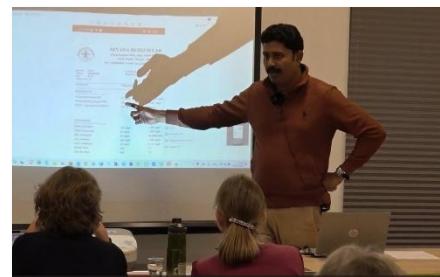


Case Study: Cancer of the Tongue

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With the remedy solution

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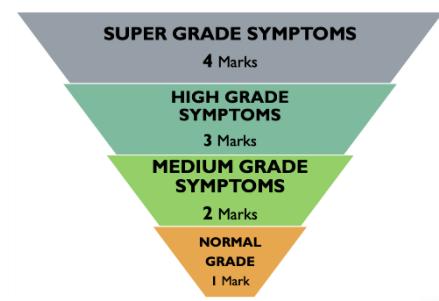
Introduction

This case explores the homeopathic management of an elderly patient with advanced tongue cancer. The approach highlights the importance of keen observation and repertory skills, especially when symptom information is limited.

The Practitioner's Perspective

As homeopaths, especially those practicing in larger cities, we encounter a wide range of cases, from acutes, severe physical pathologies and emotional complaints. It is essential to be well-rounded practitioner, capable of prescribing for all such conditions.

During his seminars Dr Veneeth discusses how to approach all such type of cases. The **Core Analysis approach**, based on Hahnemann's teachings, serves as a reliable guide.



Upcoming Seminar Highlights

At the [upcoming seminar \(28 & 29 Nov 2025\)](#) Veneeth will cover the following topics:

- Differentiating **Core Personalities** using rubrics and cross-references
- Identifying the **Core** of a (chronic and acute) case
- In-depth analysis of **emotional** and **complex cases**
- Application of the **Core Analysis** specifically to **asthma** and **rheumatic** cases

Case Presentation: Cancer of the Tongue

[View the video of the case here.](#)

Patient Profile

- Elderly lady
- Marked weakness
- Difficulty speaking
- Advanced cancer of the tongue

Observational Challenges

Due to the patient's condition, Veneeth was unable to obtain many symptoms, and he had to rely mostly on direct observation. This was an advanced cancer case, and there was not much information to select the remedy on, so you need to be a keen observer, and you need to know your repertory and *materia medica* thoroughly. He expected it to be only a palliative prescription, to reduce her pain.

Veneeth said: In such cancer cases, when the pain is severe, we do not need to find a deeper chronic core of the case. I take then only the present totality.



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Key Symptoms (Observed and Reported)

- Cancer of the tongue.
- Burning pain: The patient was able to tell that it was severe, and burning
- Putrid, offensive discharge from the mouth
- Induration of lymph nodes
- Induration and ulceration of the tongue
- Advanced cancer pathology, in an elderly lady.
- With much weakness,
- She had difficulty talking.

So Veneeth had to prescribe mainly on what he observed, and his experience with other types of cancer cases and *materia medica* knowledge.

In modern societies you might not see such cases with advanced cancer pathology in your homeopathic practice, because they will go into the mainstream system. But still such cases are interesting to learn from, because the homeopathic principles are the same whatever type of pathology it is. You will learn the *materia medica* in a way you will never forget it.

*You always need to be a keen observer, know the repertory well, and your *materia medica* knowledge need to be excellent !!*

The symptoms you could not observe from the video were:

- Burning pain
- Putrid discharge, offensive from the mouth
- Induration of the lymph nodes

Remedy Selection and Administration

Veneeth prescribed **Carbo animalis C30**, dissolved in water.

Due to the severe pain, the patient received one teaspoon every 30 minutes, with vigorous stirring before each dose, as advised by Hahnemann (you can also use a bottle and succus it before each dose a certain fixed number of times, but a bottle was not available at that time). It is always best if you can change the potency slightly before each dose, like Hahnemann started to do also for all his chronic cases from the 5th editions Organon onwards.

After two hours, the patient's pain subsided, and no further doses were given. Now almost four months later, she remains pain-free and comfortable.

This is palliative treatment, we cannot predict longevity, our goal is to ensure quality of life during her final period.

Reflections and Methodology

Whenever possible, I use a limited number of rubrics, those I am certain of.

I never use analyses with 30 or 40 rubrics which I see often students do. I always try to select the symptoms which represent the Core of the case, and seldom use more than maximum 10 symptoms. In this case, he used the **presenting symptoms** only.

Normally in other types of cases, in both acute and chronic treatment, it is crucial to evaluate the relative value of symptoms and focus on the **Core of the case**.

The repertory contains several other rubrics that could apply to this case which Veneeth did not use.

Veneeth normally needs to see 40 or more cases on an average day, and he does not have a lot of time for most of them.

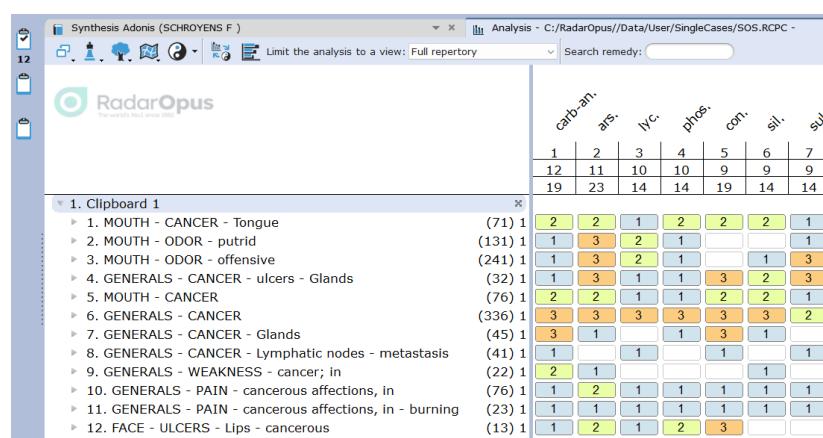
Only if there are more complicated and mental emotions cases, will he take more time to find out the **deepest core of the patient**. Such type of cases are often coming from the big cities, not from the rural areas in India.

Conclusion

Veneeth says: Homeopathy is wonderful, with often amazing results: *All credit goes to our master, Hahnemann.* "I encourages students and practitioners to continue to learn and refine their skills". This can also be done through his own seminars or [online courses](#).

Possible repertory rubrics

Below I listed some symptoms of Carb-an which could be used for this case, Veneeth only used a few key symptoms and his *materia medica* knowledge, that the remedy Carb-an covered the essence of the case the best.



Info about the seminar

Veneeth Sidhathan 28 & 29 Nov 2025