

## Vic Skeptics October 2018 Crossword

Theme: Homeopathy

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## STANDARD CLUES:

#### **ACROSS:**

- 1. A meeting with a health professional in order to seek advice [12]
- 7. & 10 across & 13 across: Major principle of homeopathy, sometimes called The Law of Similars [4, 5,4]
- 10. See 7 across
- 11. Named in tribute to this scientist, the number of molecules in 1 mole of a substance,  $\sim 6 \times 10^{23}$  suggests that most homeopathic dilutions contain no active ingredient whatever [8]
- 13. See 7 across
- 15. Has earned, or is worthy of some status or award [6]
- 18. Reducing the concentration of a solute in solution: in Homeopathy, this often proceeds until none of the solute (active ingredient) physically remains [8]
- 19. Entire male cat [3]
- 20. Furthermore, additionally, also [4]
- 22. Medicine or procedure prescribed for psychological benefit rather than physiological effect [7]
- 26. The under surface of a foot or of footwear [4]
- 27. Homeopath's term for conventional treatment of disease, with remedies having opposite effects to symptoms [9]
- 29. Eluded; kept clear of [7]
- 34. Highly specific though somewhat violent serial dilution of a homeopathic active principle [10]
- 35. Number typified by a last digit of 0, 2, 4, 6 or 8 [4]
- 36. Use of charms or spells to achieve supernatural power over natural forces [5]
- 38. Savoury jelly [5]
- 39. Invertebrate's mouthparts [5]
- 40. Eating with formality [6]
- 43. The point in the sky directly above an observer [6]
- 45. What "C" stands for in Hahnemann's scale of homeopathic dilution [10]
- 47. Sells, caters, peddles [7]
- 48. Homeopathic vaccination [16]

## DOWN:

- 2. Large scale artistic work [4]
- 3. The process of using one's forces to surround an adversary with the object of cutting off access to supplies or information [5]
- 4. In homeopathy, a botanical extract with a specific amount of alcohol. While

undiluted, it represents the <u>lowest</u> possible potency of any particular homeopathic preparation [8]

- 5. Implement [4]
- 6. Second largest metropolitan area in Japan having over 19 million inhabitants [5]
- 7. The Lion [3]
- 8. Of a disease regularly found in a particular geographical area [7]
- In homeopathic terms, ascertaining the action of specific medicines on human health; roughly analogous to the clinical trials of orthodox medicine, but lacking control samples [7]
- 12. Mortar filling crevices between tiles [5]
- 14. & 36 down: Hahnemann's title for his encyclopaedia of therapeutic properties of homeopathic agents [7, 6]
- 15. Vaccine-preventable contagious viral disease causing facial swelling [5]
- 16. A major reason for Homeopathy's continuing influence is the support it receives in British \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ circles [5]
- 17. & 33 down: The energy that maintains life in the individual, according to homeopathic belief [5, 5]
- 20. The claimed strength of a homeopathic remedy, which is determined by how many times the remedy has been succussed and diluted during preparation [7]
- 21. Resort locality featuring mineral springs [3]
- 23. Latin for "places" [4]
- 24. Gives up ownership, relinquishes [5]
- 25. The inventor of Homeopathy: Samuel \_\_\_\_\_ [9]
- 28. System of alternative medicine created in 1796 based on the notion that a substance that causes the symptoms of a disease in healthy people would cure similar symptoms in sick people. Homeopathic preparations are not effective for treating any condition. "Large-scale studies have found it to be no more effective than a placebo, suggesting that any positive effects that follow treatment are only due to the placebo effect and normal recovery from illness" [10]
- 30. Short title of Samuel Hahnemann's book in which describes the principles and practice of homeopathy [7]
- 31. & 42 down: Source of the active ingredient of Oscillococcinum, a popular homeopathic influenza remedy; this active ingredient being diluted one part to 10<sup>400</sup> parts water! [4, 5]
- 32. The treatment of a disease with the identical disease agent [8]
- 33. See 17 down
- 36. See 14 down
- 37. Large-scale musical composition for a featured solo instrumentalist accompanied by an orchestra [8]

- 41. Essential apparatus for tasseography [6]
- 42. See 31 down
- 44. Gains deservedly [5]
- 46. Summit [4]

## CRYPTIC CLUES

### **ACROSS:**

- 1. Seeking another's approval of a course already decided on [12]
- 7. & 10 across & 13 across: Cue silkier elk for homeopathic notion [4, 5, 4]
- 10. See 7 across
- 11. Take Voga Road to molecule counter [8]
- 13. See 7 across
- 15. Timers used fairly as basis for judgement [5]
- 18. Solute/solvent = SFA [8]
- 19. The cat would repeatedly get beaten [3]
- 20. This means more to a mathematician [4]
- 22. Feel good effect from pale cob [7]
- 26. Confused loser lost right to be alone [4]
- 27. Take a loyal path to conventional medicine [9]
- 29. Shunned video ad after edit [7]
- 34. Do homeopaths do this to check fluids in body cavities? [10]
- 35. Regular social occasion finished early [4]
- 36. Enchanting soldier in trenchcoat? [5]
- 38. Use a savoury jelly in a spiced up recipe [5]
- 39. Bug detection devices? [5]
- 40. Room for the consumer [6]
- 43. It could not be more over one's head [6]
- 45. Last iceman lacks concentration [10]
- 47. Very sup caters [7]
- 48. Oxyphil shampooer would be an equally effective inoculation treatment [16]

### DOWN:

- 2. Soup managed to work [4]
- 3. See GI wounded in prolonged attack [5]
- 4. Nett uric provides potion [8]
- 5. Implement for heartless Topol [4]

- 6. Initially stored in wood, a port [5]
- 7. Sign some people overlook [3]
- 8. Disease found only in the mice den [7]
- 9. Return on investment in high pitched ring establishing truth [7]
- 12. Complaint about onset of ripples in cement [5]
- 14. & 36 down: Academia merit could set up Hahnemann's opus but it does not have any [7, 6]
- 15. Mother has an afterthought a complaint [5]
- 16. Above topgallant [5]
- 17. & 33 down: Woo can be fatal. The French army incorporated this doctrine into its thinking during the lead up to the First World War by arguing that the spirit of individual soldiers was more important for victory than weapons [5, 5]
- 20. As homeopathic remedies are reduced in concentration, this increases beyond all imagining [7]
- 21. Health farm regulates pasta? No thanks! [3]
- 23. Places in geometry [4]
- 24. It sounds like the pits [5]
- 25. "He who does not walk on exactly the same line with me, who diverges, if it be but the breadth of a straw, to the right or to the left, is an apostate and a traitor, and with him I will have nothing to say."

  Gospel according to...? [9]
- 28. "A theory and practice of medicine which aims to cure the diseases of fools" Ambrose Bierce [10]
- 30. No argon found in Hahnemann [7]
- 31. & 42 down: Source of symptomatic flu treatment from paté spread magically thinly [4, 5]
- 32. "I never really acknowledged ... during my homeopathic medical training. It seemed too basic and one sided as compared to the deep multidimentional classical homoeopathy I was studying." Shilpa Bhouraskar [8]
- 33. See 17 down
- 36. See 14 down
- 37. Business finally failing to work for musicians [8]
- 41. Stormy spot for drinkers? [6]
- 42. See 31 down
- 44. Gets saner perhaps [5]
- 46. It's far from base [4]

# **SOLUTION**

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