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# Pre-membership Course in Medical Homeopathy

A Blended Open-Learning Course in Homeopathic Medicine for Healthcare Professionals

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**Unit 58**  
*Materia medica Studies*

## *Spiders* (Dr Anton van Rhijn)

The general themes that are common to most spider remedies are as follows:



### *Personality*

Aggressive

- Industrious: - Busy. Renew (eat) web constantly. Issue with Music: Enjoy dancing.  
Isolation: - Difficult relationships (communication). Females not loved by their father.  
Interests: - UFO's. Knitting, Ropes / Strings.  
Sexuality: - Erythism, high desire but no love nor affection. Split love and sex.  
Dreams: - Flying, to find a dead person / friend.

Anxiety; Fear; Death; Sadness and Despondency.  
Problem getting older. Want to remain young

### *Tissue Affinity*

- PAIN: Oversensitive (Stinging).
- CNS: Sensitive: All senses: Aversion Touch / Jar (Vertigo).
- CVS: Angina. Septicaemia; Haemorrhages
- Skin: Suppuration.
- SAI: Sudden onset. Constriction.  
Abdomen uncomfortable - aversion to being Pregnant / Fat / Full = burden.
- OBS: Periodicity \_ Fever; Pain;  
Dyskinesia: Incoordination, Dysgraphia / Dysarthria  
Involuntary movements: Tics, Twitching, Chorea, Bruxism  
Restlessness (even in sleep)\_ Hyperactivity / Agitation.
- GENERAL: Energy: Active → Prostration. Chilly. Want to be covered. Sycotic miasm
- AGG: Cold; Damp; Jar; Touch; Tight Clothes; Eating;
- AMEL: Tobacco (smoking); Music;
- FOOD: Desire: Liquids (thirsty). Fruit.  
Aversion: Eat to survive - no pleasure (Solid food),

### *Clinical Indications*

Anorexia/ Bulimia; Hyperactivity, ADHD; DT's; Tardive dyskinesia; Parkinsonism;  
Meniere's disease; Tourette's Syndrome; Travel sickness; Chest remedies; Angina; Suppuration.

## Spiders (Biology / Natural History)



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v3HlwwJG85c>

### Illustrative Spider Case Study

In this video, Dr. Massimo Mangialavori talks about a girl suffering from Tourette's syndrome. He provides detail on the clinical assessment, narrative and symptoms of the girl that lead him to the *Aranea ixobola*. The case is finely explained eliciting the peculiar symptoms of the spiders and the remedy.



[https://youtu.be/\\_gRaGzEl\\_D4](https://youtu.be/_gRaGzEl_D4)

### Important spider remedies

*Aranea Diadema* \*  
*Aranea Ixolobo* \*  
*Aranerum Tela* (cobweb).  
*Latrodactus Kalipo*  
*Latrodactus Mactans* \*  
*Mygale Lasiodora* \*  
*Tarentula cubensis* \*  
*Tarentula Hispania* \*  
*Theridion curassavicum* \*

Check the materia medica of those marked \*



<https://www.homeobook.com/spider-remedies-in-homeopathy/>

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**Comparative materia medica of the spider remedies (repertory extraction)**

<https://youtu.be/HZlAeXh3uh8>



**Comparing Spider Remedy and Insect Remedy Themes by Carolyn Burdet**

<http://www.interhomeopathy.org/comparing-insect-remedy-and-spider-remedy-themes>



## Comparison between the three major Solanaceae and Tarentula

Solanaceae contain the alkaloids: Atropine / Hyoscyamine / Scopolamine  
This could explain why they have so much in common

Belladonna	Hyosciamus	Stramonium	Tarentula
Sudden & Violent Sensitive: Pain & Touch Throbbing & Cramping	Sudden & Violent Paralysis Tickling	Sudden & Violent Painless Constriction	Sudden & Violent Sensitive: Light & Noise Shooting iStitcfiing
Danger: Pursued enemies Delusion: Gallows	Danger: Be Poisoned Delusion: Plot against	Danger: Lost Wilderness Delusion: Lost_ Terror	Danger: Be Assaulted Delusion: Persecuted
Delirium +++ Hallucinations Answer: Hasty	Delirium +++ _ Short Hallucinations Muttering/ Irresolution	Delirium +++ Hallucinations Loquacious	Delirium + Hallucinations Reluctant to talk
Destructive / Cruel Violence (rage) alt. Fear Love Fire: Pyromania Fear: Dogs/ Ghosts	Destructive Violence alt. Timidity Fear: Medicine/ STD Fear: Cheated/Water	Destructive Violence alt. Hilarity Fear: Fire / Rush water Fear: Dark / Stranger	Destructive/ Impulsive Paradoxical Fear: Monster / Insanity Fear: Evil/ Misfortune
Dream: Flying Witches	Dream: Homicide/ Sex Sex: Lascivious / Naked	Dream: Nightmares	Dream: flying! Falling Sex: Strong desire
CNS: Spasms / Twitches	CNS: Spasms/ Twitches	CNS: Spasms / Twitches	CNS: Spasms/ Twitches
CVS: Congestion		CVS: Congestion	
Fever: High / Irregular	Fever: Low / Constant	Fever: High / Constant	
Restless: Escape bed	Prostrated: Quiet/ Stupid Pick bedclothes	Restless: Throws about I Grab object ! wring hands	Restless: Fruitless Wring band / pick finger
Dry MM, Face: Red Pupils: Dilated	Face: Pale / Sunken Pupils: Dilated	Dry MM, Face: Red Pupils: Dilated	Dry MM, Pupils: Unequal: R >L
< Cold / Draft / Touch < Lying / 15 + 24 Hrs > Warm / Cover/ Dark > Sitting / Rest	< Lying > Sitting	< Shiny objects / Tickled < Dark / Alone > Company / Light	< Cold/ Damp / Touch < Lying /Light/Company > Heat/ Music /Rubbing > Motion / Tobacco
Indifferent: Liquids	Aver: Liquids	Aver: Liquids	Aver: Solid

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