

Chapter 17:

Interview with
Dr. Srinivasulu Gadugu, M.D.



Robert: So, we're here at the homeoprophylaxis conference in Florida and we're visited by a doctor, medical doctor, homeopath, all the way from India to talk to us about the alternatives to what has become known as traditional vaccinations as we move into something called homeoprophylaxis, prevention via homeopathic medicine. The use of nosodes and in particular we're going to talk about something known as Japanese encephalitis and how in India they've had success in utilizing homeopathy and its prevention in place of vaccination. This is extraordinary.

We're here with the Dr. Srinivasulu Gadugu. It's such an honor to have you traveling all the way around the world to be with us. And as an MD and homeopath, people should know in India that is more of an accepted type of medicine.

Dr. Gadugu: Yes.

Robert: Did they utilize traditional medical schools for training?

Dr. Gadugu: Yes.

Robert: When you work in the government with nosodes, as we talked about in homeopathy, the homeoprophylaxis, is this with the blessing of the government or is this having to, "Don't tell anybody, we're going to sneak the homeopathy in." How have you been able to interact?

Dr. Gadugu: It is the necessity of the government and the one from the people which have forced the government to take the help of homeopathy.

Robert: So, the government now is accepting the use because of the demand of the people or the doctors?

Dr. Gadugu: There was a situation with several thousands of children were affected with the Japanese encephalitis and homeopathy addressed, quite effective. Then people started demanding for more homeopathic clinics to be started by the government.

So, all the people's representatives they met the Chief Minister of that particular state and they say that we want more homeopathic doctors to be made available in our state. That's how there was an epidemic and people realize the potentiality of homeopathy then the government came down and said, "Yes, this is the time. We are here for the people's requirements." Then they immediately open 180 dispensaries of homeopathy in 24 hours. That was the demand from the people and that was the commitment of the government.

Robert: So, the people experienced a great benefit from the use of homeoprophylaxis with Japanese encephalitis, they approached the government and said, "We want more of this" and the government responded because it worked.

Dr. Gadugu: That's right. That was an emergency life situation when there was no vaccine, there was no other alternative for the people and homeopaths have gone to the grassroots of the villages and they started distributing homeopathic medicines.

In India, as you all know, it's almost a hundred-years-old system of medicine and the people, especially the children, they started liking this small pills. And within few hours the fever, the symptoms of Japanese encephalitis started coming down. They were wondering how so effective this particular medicine, why can't we distribute it to a large number of people?

And also, it was way back in 1979 and the part of [indiscernible 0:03:30] where the epidemic started surfacing and several children we're dying. So, homeopathic doctors there, they

started giving Belladonna, the most effective drug used in homeopathy, and they started getting responses. That epidemic started coming down.

Subsequently, every year it started reappearing. In 1999 there was a very big epidemic, very big epidemic. The efforts of the homeopaths where required in large number. Then the government, the allopathic modern medicine department, they said that we are helpless in this particular situation.

So, the government had given order that all allopathic network has to cooperate with homeopaths in distributing this medicine. The government brought in an order and the health minister of that particular state was a medical doctor. She was a gynecologist. The Chief Minister said, "If you want to continue as a health minister, you have to control this disease."

Then she called for a meeting of all allopaths and homeopaths and they say, "Allopaths, we have to import the vaccine from China or Korea. It takes a long time. Even if we import also, we can't say whether this vaccine will be effective in controlling this particular episode of Japanese encephalitis." Then homeopaths were asked, "Can you do anything?"

That was the time I was also present in the meeting. Already, I have an experience for treating the cases. Then I have shown a particular case how effective this particular medicine like say evidence-based medicine. I have treated few cases, one case I have video recorded which I will be presenting in this conference tomorrow and one after having seen that particular case the minister said, "Yes, we have a substantial evidence of homeopaths to contain this particular disorder."

She gave a green signal. That's how almost 20 million children were covered with homeopathic medicines. That was the time my teacher, Dr. [indiscernible 0:05:50] who is a pioneer of this public health homeoprophylaxis. He was the one co-introduced the concept of homeoprophylaxis in India way back in 1950s.

Robert: Wow. You mentioned the use of Belladonna which is a remedy that in a mother form it can be toxic but in a homeopathic form it is completely safe.

Dr. Gadugu: That's true.

Robert: I will add here, in 2010 the FDA in the United States warned against teething tablets for children, homeopathic because it had Belladonna in it. Yet no toxicity. And it happens to be that the teething tablets are used in America during the teething cycle when they're also getting a lot of vaccinations at the same time.

They were trying to claim that the homeopathic medicine was creating adverse events like seizures disorders ignoring the fact that it was the vaccines that were being administered at the time of teething and they also happened to be using homeopathic Belladonna.

So, it's kind of interesting how the allopathic community often doesn't want to acknowledge the benefit and safety of the homeopathy here. Did you have any trouble with that or because they couldn't get the vaccines so they had no choice?

Dr. Gadugu: Yes. There was a blame game. There were in some children they developed diseases and some children they developed sort of ophthalmic problems. Always more than medicine for everything good outcome they say that is the success of their medicine. If something goes wrong, they find a scapegoat and that scapegoat has become your homeopathy.

But fortunately, from the official side and the health minister said that these problems cannot be attributed to the particular drug of Belladonna, you can go ahead. So initially there was a protest and resistance from allopathic faculty but subsequently they also realized that we are for people, the primary health centers which accounts to millions of people, they started stocking the homeopathic medicine in allopathic network. That was sort of teamwork, the allopaths and homeopaths have –

Robert: They come together.

Dr. Gadugu: Yes.

Robert: Now you said the number 20 million? Is that an accurate number?

Dr. Gadugu: Yes.

Robert: That is astonishing because we hear studies with ten people, or hundred people, or thousand. Now you're talking 20 million, in children with the use of nosodes as well? The Japanese encephalitis nosodes or just Belladonna?

Dr. Gadugu: I'll tell you, that was a strategy. Belladonna, as we all know it's a very short acting drug and the protocol which we have followed was every year August is a season for this Japanese encephalitis cases to surface. Then, we have drawn a strategy that is called, popularly called BCT, belladonna, calcarea carb and tuberculinum.

It's a vegetable drug and followed by a mineral drug, followed by a nosode. The strategy behind that is very, very interesting. The action of belladonna is only seven days. Since we are giving it as a preventive medicine, it has stimulated the immunity.

So, we thought that if we add calcarea carb, a natural complementary of belladonna, the action will be long lasting. And as you all know, that a tuberculinum is one drug which has got an immunomodulator and if you look at the literature, American literature especially, Dr. JT Kent. He writes his book *Materia Medica Diet* that children should be given tuberculinum once in three months and once in six months. This gives you long-term immunity.

But a very few people have implemented or verified at the field level. This was a great opportunity for Indian homeopaths to use or to experiment that particular statement given by Kent, at the field level. We found enormous results.

This is called the one month strategy of BCT on day one, two, and three we give do three doses of belladonna, 200 potency. On 10th day, we gave calcarea carb of 200, one single dose. Then, on the 21st day, we give tuberculinum 1M, and these three medicines which give immunity for almost a year.

I will be showing you these statistics. The next year 1999 we implemented this strategy. By 2000, the cases were almost one fourth. In 2002, 2003 and most cases started coming down from three districts to new disease. By 2004, there was neither mortality nor morbidity out of this particular one.

Robert: Through homeopathy?

Dr. Gadugu: Yes.

Robert: Now, what he described is the use of three different remedies, belladonna which is often

used for fever in children and it can stimulate the action of the immune system, calcarea carbonica, another homeopathic remedy along the way that strengthen or lengthen the activity and then tuberculinum, or tuberculinum depending on where you are and how you pronounce it, as the nosode in this case.

Dr. Gadugu: Yes.

Robert: With the extraordinary results that you've seen. Now, were there also Japanese encephalitis vaccines you used at that time? Or not?

Dr. Gadugu: No, during 1999 through 2004 there was no vaccine implementation. After it started coming down, the allopaths, they started importing some more vaccines and as you all know that we have discussed the interest of the vaccine manufacturers, especially there is an organization called the PAT and they started taking up the vaccination program math. Then we told them when it isn't in the waiting period, what is the use for—

Robert: Why the vaccine at this point? We're already succeeding, yes?

Dr. Gadugu: After crisis was over they came and they say that on the presentation because of vaccination for JE it has come down. In fact, the work was done by homeopath, the credit was taken by those people.

Robert: The credit was taken by the allopaths. This has historically what happens right?

Dr. Gadugu: Yes.

Robert: But it's 20 million people, there were no vaccines and utilizing this over time you see a complete eradication.

Dr. Gadugu: I have all these statistics for those years and before. One very interesting feature is only this [indiscernible 0:12:44] now, the state has been split into two [indiscernible 0:12:48] that was united one. Almost 8 growths of population, growths of population and almost 13 districts we have distributed this particular medication.

We have a huge network of around 500 homeopathic government dispensaries, it means clinics. All of them. Apart from that, 1500 primary health centers of allopathic network. Everybody provided this particular one. That's so we could reach out to 20 million of children in a short span. Otherwise it would not have been possible.

Robert: This is extraordinary. It should be front page news around the world of course.

Dr. Gadugu: Yes, yes.

Robert: Has there been a peer-reviewed publication on this observation, the overview like you're describing?

Dr. Gadugu: I made a presentation in conferences. There were abstracts were published. We are going for a full text to publication in the coming years with Dr. Isaac.

Robert: Dr. Isaac Goldman?

Dr. Gadugu: Dr. Isaac Goldman also visited our place. He interviewed me at Hyderabad. He spent three days and he had gone through all the records and he said, "It's a good time. We have to

go ahead with the full text publication. We are looking for some more inputs here. Very interesting point is only the state of Andhra Pradesh gave this BCT whereas other states, neighboring states, like Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh. They were also equally affected by this Japanese encephalitis. Still the mortality is very high in those states. Only in Andhra Pradesh it has come down.

Robert: So, where the homeoprophylaxis was utilized, the morbidity, mortality went down, the manifestation of a disease almost disappeared and in neighboring states still happening.

Dr. Gadugu: Still it is present.

Robert: So it wasn't that it was wiped out everywhere. So, there's strong evidence here that homeoprophylaxis is an evidence-based medicine for prevention.

Dr. Gadugu: The government of India now it has taken up a massive project of implementing the same strategy in other states. But in other states the governments are resisting because vaccine JE, there is domestic production and there is also an import. They were wondering whether this particular vaccine can match this thing of this particular epidemic.

They're now using G6, there is one particular strain they're using. But the present [indiscernible 0:15:25] for JE is a different strain.

Robert: That is interesting you mention that because with the vaccination if you don't get the identical strain you do not get the benefit. In homeopathy because we have the law of similars, all you need is to be in that family and that energy facilitates the recovery.

Dr. Srinivasulu, it's such an honor to have you here and I appreciate your communication of great, great news for the people around planet earth that there's another way to go.

Dr. Gadugu: Thank you

Robert: Thank you.

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