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Review Article

Importance of “Kent Repertory” and “concept of Modality” towards the analysis of case of Diseases

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ABSTRACT

The use of homoeopathic medicine requires skilful observation of specific characteristics feature of case of disease, to resolve it within the shortest period of time. While dealing with acute as well as chronic cases, requires focus attention of homeopathic physician on characteristic features of the case. Modalities are the one of the characteristic symptoms which helps to find prescribing totality in the case of disease. Most of the time these characteristic features are voluntarily narrated by patient himself or observed by homoeopathic physician. In this regards the homoeopathic text named 'repertory of homoeopathic materia medica' offers better and easy way to find the rubric of modalities within shortest period of time that helps to examine specific cases appropriately. Present article described the importance of “Kent repertory” and concept of modalities towards the analysis of case of diseases.

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Introduction

The homoeopathic Medical Science is one, which has holistic approach towards the treatment of case of diseases. Homoeopathic medicine acts dynamically and administered in the required potency and doses to cure the case of diseases, within shortest period of time. To minimize the time of finding similimum, founder of homoeopathy Dr. Hahnemann himself started indexing the symptoms of materia medica that is preparing repertory, as well as suggested different methodology of case analysis. Dr. Kent prepared repertory of homoeopathic materia medica in 1897, considered as milestone repertory in the history of homoeopathy. Whatever the works, i.e. repertories or homoeopathic software's are published afterwards have base of Kent repertory. Dr. Kent gives more importance to general symptom i.e. mental and physical, than particular symptoms. General symptoms plays vital role in a case analysis and treatment. Dr. Kent repertory have 37 section

out of which first and last section i.e. mind and generality respectively, remaining sections are devoted to the particulars. While the treating the cases homeopathically, modalities plays important role in finalizing similimum out of group of remedies arising after repertorisation. Modalities Helps to characterize the particular symptom, as well as act as a individualistic feature in general and narrows fields of selection of remedy i.e. helps to finalizing similimum. Renowned homoeopathic physician like Dr. Boger gives highest rank to modality in the case analysis. Considering these entire aspect present article described importance of Kent repertory along with causative modality towards the analysis of case of disease. Modality offers great advantages to find out similimum, as they form the core of totality which influence the choice of remedy¹⁻⁶. **Figure 1** depicted various types of modalities used for case analysis while treating the case of diseases.

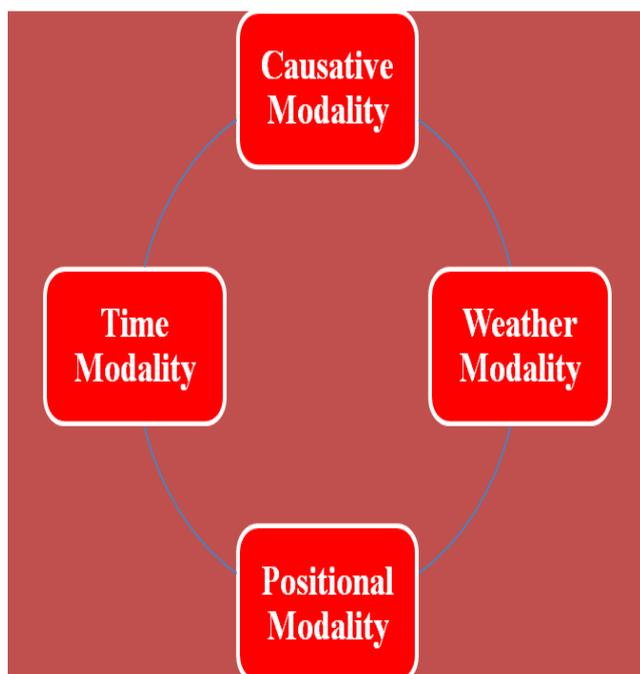


Figure 1: Various types of modalities used for case analysis of diseases.

Aims & Objective:

1. To study the causative modalities in a Generality section of Kent repertory.
2. To minimize the time required for selecting the modality rubrics for analysis of case.

Materials and Methods:

Textual Material described by Kent in his 'repertory of homoeopathic materia medica' was used for study purpose; various modalities have been selected for case analysis.

The various types of modalities are as follow used for case analysis while treating diseases:

- A .Causative modality
- B .Time modality
- C. Positional modality
- D .Weather modality

Present article summaries importance of causative modality that helps in the selecting similimum in case of disease. The alphabetical sequencing of these causative modalities is depicted in **Table 1**.

Table 1: Disease related Causative Modalities utilizes for case analysis, described in "Kent Repertory:

S. No.	Causative Modalities	S. No.	Causative Modalities
1.	Anaemia haemorrhage after.	216	Sexual excitement agg
2.	Air draft agg.	217	Shocks from injury
3.	Air Seashore agg	218	Shock electric like concussion of brain , from
4.	Autum agg, in	219	Silica , from over use
5.	ascending high, agg	220	Sleep, loss of from
6.	Alcoholic stimulant agg.	221	Smoke, agg
7.	Arsenical poisoning.	222	Snow air ,agg
8.	Bathing – agg	223	Spring in
9.	Bathing – cold agg	224	Summer in
10.	Breakfast, after agg	225	sun from expose to
11.	Bathing, Sea ,agg.	226	Tobacco, agg
12.	Carrying on back agg	227	Tobacco, chewing agg
13.	Carrying on head agg	228	Trembling, externally, forenoon exertion on
14.	Catalepsy fright, after	229	Trembling, externally, sleep after
15.	Catalepsy grief ,after	230	Trembling , externally evening walking after
16.	Catalepsy jealousy from	231	Trembling ,externally , night dreaming after
17.	Catalepsy joy from	232	Trembling ,externally, night sleep after
18.	Catalepsy love from unrequited	233	Trembling, externally , anger from
19.	Catalepsy religious excitement from	234	Trembling, externally, anxiety, from
20.	Catalepsy sexual excitement from	235	Trembling, externally, coughing from
21.	Chorea children who have grown too fast.	236	Trembling ,externally, eating ,after
22.	Chorea coition after (women)	237	Trembling, externally, emotion, after

23.	Chorea cold bath after	238	Trembling ,externally, exertion on slight
24.	Chorea dinner after.	239	Trembling ,externally, fatigue, after
25.	Chorea eating after	240	Trembling ,externally, fever, during
26.	Chorea emotional	241	Trembling ,externally, fright, from
27.	Chorea fright from	242	Trembling ,externally, hungry, when
28.	Chorea grief after	243	Trembling ,internally, joy from
29.	Chorea imitation from	244	Trembling ,internally, menses , before
30.	Chorea loss of animal fluids.	245	Trembling ,internally ,menses , during
31.	Chorea onanism from.	246	Trembling ,internally, menses, after
32.	Chorea pregnancy during	247	Trembling ,internally, mental ,exertion from
33.	Chorea rheumatic	248	Trembling ,internally, music
34.	Chorea spinal	249	Trembling ,internally, noise from
35.	Chorea suppressed	250	Trembling ,internally , nursing infant after.
36.	Chorea thinking of it, when	251	Trembling ,internally, pain, with the
37.	Chorea wet after getting	252	Trembling ,internally, sleep before
38.	Chorea worms, after	253	Trembling ,internally, sleep during
39.	Complaints, coal gas from	254	Trembling ,internally, smoking, from
40.	Collapse diarrhea after	255	Trembling ,internally, standing while
41.	Collapse general paralysis at beginning of	256	Trembling ,internally, something is to be done, when
42.	Collapse vomiting, after	257	Trembling, internally, stool after
43.	collapse vomiting , during.	258	Trembling internally, supper after.
44.	convulsion anger, after.	259	Trembling internally, thunderstorm
45.	convulsion apoplectic.	260	Trembling internally, touch, unexpected
46.	convulsion bending head backwards from.	261	Trembling internally, vexation from.
47.	convulsion bone in throat from.	262	Trembling internally, walking on
48.	convulsion bright light from.	263	Trembling internally, walking after.
49.	convulsion from cerebral softening.	264	Trembling internally, wine
50.	convulsion from changing in character.	265	Trembling internally, writing while
51.	convulsion children in approach of strangers from	266	Twitching , fright after
52.	convulsion chill during.	267	Twitching , sleep during
53.	convulsion closing a door on.	268	Twitching , on going to
54.	convulsion clonic coition during	269	Twitching , touch agg
55.	convulsion clonic coition after.	270	Uncleanliness agg
56.	convulsion clonic cold air from.	271	Uncovering agg.
57.	convulsion clonic cold drinks from	272	Uncovering , single part agg
58.	convulsion clonic cold becoming.	273	undressing , after ,agg
59.	convulsion colic , during	274	vaccination, after
60.	convulsion compression on spinal column.	275	varicose veins , pregnancy during
61.	convulsions coughing after.	276	vaults, cellars, etc ,agg
62.	convulsions dentition during.	277	vomiting , agg
63.	Convulsion, descending , agg	278	walking ,on

64.	convulsions drinking after.	279	walking agg.
65.	convulsions eating after.	280	walking ,beginning , agg
66.	convulsions epileptic excitement , from.	281	walking , in open air agg
67.	convulsions epileptic exertion after.	282	walking , fast , agg
68.	convulsions falling with	283	walking ,wind in , agg
69.	convulsions fluids from		
70.	convulsions fright from.	284	warm bed agg.
71.	convulsion grief after.	285	warm air agg.
72.	convulsions hemorrhage, with	286	warm becoming , in open air ,agg
73.	convulsions hysterical.	287	warm room agg.
74.	convulsions indigestion from	288	warm stove agg.
75.	convulsions indignation	289	warm wrap agg.
76.	convulsions injuries from.	290	weakness , enervation ascending stairs , from.
77.	Convulsions disappointed.	291	weakness , enervation bed , on , going, to
78.	convulsions menses before.	292	weakness , enervation ,beer, after
79.	convulsions menses during.	293	weakness , enervation , breakfast after
80.	convulsions menses after.	294	weakness , enervation ,breakfast time , about
81.	convulsions menses suppressed from.	295	weakness , enervation , cloudy damp weather in
82.	convulsions mental exertion, after.	296	weakness , enervation , coffee from odour of
83.	convulsions mercurial vapor from.	297	weakness , enervation , coition , after
84.	convulsions miscarriage after.	298	weakness , enervation ,cold weather ,in
85.	convulsions mortification.	299	weakness , enervation , convulsion , after
86.	convulsions nervousness from.	300	weakness , enervation , dampness , from exposure to
87.	convulsions noise from.	301	weakness , enervation , diarrhea , from
88.	convulsions odour from strong.	302	weakness , enervation ,dinner after
89.	convulsions onanism after.	303	weakness , enervation , dream after
90.	convulsions palpitation after.	304	weakness , enervation , eating after
91.	convulsions pregnancy during.	305	weakness , enervation , emission , after
92.	convulsions pressure on stomach, from.	306	weakness , enervation , erection , from
93.	convulsions punishment after.	307	weakness , enervation , excitement , after
94.	convulsions Running after.	308	weakness , enervation , excess, after any
95.	Convulsions sexual excitement from.	309	weakness , enervation , exertion , from , slight
96.	convulsions shining object from.	310	weakness , enervation , exhilaration after
97.	convulsions shocks after.	311	weakness , enervation , feet, while washing the
98.	Convulsions suppressed discharges..	312	weakness , enervation , fever , during
99.	copper fumes, agg	313	weakness , enervation , fever, after
100.	Dropsy Scarlet fever after.	314	weakness , enervation , following prolonged from
101.	Emaciation grief after.	315	weakness , enervation , food sour , from
102.	Emaciation, loss of animal fluid after	316	weakness , enervation ,fright from
103.	Exertion , physical , agg	317	weakness , enervation ,grief , from
104.	faintness air in open	318	weakness , enervation ,headache , from

105.	faintness, church in	319	weakness , enervation , heat , from
106.	faintness ,close room in	320	weakness , enervation , heat, bed of
107.	faintness ,Coition after	321	weakness , enervation ,heat, of sun
108.	faintness ,cold, from taking	322	weakness , enervation ,heat , hot room in
109.	faintness ,crowded room, in	323	weakness , enervation , heat , hot entering , from bed
110.	faintness ,Cardiac depression from	324	weakness , enervation , heat , summer of
111.	faintness ,chill during	325	weakness , enervation ,heat, thrills of heat , from
112.	faintness ,cough during	326	weakness , enervation , heat walk , heated , and rapid cooling after
113.	faintness, diarrhea , before	327	weakness , enervation ,hunger , from
114.	faintness, diarrhea , after	328	weakness , enervation ,lifting from
115.	faintness, dinner, during	329	weakness , enervation ,loss of sleep from
116.	faintness, dinner, after, when taking exercise in open air	330	weakness , enervation ,love , from unfortunate
117.	Faintness dark places in storm	331	weakness , enervation ,lying agg
118.	Faintness, discouraged when	332	weakness, menses ,before
119.	Faintness, eating before	333	weakness, menses , beginning
120.	Faintness, eating after	334	weakness, menses, during
121.	Faintness, emission, after	335	weakness, menses , after
122.	Faintness, eructation , after	336	weakness, enervation, mental exertion
123.	Faintness, excitement, on	337	weakness, enervation, mortification after
124.	Faintness, exertion on	338	weakness, enervation, motion from
125.	Faintness, fever , during	339	weakness, enervation, nervous
126.	Faintness, fright , after	340	weakness, enervation , , walk after
127.	Faintness, headache, during	341	weakness, enervation, nursing the sick from
128.	Faintness, heart, pressure, about, with	342	weakness, enervation, nursing women , in
129.	Faintness, hunger from	343	weakness, enervation, old people in
130.	Faintness, kneeling in church while	344	weakness, enervation, pain from
131.	Faintness, labor during	345	weakness, enervation, pain from in sacrum
132.	Faintness. Raising arms above head.	346	weakness, enervation ,paralytic
133.	Faintness. read, when attempting to while standing	347	weakness, enervation, paralytic, motion on
134.	Hemorrhage exertion , after.	348	weakness, enervation, perspiration from
135.	Heat, flushes of , eating after.	349	weakness, enervation, pleasure from
136.	Heat , flushes of anger after.	350	weakness, enervation, rapid
137.	Heat flushes, emotion from	351	weakness, enervation, reading from
138.	Heat flushes, exertion from least	352	weakness, enervation, reading a loud
139.	Heat , vital ,lack of walking after.	353	weakness, enervation, riding from
140.	Heat, vital , lack of during exercise	354	weakness, enervation, rising on
141.	Iron after abuse of	355	weakness, enervation, rising after
142.	Lassitude, coition , after.	356	weakness, enervation, rising on seat from
143.	Lassitude, conversation from.	357	weakness, enervation, sea bath after
144.	Lassitude, eating, after	358	weakness, enervation, sitting

145.	Lassitude, menses, before	359	weakness, enervation, sleep during
146.	Lassitude motion on.	360	weakness, enervation, sleep , after
147.	Lassitude sleep after.	361	weakness, enervation, sleep loss of from
148.	Lassitude, stool, after	362	weakness, enervation ,sleepiness, from
149.	Lassitude, stormy weather	363	weakness, enervation, sleepiness from as from
150.	Lassitude Talking after.	364	weakness, enervation, smoking from
151.	Lassitude warm room	365	weakness, enervation, somnambulism after
152.	Lassitude, warm weather	366	weakness, enervation, spring
153.	Lead, chronic effects of	367	weakness, enervation, standing
154.	Lifting , straining of the muscles tendons from	368	weakness, enervation, stomach pain in from
155.	Lying ,agg	369	weakness, enervation, stomach pain in from and back
156.	loss of fluids from.	370	weakness, enervation, stool ,before
157.	Measles , after	371	weakness, enervation, stool , during
158.	Menses, before	372	weakness, enervation, stool , after
159.	Menses, at the beginning of	373	weakness, enervation, stooping on
160.	menses ,during.	374	weakness, enervation, storm before and during
161.	Menses ,after	375	weakness, enervation, storm thunder storm , during
162.	Mercury , abuse of	376	weakness, enervation, sudden afternoon walking after
163.	Moonlight , agg	377	weakness, enervation, sudden chilliness , during
164.	Motion ,agg	378	weakness, enervation, sudden eruption come out after the
165.	Motion at beginning of agg	379	weakness, enervation, sudden sitting
166.	Motion of affected part agg	380	weakness, enervation, sudden walking from
167.	Narcotics , agg	381	weakness, enervation, supper , after
168.	Onanism from	382	weakness, enervation, talking , from
169.	Orgasm of blood after restless sleep	383	weakness, enervation, talking from of people from the
170.	Orgasm evening lying down after	384	weakness, enervation, tremulous dinner after
171.	Orgasm evening sexual excitement during	385	weakness, enervation, tremulous stool after
172.	Orgasm coition after	386	weakness, enervation, urination after
173.	Orgasm high, beer, after	387	weakness, enervation, urination after copious
174.	Orgasm disagreeable, news ,from	388	weakness, enervation, vexation after
175.	Orgasm eating, worm food while	389	weakness, walking on
176.	Orgasm emotion, after	390	weakness ,walking after
177.	Orgasm menses , before	391	weakness , walking from
178.	Orgasm menses , during	392	weakness, walking air open in
179.	Orgasm nervousness , from	393	weakness, walking breakfast after
180.	Orgasm sensual impression, from	394	weakness, walking cough and expectoration from
181.	Orgasm vexation , after	395	weakness, walking heat of sun in
182.	Orgasm walk , after long	396	weakness, walking house in
183.	Orgasm walking , after	397	weakness, walking menses during
184.	pain , parts recently lying on	398	weakness, walking rapidly

185.	pain, drawing menses, during	399	weakness, walking rapidly
186.	pain drawing menses motion on	400	weakness, walking riding after
187.	pain drawing rising after	401	weakness, walking storm before and during
188.	pain drawing weather bad agg	402	weakness ,worm, room in
189.	pain drawing motion on	403	weakness
190.	pain sore bruised internally insufficient sleep after	404	worm weather agg
191.	pain sore bruised internally coition after	405	Weakness , writing from
192.	pain sore bruised motion siesta , after	406	Weakness yawning , after
193.	pain ,sore bruised , stormy weather in	407	Weariness, conversation , from
194.	pain stitching , externally, vexation after	408	Weariness ,eating , while
195.	Pulsation externally , night , coughing , from	409	Weariness, eating , after
196.	Pulsation , externally , night , coughing , during	410	Weariness, eating , menses before
197.	Pulsation externally eating after.	411	Weariness, eating , menses ,during
198.	Pulsation , externally , excitement ,agg	412	Weariness, eating , menses ,after
199.	Pulsation ,externally, exertion	413	Weariness, mental exertion
200.	Pulsation , externally, headache	414	Weariness, playing piano
201.	pulsation , externally , menses , before	415	Weariness, reading from
202.	pulsation , externally , motion, agg	416	Weariness, sitting while
203.	pulsation , externally ,music ,agg	417	Weariness, standing when
204.	pulsation, pregnancy during.	418	Weariness, talking after
205.	Pulsation , externally , sleep , during	419	Weariness, walking after
206.	Pulsation ,externally, speaking in company while	420	Wet , application , agg
207.	Pulsation , externally , walking on	421	Wet, getting , agg
208.	Quinine abuse of	422	Wet, getting ,feet
209.	Reveling , night, from	423	Wet , getting , head
210.	Riding ,horse back , agg	424	Wet ,weather
211.	Riding , in wagons or n the cars	425	Windy and stormy weather
212.	Room full of people, agg	426	Winter in agg
213.	Scarlet fever , after	427	Wound , bits of poisonous animals
214.	Sexual , excess, after	428	Wound , constitutional effects of
215.	Sexual desire , suppression of agg	429	Wound, splinters , from

Conclusion:

The article suggested that causative modality are described in generality section of Kent repertory, these causative modalities helps to find out characteristics totality or prescribing totality of case of disease in a shortest period of time. The consideration of causative modalities described generality section of Kent repertory plays vital role towards the correct analysis of any case of a disease. The utility of Kent repertory with regards to causative modality is great while treating cases of variety of diseases.

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