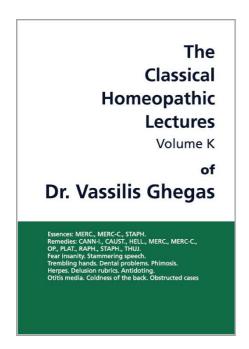
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## The Classical Homeopathic lectures of Dr. Vassilis Ghegas

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This series of volumes is the best written course on Classical Homeopathy that is available, both for the beginning and the experienced Homeopath; reason enough to buy the complete series.

**George Vithoulkas**: "As far as I have seen, Vassilis has given a correct presentation of what I have taught him over the years. I think he has produced a very well done and informative series of books which will be of great help to the homeopathic community.

**Roger Morrison:** "Vassilis Ghegas is one of the foremost homeopaths in the world. His teaching is direct and always based on the fact and experience – never theory or conjecture. These books contain thousands of the most useful pearls of knowledge of homeopathy. All practitioners and serious students of homeopathy should study these books."

Dr. Vassilis Ghegas M.D. was born in 1948 in Greece. During his medical studies, he came into contact with George Vithoulkas, who aroused his interest in classical homeopathy. After obtaining his doctor's degree he started a specialization, but after some time he left the hospital to study homeopathy with George Vithoulkas at the Athens School of Homeopathy. Vassilis Ghegas was one of the first and best students in the Athens School, while playing an active role in its organization. He treated his patients almost exclusively with homeopathy since 1974, first in his teacher's center and then in his own practice. After more than 40 years of practice and 20 years of teaching, Vassilis Ghegas is now retired.

As mentioned by Dr. Fons Vanden Berghe in the general preface of the volumes: Vassilis Ghegas

has given international seminars since 1984, first in London and later also in the Netherlands, Germany, Greece, Switzerland, the USA etc. From 1987 to 1992, he started a systematic course, organized by the School for Homeopathy in Bloemendaal, Netherlands. The course was continued from 1989 to 1992, but this time organized by Stichting Homeopathische Opleidingen (SHO) in Wageningen, Netherlands. From 1993 on he continued the seminar series in Enschede (Netherlands) and at other places. Every lecture of Dr. Vassilis Ghegas is highly recommended to be heard "live". All lectures complement each other. His style of teaching is very typical, humorous, and surprising, and his simple English is also easily understandable to non-native English-speaking people.

Dr. Fons Vanden Berghe was born on 4<sup>th</sup> April 1948 in Roeselare (Belgium). In 1985, after 8 years working in a conventional group practice, he followed a 3-year homeopathic training in the Athens School in Hechtel (Belgium) under Dr. Alfons Geukens, one of the first and best students of Prof. Vithoulkas. In 1988 he started his own training center in Genk (Belgium) where he trained 11 homeopaths including his two sons Tom and Koen. He gave many lectures and seminars at homeopathic schools in Belgium (V.S.U.) and the Netherlands (S.H.O.). He attended many seminars of George Vithoulkas and Vassilis Ghegas. In order not to lose the information taught by Vassilis Ghegas, he decided to publish all lectures based on his own notes and audio recordings of the lectures, and additional communication with Dr. Ghegas, this has been done with all lectures since 1984. After 40 years he has stopped the practice in Genk at the end of 2016. He translated 'The Science of Homeopathy', the best basic work on homeopathy by George Vithoulkas. He also translated Christiane Maute's book on homeopathy for plants: 'Homoöpathie für Pflanzen' He uses his extensive homeopathic experience to help both his sons Dr. Tom Vanden Berghe and Koen Vanden Berghe who work as homeopaths and to teach homeopathy at 'The School of Life'.

This series of books chronically follows Vassilis' seminars so that the keen reader can take advantage of this evolution. For that reason, this series is the best written course in Classical Homeopathy. Beginning student homeopaths can, via this series, practically learn how to use Kent's repertory and Boericke Materia Medica and also understand the practical application of The Organon and The Chronic Diseases by Dr. Hahnemann.

In these particularly didactic and systematic seminars, Vassilis gives us an enormous diversity of subjects from homeopathic practice. Overview of these volumes may be seen from www.lutrashop.com web shop – "All volumes topic summary."

In all the above, Vassilis carefully follows the Materia Medica of James Tyler Kent and William Boericke and Kent's Repertory.

Vol D: This volume does not contain much Materia Medica, you will find information that is necessary for the practice of homeopathic medicine. Vassilis calls it: How to take the case, how to handle the patient. Homeopathy is a science and an art. This book is about the art of obtaining good homeopathic information from our patients and the art of guiding the patient homeopathically to his cure.

Other volumes contain: The Essence of polychrests remedies (70), Differential diagnosis between polychrests, Complementary remedies of many remedies, Small Remedies, Remedies and their characteristic symptoms in specific diseases, Follow-up, Long-term follow-up, Philosophy and theory, The newborn, babies and children, Children remedies (more than 40), Discussion of clinical topics, Differential diagnosis of rubrics of the repertory and Golden tips.

In April 1997, four volumes of this lecture series A, B, C and D were sent by Dr. Fons Vanden Berghe to me, on my direct request to Dr. Vassilis Ghegas, since then I am using with confidence the information given in these volumes and afterward E, F, G, H, I and J volumes were received as soon as they published, On the occasion of the 10th anniversary of Homeo-Study run by Dr. Fons Vanden Berghe after a long delay Volume H and I were published in October 1999. In the year 2020, volumes K to R have been published but due to COVID19, these could be sent on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 reaching in India at my address in the first week of February 2021.

Upto now **18 volumes from A to R** translated from Dutch into English and checked by Vassilis himself are available. Remaining two volumes **S and T** will also be published in English. After the publication of **Volume J** in English in August 2000, further publication of English volumes was in pending. I am thankful to Dr. Fons Banden Berghe for considering my request to publish further **K** to **T** volumes in English. So in **2019**, he entrusted the publication work of these volumes to **Rene Otter partner of Radar opus**, Homeopathic Software.

Presently, Volume K to R have been published by Rene Otter of Lutra Services (Lutrashop.com) Netherlands. He has collected material, arranged and also finish proof reading task besides keeping full watch on contents and layout. I appreciate and congratulate him for his time and labour in producing such precious volumes to English language readers. Already published volumes (A to J) are also being published one after another in the new format and layout. The printing on fine art paper, fonts, binding and layout all are of excellent quality.

I highly recommend these A to R volumes of 'The Classical Homeopathic Lectures of Vassilis Ghegas' to students, teachers and seasoned Homeopathic practitioners. Price of each of these volumes is around 20€ (Euro).

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