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UNDERSTANDING OF QUWA (POWER) IN THE PERSPECTIVE OF UNANI SYSTEM OF MEDICINE: A REVIEW

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ABSTRACT

Science is the study of nature and extensionally to the study of man. Unani System of Medicine covers the nature and human body both, as it was evolved in the environment wherein entire of the scholars were pre-owned of philosophical approach. Then their philosophy was holistic and transcendentalist based. The basic blocks of *Umoor Tabiya* (Basic Principles) interact at many levels and manifest into *Kaifiyyat* (*Mizaj*), *Akhlat* (Humour), *Arwah* (Pneuma), *Quwa* (Potentiality for action) and *Tabiyat* (Physis, the regulatory faculty) which need to be comprehend for proper understanding of discharge of normal function in the state of health. Since, the predominance of metaphysics in understanding of physiological mechanism of human body needs reasoning and logic for their proper comprehension. Quwa are one of them. How it was perceived? What is the function? Why it is necessary? Which corporeal forms provide its existence? What is the relationship in between Quwa, Nafs and Hararat Ghariziya? So, the present paper strives to comprehend the concepts of metaphysics in contemporary learning mode and its application for understanding of mysteries of actions as performed by human body.

KEYWORDS: Quwa, Hararat Ghariziya, Nafs, Transcendentalist

INTRODUCTION

 $Quw\bar{a}$ are one of the seven $Um\bar{u}r\ Tab\bar{\tau}'iyya$. $Um\bar{u}r\ Tab\bar{\tau}'iyya$ are those things on which human body depends upon for their survival¹. $Quw\bar{a}$ are furnished to provide the various functions in the organs of the body for the preservation of individual as well as species. It means these are the origin and causes of each and every function of the body. Not even a single function in the body can occur without $Quw\bar{a}^2$.

 $Quw\bar{a}$ are plural of Quwwat. There are different meanings of $Quw\bar{a}$ which are mentioned in classical literature and these are as follow:

- Strength: By strength, the individual is capable to do work, opposite of this is weakness.
- Ability: It is a potential to do something, opposite of this is inability.
- Efficient: Power to influence others.
- Not amenable to be acted upon or effected.
- Potentiality: It is the possibility of something happening. A
 white paper can be bil Quwā black, means at present it is
 white but it is possible that it may turn to black. And if it
 becomes black then it is said to be bi'lFi'l black3.

Ibn Sina has described $Quw\bar{a}$ and $Af'\bar{a}l$ together. These are deduced from each other hence, every Quwwat is responsible for a Fi'l and every Fi'l is manifestation of a Quwwat itself. Philosophers including Ibn Sina stated that the Quwwat is the

potentiality of $Af'\bar{a}l^4$. Allama Nafees said that this Quwwat is found in animates and because of it the works are performed³. Masihi said that every Quwwat is the causative of a Fi'l (function)⁵. Ibn Rushd said that through $Quw\bar{a}$, Fi'l and $Infi'\bar{a}l$ (reactions) occur in the body⁶. Jalinoos said that $Tawl\bar{u}d$ of $Quw\bar{u}a$ occurs due to the admixture of $Ark\bar{u}a$. According to him there is particular 'Udw for each $Quw\bar{u}a$ through which particular $Af'\bar{u}al$ take place². Arastu said that heart is the only centre for all the $Quw\bar{u}aa$. Ibn Sina and Masihi said that the centre for Quwwat $Nafs\bar{u}aa$ is Quwaa Quwwaa Q

 $Quw\bar{a}$ and $Af'\bar{a}l$ are interdependent, interrelated and inseparable because each and every organ of the body is furnished with $Quw\bar{a}$ and its existence is proved by different bodily functions^{2,8}. And these functions do not occur because of the body. In fact the cause of these functions is something else and this thing is found inside the body and we called it as $Quw\bar{a}^3$. If body's functions were performed by body itself, non-living body would also be able to perform function. But it does not happen. So we know that there is something in a living body which is responsible for functions⁸.

In contemporary era, $Quw\bar{a}$ can be understood as the energy. In physics, energy is defined as "the capacity to do work". Energy expresses itself in the form of work, heat or radiation. We are unaware of the existence of energy until and unless it is converted into work, heat or radiation 10. It is believed that energy can neither be created nor destroyed but it keeps changing from one form of energy to the other form of energy. This is the reason why energy

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is constant in nature⁹. If we talk about chemistry and biology, it is believed that energy is found in the free form to do work¹¹. For utilization of the energy its conversion is necessary¹⁰. Several chemical reactions i.e. metabolism occurs inside the human body to release and utilise energy. By exergonic reactions energy is released and by endergonic reactions energy is utilized^{11,12,13}. Energy is stored in the form of ATP (adenosine triphosphate) after the oxidation of the food¹⁴, which is the ultimate source for the ATP synthesis¹⁵. ATP is the energy currency of the cell in the human body^{12,13}. ATP contains nucleoside (adenosine) and a tail which consists of three phosphates. When one phosphate group is detached from the ATP it forms ADP (adenosine diphosphate) and releases energy. ADP again converts into the ATP in the mitochondria and again it is ready to lose its phosphate group to release energy. The conversion from ADP to ATP is called as chemi-osmotic phosphorylation. The process of conversion of ATP to ADP to release energy continuously goes on throughout the life. Each cell contains about one billion ATP molecule. In ATP, the terminal phosphate group plays key role in the attachment and detachment process, around three times per minute it is attached and detached¹⁵. By hydrolysis, ATP gives large amount of energy.

$$ATP + H_2O \longrightarrow ADP + Pi + 7.3 Cal.$$

TABI'AT

The word *Tabi 'at* is derived from the Arabic word *Taba* which means to form, print and mould something ¹⁶. *Tabi 'at* is also known as *Mudabbira-e-Badan* because it performs the function of *Tadbīr* in the body to maintain the *Etidal Mizāj* (equable constitution) of the body. *Tabi 'at* oversees all the functions of the body whether it occurs consciously or subconsciously, voluntarily or involuntarily, whether it is related to the *Hiss-o-Harkat*, related to the circulation of blood, related to the *Haḍm-o-Istiḥāla*, related to the *Taghdhiya* of the organs, related to the *Tawlīd-o-Tanasul*. Hence *Tabi 'at* takes care of all the functions of the body ^{17,18}.

Aflatoon said that Tabi'at is that means Quwwat Ilahi (Divine Power) endowed for the betterment and equitability of the body by which all the functions of the body are accomplished. Allama Qarshi said that Tabi'at is that Quwwat which protects the Kamalat (perfection) of the body in which that is existed¹⁸. Ibn Zuhr said that Tabi'at is that which governs all the functions of the body, removes the diseases by itself without any help of the drug19. Allama Nafees said that Tabi'at is that Quwwat which prompts the *Harkat* and *Sukoon* in a body³. Rabban Tabri said that Tabi'at is the origin of Harkat and Sukoon and all things come into existence by Harkat and come to an end by Sukoon. Practically it is defined as the *Quwwat-e-Mudabbira* of the body⁶. Arastu said that *Tabi'at* is a source of being moved or being at rest^{16,20}. *Tabi* 'at does not act any work which is useless²¹. Masihi said that there are two different meanings of Tabi'at. First meaning of *Tabi* 'at is that *Quwwat* which performs the functions of body involuntarily. Secondly it is that Quwwat which takes actions that are suitable to the body. Usually Tabi'at, overcomes the chronic diseases but sometimes it becomes perplexed and ineffective against disease⁵. Majoosi said that *Tabi'at* has been provided with capacity to avert injurious matter from one organ to the other and transforms them into such form that could be expelled out from the body²². Jalinoos said that the word *Tabi'at* means Quwwat Mudabbira-e-Badan of Ajsam Haiwani and all the other Ajsam²³. Kabiruddin said that Tabi'at performs all the functions of Islah and Tadbīr in the body and during the fight against the diseases it causes wonderstruck the human mind²⁰. Figure. 1

Quwa me bahmi ishterak aur isme tabiyat ka kirdar

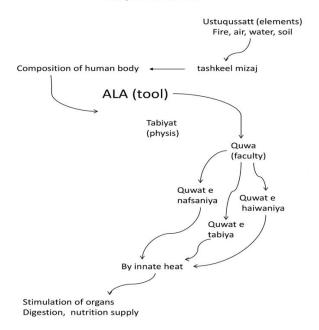


Figure. 1

Razi enumerated the functions of *Tabi'at* in following ways like it expels *Fudhlat* (waste products) from one organ to the other organ by way of natural channels or else that are in between these organs, even if it is a bone. It helps the drug to act and also helps in for distribution of nutrition to the organs. Therefore, physician just takes care or helps the *Tabi'at*. If *Tabi'at* itself is able to provide resistance against diseases then it does not need any physician for help. But if *Tabi'at* and *Marad* are equal then it needs the help of the physician otherwise *Tabi'at* loses this battle. It is said that *Tabi'at* itself is a good physician and it is evident by the fact that in most of the cases, minor cuts heal themselves. Many pains and diseases subside by themselves after taking sleep or sometimes heal after passing of time²⁴.

NAFS

Literally meaning of *Nafs* is psych, soul, spirit, the self, nature, individuality etc. In philosophical view the *Nafs* which intends the celestial as well as earthy phenomenon^{25,26}. *Nafs* is a *Jawhar Fi'l*, which turns the things towards the *Kamal* to prevent them from the damages. It is a *Jawhar Alam*, which knows the world and also knows the things which are beyond this world²³. According to philosophers *Nafs* is the tool for *Kamal* in physical body. Here *Kamal* stands for the origin of all the *Quwā* through which different *Harkat* and different *Af'āl* take place²².

Arastu said that *Nafs* is not a body. If we consider *Nafs* as a body, then by any addition and reduction in the body *Nafs* will also get affected. *Nafs* is on its own, it doesn't have any component. The *Nafs* does not get destroyed by being separated from the body, but in fact body gets destroyed by being separated from the *Nafs*. In *Nafs* there are two types of *Quwwat*; one *Quwwat* is of *Aq'l* (intelligence) another one is *Hiss* (sensation). By *Aq'l* (intelligence) it understands the things and by *Hiss* (sensation) it perceives the things. *Bi'l Quwā*, the images of things and its recognition ability are already exist in *Nafs* and when *Nafs* identifies these things then these are *Bi'lFi'l*. Nafs of every *Haywān* is different from other⁶.

Fisagoras (Pythagoras) said that for body, *Nafs* is like the king and for *Nafs*, body is its tool and acts as its helper and *Tabi'at* is *Khazana* (treasurer) for the *Nafs*. *Nafs* does its work by itself and sometimes with the help of its tools. Different functions of *Nafs* inside the body are like sunrays, as sunrays fall on all the things at a time and each and every body according to its strength absorb its effects. Some bodies become white, some dry, some soft and some hard⁶. Aflatoon said that all kinds of *Nafs* are similar and if any difference is there that would be due to the difference in the *Mizaj* of individual. He said that when God is one, intelligence is one, air, water and earth are also one, so when everything is one then how it is possible that *Nafs* are numerous²³.

According to philosophers *Nafs* is of two types:

- 1. Nafs Falki or Samavi or Asmani: It is related to the celestial bodies like moon, sun and stars which are moving on their own axis and also move around each other.
- 2. Nafs Ardi: It is mainly related to the animals 22 . It is of three types: 7
 - a) Nafs Nabati: It is found in all plants, trees, grass etc. by this they obtain their food, grow and reproduce⁶.
 - b) Nafs Haywani: It is found in animals. It is of two types:
 - First type of *Nafs* goes from heart to brain and produces *Hiss* and *Harkat*.
 - Second type of Nafs is related to the heart, it goes through the arteries and provides life²³.
 - c) *Nafs Insani*: It is found only in human beings. It provides the intellect power and *Quwwat Natiqa* (power of speaking) to the humans⁷.

Tabi'at and Nafs both perform their functions with the help of Quwā as they both use it as their tool. These are the things through which Tadbīr of Ḥaywān and Nabat occur. Tabi'at does the Tadbīr of both the Ḥaywān and Nabat, and Nafs does the Tadbīr of Ḥaywān alone. The important functions of Ṭabi'at are Tawlīd (genesis), Numu (growth) and Taghdhiya (nourishment). The functions of Nafs are so many, some are those by which Ḥayāt is sustained by the movement of contraction and relaxation of the heart and arteries. Some functions are those by which sensation and voluntary movements and intellectual activity take place²².

HARĀRAT GHARīZIYYA

The common tool for these *Quwā* is *Ḥarārat Gharīziyya*, by this, *Quwwat Nafsāniyya* is capable to perform voluntary movements and *Quwwat Ḥaywāniyya* is capable to penetrate in entire body and *Quwwat Ṭabī'iyya* is capable to digest the food and provides the nutriments to the body. The centre of this *Ḥarārt* is heart⁵.

The *Ḥarārat Gharīziyya* initially bestowed in offspring through the *Ḥaiwān Manviya* (sperm) and *Baiza-e-Unsa* (ovum) from the parents at the time of *Istiqrar-e-Hamal* (fertilization) and it is responsible for the cell division. The same *Ḥarārat* which is produced from the *Taghayyurat* (changes) of the foetus is entertained for the establishment of initial and basic *Ḥarārat* in the body²⁷.

Ibn Rushd said that <code>Harārat</code> <code>Gharīziyya</code> is <code>Harārat</code> <code>Tabī'iyya</code> or <code>Harārat</code> <code>Qalb</code> that is responsible for all the bodily functions²¹. Jalinoos said that <code>Harārat</code> <code>Gharīziyya</code> is the <code>Harārat</code> of living things which is responsible for the growth of the body. Aflatoon states that <code>Harārat</code> <code>Gharīziyya</code> is the <code>Nār</code> <code>Ilahi</code>. For the strengthening and sustaining of <code>Harārat</code> <code>Gharīziyya</code> food is necessary supplement. Yusuf Harwi explained that <code>Harārat</code> <code>Gharīziyya</code> is that <code>Harārat</code> which is found within the human body

due to which the *Ḥayāt* (life) and *Surat* (morph) of same are maintained.

Harārat Gharīziyya accomplishes those functions which are needed in animals like absorption of useful things, their retention and digestion etc²⁸. In addition; it is brought into being from the very beginning of the life and ends with cessation of life. It is continuously produced from the Istiḥālat (metabolism), Hadhm (digestion), chemical changes and Mawād wa Ruṭūbat Badniya²⁷. This is the Ḥarārat which is found in Rūḥ Ḥaywānī of the body and it is Ṭabī'ī and Gharīzi Ḥarārat. This Ḥarārat is responsible for continuation of life. Longevity depends on Harārat *Gharīziyya*. It is entirely different from the other type of *Ḥarārat*. It is neither Haad (intense) nor La'ze (corrosive) nor Muharriq (roasted) nor undergoes putrefaction. The physiological function of Ḥarārat Gharīziyya does not take place without the association of Ruṭūbat Gharīziyya. Ruṭūbat Gharīziyya is that fluid which has the relation to the *Harārat Gharīziyya* exactly as the relation of oil to $lamp^{28}$.

$A'd\bar{A}'$

 $Quw\bar{a}$ with the help of $A'd\bar{a}'$ perform all their functions. $A'd\bar{a}'$ (organs) are the parts of the body that act as tools for the $Quw\bar{a}$ through which $Af'\bar{a}l$ take place. $A'd\bar{a}'$ are those bodies which are made up of $Kaseef\ Akhl\bar{a}t$, likewise $Akhl\bar{a}t$ are those bodies which are made from $Ark\bar{a}n$. There are two types of $A'd\bar{a}'$: one is $A'd\bar{a}'$ Mufrida (single organs) also known as $A'd\bar{a}'$ $Bas\bar{a}t$ or $A'd\bar{a}'$ $Mutash\bar{a}biha\ al-Ajz\bar{a}'$ and another one is $A'd\bar{a}'$ Murakkaba (compound organs) also known as $A'd\bar{a}'Aliya$. On the basis of different characteristics every organ differs from each other and their functions discharge accordingly. With the help of each other organised functions of the body take place²⁹.

On the basis of $Quw\bar{a}$ and $Af'\bar{a}l$, Majoosi classified $A'd\bar{a}'Murakkaba$ into three types i.e. $A'd\bar{a}'$ $Tab\bar{\iota}'iyya$ (natural/physical organs), $A'd\bar{a}'$ $Haiw\bar{a}niyya$ (vital organs) and $A'd\bar{a}'$ $Nafs\bar{a}niyya$ (mental/psychical organs)²².

TYPES OF QUWĀ

Quwā are classified into three types as contended by Unani physicians i.e. Quwwat Tabī'iyya, Quwwat Haywāniyya and Quwwat Nafsāniyya. Figure. 2 Whereas, philosophers account into four types i.e. Quwwat Tabī'iyya, Quwwat Haywāniyya, Quwwat Nafsāniyya and Quwwat Tanāsuliyya. First type of Quwwat is related to Tabi'at and it is known as Quwwat Tabī'iyya. Second type of Quwwat is related to Nafs and establishes Hayat in the body and it is termed as Quwwat Haywāniyya. Third type of Quwwat is also related to Nafs and is concerned with Tadbir (to contrive a plan), Hiss, Harkat Iradi and it is known as Quwwat Nafsāniyya. Table. 1

Table. 1

Quwa	Vital	Significance
(Power)	Organ	
Quwwat	Jigar	Responsible for <i>Tawlīd</i> ,
Ţabī'iyya	(Liver)	Numu and Taghdhiya in
		human
Quwwat	Qalb	Maintain integration of
Ḥaywāniyya	(Heart)	human body, makes the organ
		able to accept sensation and
		movement and all types of
		Hazm o Nuzj (metabolism).
Quwwat	Dimagh	Regulates the sensations and
Nafsāniyya	(Brain)	movements of the body.

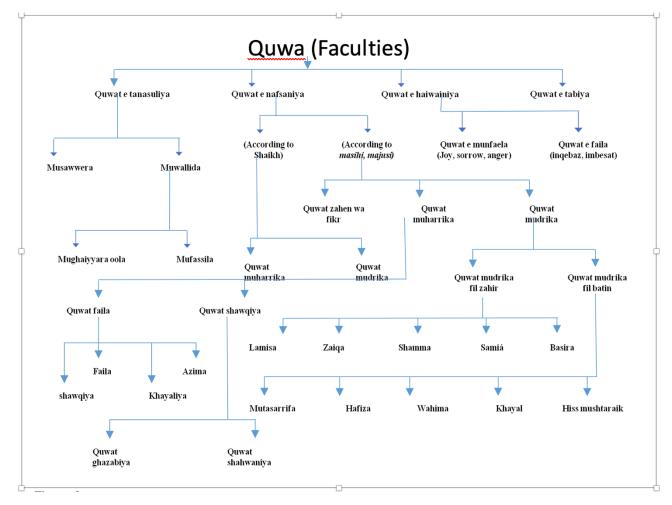


Figure. 2

Some scholars orderly placed *Quwa* like *Quwwat Tabī'iyya*, *Quwwat Ḥaywāniyya* and *Quwwat Nafsāniyya*. They do so because they put the *Quwā* according to their being of commonest form. Therefore, *Quwwat Tabī'iyya* is more common than other two *Quwā* because it is also found in *Nabat* (plants) thereafter *Quwwat Ḥaywāniyya* and *Quwwat Nafsāniyya*. Some scholars reverse the above sequence on the basis of their superiority and nobility. According to them *Quwwat Nafsāniyya* is more superior to the other two *Quwā*. Some put the *Quwwat Ṭabī'iyya* first then *Quwwat Nafsāniyya* and then *Quwwat Ḥaywāniyya*. Here *Quwā* are mentioned with increasing order of superiority³.

QUWWAT ṬABī'IYYA

Majoosi said that it is present in all the Ḥaywān and Nabat by which their Tawlīd, Numu and Taghdhiya occur. In animals, Tawlīd is the conversion of Jawhar Māni to the organs of the body. Numu is the growth of the organs up to the period of Sinni-Shabāb. Taghdhiya provides Badl Mā Yatahallal (replenishment) as Taḥlīl (dissolution) continuously occurs in the body either externally or internally or both²². Masihi said that it is that Quwwat which provides nutrition to the whole body and eliminates the Fudlah from the body⁵. Likewise, plants also need Quwwat Ṭabī'iyya for Tawlīd, Numu and Taghdhiya, which are needed for their survival²². For the replenishment to the entire body Quwwat Ṭabī'iyya produces blood which is the fluid for life because whatever amount of $R\bar{u}h$ is dissolved its substitute is provided by the blood and whatever dissolution occurs in organs of the body its substitute is also provided by the blood whether this substitute is equal to the amount of dissolution or more or less. Secondly this *Quwwat* is needed because, from the very beginning of life, body is not in a stage of Kamal so development of body is needed. This Quwwat is Quwwat Ṭabī'iyya and its centre is *Jigar*. It is the centre for the *Af'āl* of *Taghdhiya* as well. It is considered as the kitchen or a big factory where food is prepared in huge amount to meet the requirement of nutrients of the body³. Masihi, Tabri and Ibn Rushd illustrated that *Quwwat* Ṭabī'iyya is of three types: Quwwat Ghādhiya, Quwwat Nāmiya and Quwwat Muwallida21. In contrary to Ibn Rushd, Masihi and Tabri attributed Quwwat Namiya as Quwwat Murabbiya^{5,6}. Whereas Ibn Sina classified Quwwat Ṭabī'iyya into two types: Ouwwat Khādima and Ouwwat Makhdooma. Then Makhdooma has further two divisions one for the survival of individual, which are Quwwat Ghādhiya, and Quwwat Nāmiya and other for the survival of species, which is Quwwat Muwallida⁴. In addition Tabri added four subservient Quwā: Quwwat Jādhiba, Quwwat Māsika, Quwwat Hādima and Quwwat Dāfi'a, for Quwwat *Ṭabī 'iyya*⁶. Ibn Sina said that these four *Quwā* are the *Khādim* for Quwwat Ghādhiya and Quwwat Nāmiya⁴.

QUWWAT NAFSĀNIYYA

Masihi said that it is that *Quwwat* which regulates the sensations and movements⁵. Tabri said that it is the *Nafs Natiqa*. *Nafs Natiqa* can be found without matter whereas all other *Quwā* cannot be found without it⁶. A few types of *Quwwat Nafsāniyya* are found in *Ḥaywān Natiq* and *Ḥaywān Ghair Natiq*. A few other types of *Quwwat Nafsāniyya* are specially restricted to *Ḥaywān Natiq* exhibited by *Tadbūr*, *Takhayyul*, *Fikr* and *Zikr*²².

The need of Quwwat Nafsāniyya in humans, is because, human body is exposed to both bad things as well as good things. So there is a need, that body and organs should sense it and know the difference between these two things, that what is good or bad for it. And also there should be a power of movement, so that it grabs the good things by moving towards it and run away from the bad things. Thus a Quwwat is needed which produces sense, perception and movement in the body and this Quwwat is Quwwat Nafsāniyya and its centre is Dimāgh (brain), because when any $A' s\bar{a}b$ (nerve) is ligated or cut then movement and sensation of the organ supplied by that nerve is ceased. And when any obstruction occurs in the root of spinal cord then the organs below it becomes motionless and senseless. Whenever there is any obstruction occurs in the brain then the sensation and movement of all body get ceased. Nerves are the *Khādim* of brain; these transmit the *Quwwat Nafsāniyya* from brain to the organs³.

Ibn Rushd and Tabri said that *Quwwat Nafsāniyya* is of three types: *Quwwat Natiqa*, *Quwwat Hissiyya* and *Quwwat Mutaharrika*^{6,21}. Tabri further divides *Nafs Natiqa* into three types *Quwwat Takhayyul*, *Quwwat Fikriyya* and *Quwwat Hafiza*⁶. IbnSina said that *Quwwat Nafsāniyya* is of two types: *Quwwat Muharrika* and *Quwwat Mudrika*⁴. Whereas Masihi classified it into three types: *Quwwat Hassasiyya*, *Quwwat Muharrika* and *Quwwat Mudabbira*⁵.

QUWWAT ḤAYWĀNIYYA

It is needed to maintain integration of human body, because human body is made up of four *Arkān* and all *Arkān* are prone to move naturally to their natural place. So, a *Quwwat* is needed which binds together all the four *Arkān* forcefully. And this *Quwwat* is *Quwwat Ḥaywāniyya*³.

Ibn Sina and Allama Nafees said that $Quwwat Hayw\bar{a}niyya$ influences the organs and then these organs are inclined to accept the sensation, movement and life. Thereto, Ibn Sina attributed the human behaviour: anger, happiness and fear to this Quwwat. Also he considered the contraction and dilatation of cardiac movements which occur for restoration of $R\bar{u}h^{3,4}$. Allama Nafees further added that, this Quwwat accepts that Quwwat which is actively involved in transformation and consumption of diets in the body, whether such consumption is intended for preserving individual or species or both³. Masihi said that centre of $Quwwat Hayw\bar{a}niyya$ is heart 3,5 . Hamil is $R\bar{u}h$ and $\bar{A}la$ (tool) is $Shar\bar{a}y\bar{u}n$ (artery)⁵.

Jurjani said that *Quwwat Ḥaywāniyya* is that one which is related to the initiation of contraction and relaxation of the heart and arteries. When this *Quwwat* reaches to the organs it provides the sensation and movement and also the feelings of anger and fear are related to this. It makes the body and organs viable by sending *Rūḥ* in all the organs³⁰. Ibn Hubal Baghdadi said that *Quwwat Haywāniyya* is that which is formed in primary *Mizāj* of *Rūḥ*. Through arteries it goes to all organs so that it gives life to them. In addition it expels out the *Dukhāni Bukhār* from the lungs, does *Tarwīh* of the *Rūḥ*, *Ta'dīl* of *Jawhar Rūḥ* by the movements of contraction and relaxation²⁹. Heart is that organ in which *Rūḥ Ḥaywāni* exists and for the preservation of life this *Rūḥ*, through the arteries, reaches all over the body. Arteries are the *Khādim* of the heart³.

Quwwat Ḥaywāniyya is of two types: Quwwat Nabziyah and Quwwat Nuzuiyah as stated by Ibn Rushd²¹. Masihi and Majoosi classified it in another way into two types: Quwwat Fā'ila and Quwwat Munfā'ila^{5,22}.

CONCLUSION

This paper exhibits that entire body is a combination of physical and non-physical (metaphysics) things. Understanding of metaphysics needs the principal of logic and philosophical approach. It relies on syllogism and practically on the demonstration of proof from the observed facts keeping priority of cause and posteriority of effect in strict consideration. Quwa is exclusively related with metaphysics. Its understanding provides the basis for weakness or plethora of faculty of each organ hypo function or hyper function respectively. Accordingly the diagnosis made and appropriate treatment is suggested for in disease condition of a particular organ. Without the proper understanding of non-physical form application of Unani medicine is not employed properly and it causes mistakes in diagnosis and treatment as well. It is an attempt to comprehend the concepts in present knowing taste.

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