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Then again Sage Rig pa'i shes (Rigpai Yeshi) said these words, "O Great Sage, listen.

Medicinal bath, which is one of the five therapies, is explained under four sections: indications, contra-indications, methods of application and benefits.

Medicinal bath is indicated for stiffness and contracture of the limbs, paralysis, 'bras, lhog pa, swelling of chronic and acute wounds, menstrual disorders, outward curvature of the spine and accumulation of chu ser within muscle tissues and bones. It is recommended for all types of rlung disorders.

It is contra-indicated for acute hot disorders such as rims and disturbed hot disorders, generalized edema, weakness and loss of appetite. It should be avoided on the body parts such as the eyes, cheeks, big toes and elbows, scrotum, stomach and heart.

Methods of medicinal bath involve bathing and dressing¹.

Bathing in natural hot springs that materialized from the collective karma of all beings is therapeutic and eliminates the dispersion and adherence of dispersed hot disorders, poisoning and chronic hot disorders, 'bras, chronic wounds, sur ya, channel disorders, stiffness and contracture of the limbs, outward curvature of the spine and emaciated body.

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Where natural hot springs are not available, steam bath or hot water baths prepared from the five medicinal nectars also offer the same benefits as above.

Steam baths or hot water baths prepared from *mi rus btsa' ma* eliminates chronic hot disorders, stiffness of the limbs and relieves pain caused by dispersed disorders associated with *rlung*.

Hot water baths prepared from mkhal pa and bul tog mixed with yeast, cures swelling of chronic wounds, paralysis, and rigidity of the limbs.

Application of wet dressings is of two types: those for treating hot disorders and those treating cold disorders.

Wet dressings that treat hot disorders are as follows: A wet dressings prepared from various grains treats head injuries that have infiltrated into the channels. A wet dressing prepared from *kyi Ice* and dung of *zho* mixed with curd eliminates swelling of hot disorders. A wet dressing prepared from various flowers treats hot disorders infiltrated into the channels. A wet dressing prepared from the five medicinal nectar compound or musk deer droppings heated in *chang*, treats disorders of the nerves, stroke and dispersion of the kidney channels. A wet dressing prepared from *mkhan pa*, *spru ma*, *mtshe*, *spang spos* cooked in urine, treats dispersion, swelling and stiffness of the channels. A wet dressing prepared from *mtshen* and *sro lo* treats turbid and dispersed hot disorders. A wet dressing prepared from goat droppings and musk cooked in urine treats poisoning from *mdze* blood. A wet dressing prepared from whitewash used on the wall of a stupa and underground soil lying at one *khru* depth, cooked in urine, treats poisoning of the precious metals.

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Wet dressings that treat cold disorders are as follows: A wet dressing prepared from dry sbang *ma* and rat droppings cooked in *chang*, helps to suppurate swollen limbs. A wet dressing prepared from the paste made from goat and rat droppings cooked in urine helps to remove foreign bodies. Application of a wet dressing prepared from radug, spyang tsher, risho and wolf feces, when cooked in a thick sbang, subdues swelling caused by chu lhog and cold disorders. Applying a wet dressing prepared from the warm cud of animals such as horses, wild asses and donkeys treats swollen limbs of skya rbab due to chu ser accumulation. A wet dressing prepared from pigeon droppings cooked in chang helps to suppurate rmen and 'bras. A wet dressing prepared from *mi yi rkang mgo*, fish meat, the root of spru and re lcag, when cooked in chang, dissolves 'bras'. To dissolve a calculus, apply a wet dressing prepared by boiling <mark>spyang tsher, Ice tsha, mkhan pa</mark>, the seeds of Ica, bird droppings, thick sbang, sga and pi pi ling. A wet dressing prepared from mi rus and ba spru treats osteoarthritis and menstrual disorders. Applying a wet dressing prepared from assorted animal hearts treats hallucinations, insanity, fainting and tshabs rlung. A wet dressing prepared from underground soil, lying at the depth of one khru, cooked in urine treats pain in the legs and bones resulting from rims. A wet dressing prepared from various types of animal bones cooked in *chang* relieves pain in the bones and joints. Applying a wet dressing prepared by cooking 'ba' cha in chang cures swelling caused by rlung disorders.

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Medicinal bath removes steam of hot disorders in the form of chu ser through the body pores, pacifies rlung disorders, subdues swelling and builds up an emaciated body." Thus it was said.

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This is the twenty-third chapter, on medicinal bath of the five external therapies, from the Secret Quintessential Instructions on the Eight Branches of the Ambrosia Essence Tantra.

^{1.} Wet dressing is a kind of therapy which is used against hot disorders or cold disorders by applying a medicated poultice and then dressing it with a piece of cloth.

^{2.} mi yi rkan mgo is a human forefoot and here, it pertains to a metatarsal without a spongy part of a bone.