Millefolia, Das Schweizer Newsportal für Komplementärmedizin DAKOMED https://www.millefolia.ch

November 2021,
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It's been a while since the UK provided an update to Liga letter, so I've included a bit of history. The Faculty of Homeopathy was founded in 1844, and incorporated by Parliament in 1950. It is recognised by the General Medical Council. Its membership comprises of statutory registered healthcare professionals including medical doctors, dentists, vets, nurses and so on. Our peer review journal 'Homeopathy', published by Thieme, has now attained an Impact Factor of 1.524. We are pleased to announce His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales became Patron of the Faculty of Homeopathy since June 2019, on the 175th anniversary of our institution.

As with all other homeopathic organisations, the Faculty of Homeopathy strived to support its members as much as possible during the Covid-19 pandemic and lockdown. Normally congresses take place every 2 years, and after our highly successful Liverpool congress in Oct 2018, we were looking forward to 2020. The pandemic shifted the goalposts, and we ended up holding our 99th congress online last October 2021. More events are being planned this year. Watch out also for news on our future 100th congress next year!

We launched a series of free online webinars and a variety of members shared their Covid-19 learning & training materials through our website members’ section. Many members continued to manage patients remotely, it was a steep learning curve in developing remote technology. Obviously, this has enabled us to continue an active programme of continual professional development for our members by online platforms. We are actively developing a rich CPD online resource, which will also become available for non-Faculty members later this year.

It is with great mourning that we remember Dr. Peter Antony Goodwin Fisher, a highly regarded and prominent senior Faculty fellow as well as homeopathic physician to Queen Elizabeth II. Peter died on 15th Aug 2018 in a cycling accident. The role of President of the Faculty passed to Dr Gary Smythe. After what may have been a biased public consultation by the NHS Clinical Commissioners, the decision was taken at the end of 2018 to remove homeopathic and various herbal medicines off the reimbursable NHS prescription list. A judicial review challenge by the charity British Homeopathic Association was rejected by the High Court in May 2018. This effectively blocked the effectiveness of the few homeopathic clinics that were still running within the NHS. To compensate for the lack of homeopathic treatment to those most needy and without the funds, some low cost and free homeopathy clinics have since been organised by the charity (renamed as Homeopathy UK) across various locations within the UK.

The Faculty of Homeopathy has two accredited training providers within the UK: the ‘National Centre for Integrative Medicine’ based in southwest England (Bristol) and ‘Centre for Integrative Medical Training’ based in Scotland. Information about online training is available from their websites.

Website references:
Centre for Integrative Medical Training: www.rlhh-education.com
Faculty of Homeopathy https://facultyofhomeopathy.org
Homeopathy (Journal) www.thieme.com/homp
Homeopathy UK (formerly British Homeopathic Association), charity. https://homeopathy-uk.org
National Centre for Integrative Medicine: https://ncim.org.uk
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At the present time it is the only teaching Center of Homeopathic Medicine. Our association develops and promotes scientific research in the field of Homeopathy, perform postgraduate courses with Continuing Medical Education.

Promote the knowledge of Homeopathy to the public in general through magazines, radio, television, social networks AMHU provides medical care to low-income population.

Very important legal progress has been achieved. From 2007 to the present it works the Commission and Advice on Traditional, Alternative and Complementary Medicine at Ministry of Public Health.

In 2009 HOMEOPATHY is decreed as a MEDICAL ACT and in 2016 the Executive Power approves a Decree that establishes a Regulatory Framework for the preparation and registration of Homeopathic Medicine.

Meetings were held with Private University of Medicine, for an Introduction to Homeopathic Medicine course.

Since 2008, Homeopathy is present in the Veterinary University. In 2019: The “Specialty in Homeopathy” was inaugurated at the Hospital of Veterinary Medicine Courses will be started for agronomists for their training in Homeopathy.

Meetings have been held with different teachers from the departments of the University of Agronomy.

The AMHU was declared of social interest by the Ministry of Education and Culture.
CALL FOR ELECTIONS
LMHI Executive Committee Elections

Turkey – September 2022
13th of April, 2022

Dear colleagues,
The 75th LMHI Congress will be held September 7-10, 2022 in Istanbul, Turkey. Please note that the International Council Meeting 2022 will take place on 5th of September 2022 at 9:30-18:00, Congress Venue (Hilton Istanbul Maslak) in Istanbul. The place will be announced in the next Newsletter and with mail to the NVP’s / NCP’s. During the International Council meeting elections of all the LMHI Executive Committee posts (including Secretaries) will take place. Experienced and skilled LMHI full members who would like to stand as candidates for any open LMHI Executive Committee and Secretary position should send their application letters and CVs, no later than June 15th, 2022 to both the e-mail addresses simultaneously: general-secretary@ligamedicorum.org and lmhi.assistant@gmail.com. The application letter should express the motivation and reasons for the candidacy in a short and clear way. It is advisable that the candidate for a post on the Executive Committee has been a member of the LMHI at least for three years.
The candidates should be aware that all the posts are on voluntarily basis demanding the high level of commitment and altruism for the fulfilment of the daily tasks and management of the organisation. The general secretary will distribute the list of Executive Candidates to all members of the International Council with the agenda that is mailed one month prior to the International Council Meeting.
We look forward to your applications and to involvement of new members within the LMHI Executive Board and Secretaries.

Dr. Bernardo A Merizalde, MD
General Secretary
75th World Congress of Homeopathy

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Bridge between past and future
Dear Colleagues and Friends

It is an honor and a pleasure for me to welcome you to the 75th World Congress of Homeopathy which will be held on September 7 - 10, 2022.

Anatolia has been the cradle of several ancient civilizations. The collective consciousness of the area has given birth to many discoveries, innovations and new medical practices by such brilliant thinkers and philosophers as Avicenna, Pedanius Dioscorides, Claudius Galen, İbnu'l Baytar and Hippocrates. Pergamum, birth place to Galen and the practice of medicine, was its center of and bridged the transfer of knowledge from East to West.

Our congress will be held in this ancient land where knowledge breathes from the soil and flows through the air. Hahnemann’s Homeopathic principles will be the central theme of the congress. If the roots of a tree are strong, the body and branches which lead to sky as well as the fruits will be powerful, healthy and nurturing. Not forgetting our roots and the historical inheritance delivered from Hahnemann, we design this congress to be the bridge to the other trends and branches that come out of the center.

We hope this congress may be the soil where we can discuss all the approaches which come from Hahnemann until today, and learn how to preserve and sustain our valuable fruits – which include providing health through the “quick and soft way”.

Turkey’s unique hospitality will welcome you all in Istanbul, shelter of historical treasure, cultural inheritance and natural beauty, nesting in the country where Asia and Europe unite.

Dr. Altunay Ağaoğlu
President of the Congress
President of the Classical Homeopathy Association

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