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Study of Monosynaptic Reflexes on Knee Jerk in Young Adults with Reference to Different Mizaj

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ABSTRACT

INTRODUCTION: *Mizaj* /temperament and *Akhlat* /humour are primarily fundamentals of the *Unani system of Medicine*, as it was mentioned by several renowned Graeco-Arab physicians and philosophers in ancient literature. As we know, Afa"l-e-Aza (Functions of the organ) is considered an important parameter in assessing the Mizaj of an individual. It is very much clear that the Monosynaptic reflex of the knee joint represents the Afa"l-e-Muharrika of an individual. The monosynaptic stretch reflex is a reflex arc that provides direct communication between sensory and motor neurons innervating the muscle.

OBJECTIVE: In the present study, our emphasis was on the *Mizaj* of the individual and its relationship with monosynaptic reflexes.

METHODOLOGY: In this study one hundred (n=100), randomly selected, both male and female healthy individuals are classified and split into four groups based on the prevalence of one humour: *Damwi* (Sanguinous), Safrawi (Choleric), Balghami (Phlegmatic), and Saudawi (Melancholic). The present study is to discover young people's monosynaptic reflexes of various Mizaj who are in good health. Therefore, to assess the relationship between Mizaj and Afa''l-e-Muharrika (Motor functions), the study was undertaken.

RESULT: Find the significance of the difference in mean DTR value, in different Mizaj groups, ANOVA test is applied and the difference in mean DTR value in different Mizaj is highly significant as the value of (P <0.0001).

CONCLUSION: After evaluation results found that the DTR mean is highest in individuals having Safrawi Mizaj, then in Damwi Mizaj followed by Saudawi Mizaj and the lowest DTR value is seen in Balghami Mizaj.

KEYWORDS: Afal-e-Muharrika, Afal-e-Aza, Mizaj, Monosynaptic reflex, DTR.

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