

# Mercurius corrosivus

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## Description

- Common Names -- Corrosive Sublimate, Bichloride of Mercury.
- It comes in heavy, colorless crystals of acrid, metallic taste.

## Preparations

Triturations and dilutions

- Mercuric chloride is a powerful disinfectant and has much greater rapidity of action, causing violent effects.
- This salt leads all other remedies in tenesmus of the rectum.
- The chief effect of the Chlorine element in this salt appears to be to intensify the mercurial action.

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# Mind

- Anxious and restless
- Difficult thinking.
- Disturbed speech.
- Anxiety preventing sleep
- Weakness of the mind
- Stares at persons who talk to him and does not understand them

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# Head

- Delirium, stupor.
- Frontal pain, congestion of head with burning in cheeks.
- Drawing pain in periosteum of skull.
- Headache, shooting combined with aching, above the left eye, aggravated by stooping.

# Eyes

- Excessive photophobia and acrid lachrymation.
- Syphilitic Iritis - almost a specific.
- Pain severe at night; burning, shooting, tearing.
- Chronic ulceration of cornea.

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- Little tendency to pus formation.
  - Iris muddy in color, thick, and neither contracts nor dilates.
  - Ophthalmia neonatorum.
  - Lids oedematous, red, excoriated.
  - Severe burning. Soreness of the eyes.



# Nose

Excessive fluent coryza; loss of smell.

- Ozaena, with perforation of septum nasi. [Kali bich.]
- Nose feels stopped up, at same time runs
- Rawness and smarting in nostrils.
- Post-nasal swelling, mucous membrane dry, red, and covered with bloody mucus.

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# Ears

- Violent pulsations.
- Fetid pus.

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# Face

- Swollen.
- Red, puffy.
- Lips black, swollen.
- Sordes.
- Facial neuralgia within the bones.

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# Mouth

- Teeth loose.
- Gums purple, swollen, and spongy.
- Tongue swollen and inflamed.
- Salivation.
- Pyorrhoea.
- Taste salty and bitter.

# Throat

- The uvula is swollen, elongated and very dark-red.
- Intense burning in the throat [Ars., Ars. Iod., Caps.] which is rendered intolerable by any external pressure.
- Violent constriction of the throat and any attempt to swallow solid or liquid, causes violent spasms of the throat, with the immediate ejection of the solid or liquid.

# Stomach

- Incessant, green, bilious vomiting.
- Epigastrium very sensitive.
- Thirst : great; excessive; extreme; tense; violent; **unquenchable**; insatiable for **cold water in large quantities**.

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# Abdomen

- Bruised sensation; caecal region and transverse colon painful.
- Bloated; very painful to least touch.

# Stool

**Tenesmus of rectum**, not >> by stool (< by stool, Nux); incessant, **persistent**; stool hot, scanty, bloody, slimy, offensive; shreds of mucous membrane and terrible cutting, colicky pains.

- **Dysentery** and summer complaints of intestinal canal, occurring from May to November -- **tenesmus**



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- Continuous urging to stool and urine.
  - A NEVER GET DONE FEELING.

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# Respiratory

- Pain in larynx as cut with knife.
- Aphonia.
- Cough, with bloody expectoration.
- Pulse rapid and intermittent.
- Stitches through side of chest.

# Urine

- Intense burning in urethra.
- Urine hot, burning, scanty or suppressed; bloody, greenish discharge. Tenesmus of bladder.
- Stabbing pain extending up urethra into bladder.
- Perspiration after urinating.
- Bright's disease.
- Albuminuria in early pregnancy. (Phosph. later and at full term.)

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# Male

- Phimosis or Para-phimosis
- Gonorrhoea; urethra orifice red, swollen; glans sore and hot.
- Second stage, greenish discharge, < at night; great burning and tenesmus.

- Regular indurated **Hunterian Chancre** with lardaceous base; **excessive pain**, swelling and inflammation.
- Destructive, serpiginous ulcers, eating out and destroying half of the penis in a few days.

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# Fever

- Chilly from slightest exposure.
- Profuse perspiration; surface cold.

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# Modalities

- Worse – AFTER URINATING, STOOL, Swallowing, Night, Cold, Autumn, Hot Days; Cool Nights, Acids, evening.
- Better, while at rest.

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# Relationship

- Compare : Ars, Lach
- Dose -- Sixth potency
- Stops immediately the severe aching pain behind eye-balls. (Dr.G. D. Hallet.)



