Useful medicinal plants



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...through Unani Medicine





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Healthy Ageing

In Unani System, the process of ageing is attributed to depletion of Ruṭūbah Gharīzīyyah (innate humour) and Harārah Gharīzīyyah (innate heat) of the body. Ruṭūbah Gharīzīyyah (innate humour) is essential for maintaining the health of the vital organs and its depletion marks the onset of senility. Healthy ageing can be secured by safeguarding of Ruṭūbah Gharīzīyyah (innate humour) from early dissipation.

Tadbīr al-Mashā'ikh (Regimen for the Elderly)

Tadbīr al-Mashā'ikh is based on *Asbāb Sittah Zarūriyyah* (six essential prerequisites). The aims of *Tadbīr al-Mashā'ikh* are –

- To prevent the conversion of Mizāj to Barid Yabis
- To avoid production of Ruṭūbah Gharībah
- To remove the wastes from the body through natural methods
- To protect the body from hazardous extrinsic factors

'Ilāj bi'l-Ghidhā' (Dieto-therapy)

- Take frequent meals in small quantity
- Include the following in diet:
 - Meat of chicken or goat
 - Honey, milk, rice and dates
 - ❖ Fruits Anjīr (figs), Ākhrot (walnut), Bādām (almonds), Angūr (grapes), Tūt (mulberries), Mawīz (raisins), Ālū Bukhārā (plum)
 - ❖ Vegetables Sīr (garlic), Piyāz (onion), Kāhū (lettuce), Chuqandar (beet root), Zanjabīl (ginger), Khubbāzī (common mallow), Halīlah (myrobalan), Kāsnī (chicory)



- Avoid the following -
 - Excessive consumption of tea and coffee
 - Drinking water during and just after meals
 - * Bathing immediately after meals
 - ❖ Use of *Ghalīz* '*Aghziyah* (late digesting diet) like *Khushk Gosht* (dry and salted meat), *Masūr Dāl* (*lentils*), etc.

'Ilāj bi'l-Dawā' (Pharmacotherapy)

- Single drugs
 - Gilo (Tinospora cordifolia Willd.)
 - Satāwar (Asparagus racemosus Willd.)
 - * Jadwār (Deliphinium denudatum Wall.)
 - ❖ Waj (Acorus calamus L.)
 - * Bisfā'ij (Polypodium vulgare Linn.)
 - ❖ Zūfā (Hyssopus officinalis Linn.)

Compound formulations

- * Jawārish Jālīnūs
- Ma'jūn Falāsifa
- Khamīra Gā'uzabān Sāda
- Khamīra Ābresham Sāda
- Khamīra Marwārīd
- Ma'jūn Azarāqī
- Ma'jūn Brahmī





'Ilāj bi'l-Tadbīr (Regimenal Therapy)

- Mu'tadil Riyāḍat (moderate exercise)
- Dalk Mu'tadil (moderate massage)
- Hammām (Turkish bath)

Note: Consult a registered Unani physician before using recommended drugs