Concept of classical homeopathy in veterinary medicine

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ABSTRACT

Until recently homeopathic treatment in veterinary medicine was limited to use of symptomatic potentiated remedies. Attempts to use the principles of classical homeopathy in animal treatment encountered impossibility to select drugs according to the similarity principle due to lack of verbal contact.

In order to solve this problem we suggested a new method of choosing homeopathic remedies according to the similarity principle based on the phenomenon of interdependent conditions in animals and their owners. Similarity of pet and owner appearance has been noted since antient times. We substantiated the concept of this phenomenon in 2000. It provides a theoretical explanation of not only appearance similarity in pets and owners but also their potential for acquiring similar diseases. Correlation analysis of the results of our studies indicated close relationship between pet and owner diseases.

Based on deeper processes that determine pet and owner interdependent conditions we suggested using psychological characteristics of humans in selection of homeopathic remedies for animal treatment. Such selection of remedies complies with the principles of classical homeopathy where psychological characteristics of patients are regarded as fundamental. Large-scale clinical observations confirmed the conclusions which provided the basis for development of the method.

Starting from 2008 this topic is covered by specialists from Belgium, Brazil, Poland, UK, India and other countries at different international congresses and conferences. Certain differences in terminology do not diminish interest to this topic. In such a way, although A. Blanchy (2008) from Belgium calls the development of similar diseases in pets and owners “the mirror effect”, there is no doubt that our understanding of this topic is the same.

These methods found wide use in practical work of veterinary medicine specialists. There is a growing interest to use and development of this medical direction both in Russia and abroad, which is typical for development of a scientific school. This is confirmed by published works of V.V.Drozdov, V.Yu.Zhdanova, E.A.Elizarova, and V.I.Velikanov from Russia, Tomasz Kokoszczynski from Poland, B. Golubeff from Brazil and other authors.

In such a way, our studies are the first and as of today – frontline in world veterinary practice, demonstrating Russia’s precedency in substantiation, diagnostics and treatment of interdependent conditions in pets and their owners.

The suggested new method of similarity-based drug selection enabled using principles of classical homeopathy in treatment of domestic animals in its full extent. The accumulated experience enabled us to confirm that this method is correct and productive, as well as the recommendations for diagnostics and treatment of
different diseases in domestic animals. All of this opens new opportunities not only for use of all advantages of classical homeopathy in veterinary medicine, but also enables us to speak of science-based veterinary homeopathy.

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