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**NICOTINE DEPENDENCE: A HOMOEOPATHIC PERSPECTIVE**

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**ABSTRACT:**

Nicotine is among the most widely used substances available legally. It is an active component found in tobacco and widely used in the normal population in the form of smoking and chewing. Nicotine dependence is one of the leading causes of disability and deaths worldwide. In Homoeopathy, medicine is prescribed on the basis of individuality and symptom similarity, and being a holistic system of medicine, it improves the general well-being of the patient. This article provides an insight about the risks, withdrawal symptoms associated with nicotine dependence as well as its appropriate general and homoeopathic management through the repertorial approach. Repertorial analysis of symptoms associated with nicotine dependence and withdrawal indicates Caladium, Nux Vomica, Tabacum, Staphysagria and Nicotinum as few prominent remedies for the management of this disorder.

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