

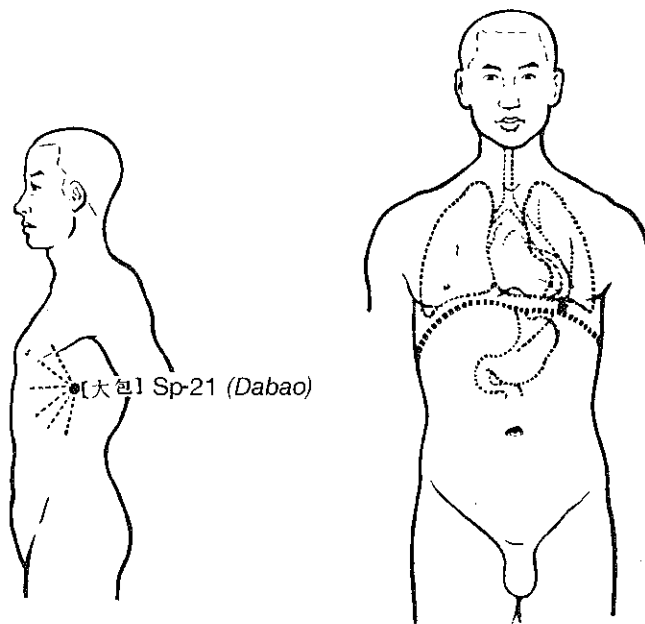
ACUPUNCTURE

A COMPREHENSIVE TEXT

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Dia. 1-28 Great Connecting Channels of the Spleen and Stomach

top of the head. When the channel reaches the level of the shoulder blades, it joins with the Bladder channel and threads through the spine.

Symptom of Excess: stiffness along the spine.

Symptom of Deficiency: heaviness or dizziness in the head.

15. The Great Connecting Channel of the Spleen (Dia. 1-28)

After separating from the Primary channel at point Sp-21 (Dabao) on the lateral aspect of the chest, this Connecting channel spreads through the hypochondria, gathering the Blood around the circumference of the body.

Symptom of Excess: general aches and pains throughout the body.

Symptom of Deficiency: weakness in the muscles of the limbs and joints.

16. The Great Connecting Channel of the Stomach (Dia. 1-28)

Below the left breast, the Qi of this channel is said to throb ceaselessly, a phenomenon which can be felt with the hand. The channel originates in the stomach cavity and crosses the diaphragm, connecting with the Lung.

Pathological symptoms: rapid breathing, irregular breathing, the sensation of a knot-like obstruction to breathing in the chest.

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