

Review by Kathy Thomas:

*The Last Series* by Margaret Plouvier-Suijs (Emryss Publishers, 2012)

I first encountered Plouvier-Suijs' work about four years ago when I had a patient who was from the Uranium series. The only published information readily available at the time was three brief pages in Jan Scholten's ground-breaking *Homeopathy and the Elements*. What to do?

Searching the Internet, I came across Plouvier-Suijs' name and emailed her in desperation, not expecting a reply. However, within days she responded sending me many pages of really useful information and cases, enabling me to prescribe confidently. This generosity and dedication to disseminating materia medica information is evident today in her recently published book *The Last Series*.

The book starts with acknowledgements followed by two useful articles about the series by Deborah Collins and Jeremy Sherr both of which add to the overall picture of the Actinides.

Following these introductory sections, Plouvier-Suijs adopts Scholten's approach in formatting this book which means it's very logical and easy to follow.

Firstly there is an introduction to the Actinides and a summary of main themes of the row.

Then, information about each Actinide follows. This is divided into an introductory section about the substance; themes of the stage; then themes of the actinide, itself. Any available proving information is included, as well as known symptoms.

For some of the actinides, salts are discussed along with their themes and provings and some summarised cases. As is always the case, inclusion of cases is always very helpful.

The publication of this book is long overdue and we now have a book that can fill in some of the huge gaps in our knowledge with this series and maybe provide the answers we seek with some of our 'problem' cases. As Deborah Collins says in the *Forward*, the actinides are "remedies of our times" and this book provides essential information about these remedies.