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A K.67+K.2592 (AMT 73,1; 74; 75,1)+ K.1714 (AMT 32,2)+ K.1714 (AMT 100,3)+ K.8809 (AMT 15,3)+ 79-7-8,163 (AMT 18,5)

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Text K.67+ which is presented in this contribution is an important ancient Near Eastern source in the study of diseases of the feet. It is a Neo-Assyrian tablet from Kuyunjik published in R.C. Thompson, Assyrian Medical Texts (henceforth AMT). In my on-going study of these texts, I have often noticed that older as well as more recent publications that refer to this text ignore the fact that other smaller fragments also published in AMT have been joined to K.67+. Hence reference is always made to each of the individual fragments. One contribution of the present study is that it presents K.67+ in its entirety with consecutive line numbering, transliteration, and translation.<sup>2</sup> K.67+ is a two-column tablet the top and bottom of which are unfortunately missing. Due to the lack of a colophon, the authorship and other information it might have contained, whether for example it formed part of a series, remain unknown. It can, however, be safely assumed that it was the work of an  $as\hat{u}$ , a physician, and probably not of an ašipu, an incantation priest. The tablet deals with afflictions of specific parts of the feet, beginning with what are probably the ankles and ending with the toenails. It is evident that the information in this tablet was culled from other sources. This can be demonstrated in the differing spelling (syllabic / logogram) of the same noun or verb even within a given column. It is also evident that the compiler of K.67+ had access to an Aššur text, BAM 124 (VAT 8772+15549), that also deals with diseases of the feet.<sup>3</sup> In fact it is through K.67+ i 48 that the incipit of BAM 124 (Ms. B) can be emended. A part of our text, col. i 48-ii 59, is parallel to BAM 124 col. i 1-32-col.ii 26-50 from which the compiler of K.67+ carefully copied, including a discrepancy in the text that he duly noted as a variant under the main line in an erasure (see footnote to Col.i 65a below).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This paper is dedicated to the memory of Dr. William A. Ward (1928-1996), my primary professor at the American University of Beirut. I wish to thank Prof. M. Geller for reading the manuscript and for his valuable comments and suggestions. My thanks also go to Dr. U. Steinert for photographing the tablet for me and for our many helpful discussions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The commentary is kept short, as this text will be incorporated in a future larger work by the author on diseases of the feet in Babylonian-Assyrian medicine.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Franz Köcher, *Babylonisch-Assyrische Medizin in Texten und Untersuchungen* II (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter & Co. 1963) Tafel 9-15. (henceforth *BAM*)

Although the first eighteen lines of col. i of K. 67+ are fragmentary, two aspects can be ascertained. Firstly it most probably begins with the disease of the *kabbartu* part of the foot,<sup>4</sup> and secondly it offers in its first column the possible cause of this disease or rather the manner in which the disease was contracted. This text gives five causes of the sickness of the kabbartu, the first of which is partially recognizable (lines 1-12). This cause was attributed to the afflicted person's inadvertently stepping into (used) wash water probably in a given location. A ritual might also have been described. The second cause is the infringement of a taboo, as in eating something taboo (line 13). A short ritual follows (lines 14-17) addressed to Ea, which also includes a prescription. The third manner in which the sickness of the *kabbartu* is contracted is stepping in wash water without reference to a particular location. In a ritual and the prayer addressed to Marduk (lines 18-22) it is clearly stated that the afflicted person has "knowingly or unknowingly" stepped in wash water. A detailed ritual was to be conducted before Šamaš, followed by a prescription for a bandage. The fourth manner in which this sickness can be contracted is described in lines 25-29, describing how the individual has stepped on a particular kind of cultic socle. A ritual is to be performed before Šamaš. After two more prescriptions for bandages, another ritual is described for what seems to have been a probable fifth cause for contracting the sickness. The individual has stepped on something pure, the identity of which remains unknown, as the text is broken at this point. An elaborate ritual is addressed to Ea, followed by a single prescription for a bandage. The text continues in the remainder of this 71-line column by describing specific symptoms of the afflicted kabbartu with their respective prescriptions for treatment. There are, therefore, four complete rituals in this column and it can be surmised that the first lines of this column probably included a ritual as well that would have been performed to absolve the sin of stepping into wash water in a particular location.

Although the first thirty-three of the seventy-two lines of col. ii are missing, the column more than likely continued with additional prescriptions for the treatment of the sickness of *kabbartu*. Beginning with line 38, however, the mode of treatment changes. Now we find prescribed the rubbing of the afflicted area with oil and sprinkling it with dried *materia medica*. Clearly, sores have developed. This listing of treatments is unexpectedly interrupted in lines 46 and 47 by decidedly negative prognoses. In line 46 we read that the patient would die, despite temporary signs of recovery, as he was seized by *māmītu* (curse). Death would also occur (line 47) should the disease produce *ruṭibtu*,<sup>5</sup> a suppurating (lit. dampness) sore. Although these two lines seem out of place, they were probably added to draw attention to the process of the gradual worsening of the condition of the feet as sores appear. Following this interruption, the text resumes listing prescriptions, firstly two again for bandages and beginning with line 51 a series for the application of medication on sores that appear on the feet. Sores develop also on the patient's groin (*kappaltu* col. ii 56). This condition reaches its climax in lines 60 and 61 in which the patient's feet are also described as now being full of sores. At this point a rather elaborate ritual (lines 62-67) is to be performed before Šamaš.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In view of the evidence, the *kabbartu* referred to the ankle. See below, "Diseases mentioned."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> A stage in the development of the sickness of the *kabbartu*. See Scurlock and Andersen, *Diagnoses*, 210. K. 67+ has a number of treatments prescribed for sores that develop on the feet. Some of these sores appear in Tablet 33 of the Diagnostic Handbook: *šumma*(DIŠ) *simmu*(GIG) *šikin*(GAR)-*šú* "If the appearance of the sore," N. Heeßel, *Babylonisch-assyrische Diagnostik*, 353-374.

In order to better understand K.67+ in general, and the course of the sickness of the kabbartu in particular, the reading for the logogram GIG should be differentiated according to the context. While generally the reading *murşu* "disease" is indicated, the reading *simmu* "sore, lesion" would in other instances be more appropriate. A reference in UET VI/3 895,6 an Old Babylonian text, is of particular interest to us in this case. This text presents in brief form prescriptions for eleven diseases involving sores and ends with a prescription in line 39 for ana sí-im-mi-rim ša ka-ba-ar-tim "Against the sore of the kabbartu." Should then all our references relating to the kabbartu be read simmi kabbarti "sore of the kabbartu" instead of murus kabbarti "sickness of the kabbartu"? Probably not. Although the development of sores is involved in the disease of the *kabbartu*, K.67+ differentiates between the general condition of the swelling and the later development of the sores, a fact that can be observed in the prescribed treatments. For the general treatment of the disease of the *kabbartu* warm bandages are prescribed, while sores are treated with dry materia medica. It is difficult to generalize from the single *UET* reference that refers to a particular treatment of the sore that develops as the disease progresses. By the syllabic writing of the word simmu, the writer of the text wanted to make sure that it was understood that the treatment by sprinkling a dry substance was to be used on the sore of the kabbartu condition, as can also be observed in K.67+. In fact, in K.67+ ii 45 the identical treatment with pomegranate skin, as in UET 895, 40, is prescribed, but with additional details. Furthermore, it should be considered that, like several later Babylonian-Assyrian medical texts, K.67+ follows a familiar pattern: šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) murus(GIG) X marus(GIG) "If a man is sick with the X sickness" which is followed in texts listing a number of treatments for a single disease, or for what the  $as\hat{u}$  or the  $\bar{a}$ sipu considered part of that disease. In this context, it should be noted that not all of the varieties of sores that are dealt with in this text are exclusively related to afflictions of the foot. They can appear elsewhere on the body as well as on the foot. Hence, the reading of GIG as simmu or murşu depends on context.

At this point the question is to what extent these various sores should be considered as a development of the affliction that originated on the *kabbartu* of the patient's foot. For the Mesopotamian physician, they were probably considered to be related to the original condition of the *kabbartu*.

In the final paragraphs of the second column, the development of many sores most probably as a further manifestation of the afflicted *kabbartu* is described, closing this section with a detailed ritual (ii 61-67). The text then resumes with prescriptions for the *ruţibtu* (dampness) disease which is described as a sore that appears on the scrotum or on the foot. It is the first disease mentioned after the *kabbartu*.

Only forty-one lines of col. iii can be accounted for. The listing of prescriptions for the treatment of sores on the feet continues. With line 13, however, a new element is introduced. A *bubu'tu*-vesicle develops on the patient's foot. We are not informed which part of the foot

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> I thank Krisztián Simkó (BabMed Berlin) for drawing my attention to this reference. A. Shaffer, *Ur Excavations Texts*, VI/3: *Literary and Religious Texts*, Plate 90, 895.

is affected, but this ailment is called *sagbānu*. A series of prescriptions is listed in a very laconic form beginning with the logogram MIN "ditto", presumably a continuing reference to the *sagbānu*-disease. Beginning with line 28 and probably continuing to line 41, prescriptions for *nuḥurtu*-disease are listed. As col. iii is fragmentary after line 33, nothing definitive can be said as to its content. As the columns of K.67+ have about 71/72 lines, it can be assumed that thirty-one or thirty-two lines are missing from the bottom of col. iii.

The first thirteen prescriptions of col. iv begin only with "ditto". For this reason the disease to which they refer cannot be determined. They, however, clearly deal with the treatment of sores. Most of the prescriptions instruct the attending  $as\hat{u}$  to first wash the sore and then apply oil to it before proceeding with the additional applications.

Although this tablet is unfortunately incomplete, a structure in the analysis of disease can be discerned. The sickness of the *kabbartu* at some point during its course develops sores (suppurating sores). The text deals with a number of other sores that were probably unrelated to the disease of the *kabbartu*.

As in many Babylonian-Assyrian medical texts, K.67+ extensively uses the expression DIŠ KI.MIN "If ditto" at the beginning of a series of prescriptions to denote that the condition is the same as that mentioned above. This is a space-saving measure which also avoids the unnecessary repetition of identical symptoms with alternative prescriptions. In several instances in column iii, e.g. line 18 or19, the KI.MIN "ditto" appears at the end of the prescription after the listing of the *materia medica* and stands in this case for the method of their application.

Below is a brief summary of the conditions described in K.67+ reflecting the structure of this tablet.

Col. i 1-ii 45	kabbartu (ii 1-33 missing, ii 34-45 more than likely kabbartu)
Col. ii 46-47	Prognoses (for ruţibtu / rušumtu in parallel Ms. B)
Col. ii 48-55	kabbartu
Col. ii 56-67	Development of sores in the groin (kappaltu), and numerous sores on
	the feet. These sores are not identified by name.
Col. ii 68-iii 12	ruṭibtu
Col. iii 13-iii 27	sagbānu (bubu'tu). The only title of an incantation is mentioned in line
	23.
Col. iii 28-iii 33	nuḥurtu
Col iii 34-iii 40	Fragmentary
Col. iii 41-iii 72(?)	Missing
Col. iv 1-16	Disease cannot be ascertained
Col. iv 17-23	Conditions of the heel
Col. iv 24-25	Condition of the sole of the foot
Col. iv 26-32	Infection as a result of scatching
Col. iv 33-35	Conditions of the toes (?)
Col. iv 36-46	Conditions of the toe nail.

Tablet breaks off

#### Diseases mentioned:

There are four afflictions mentioned by name in this text that involve the feet or the lower extremities of the body. An attempt at identifying these, though interesting, is a difficult endeavor and should be approached cautiously. Although the Mesopotamian asû had a profound ability to observe, record details of symptoms, and attribute that group of symptoms to a particular disease, a one-on-one identification of that disease with a particular modern ailment is rarely viable. Such an endeavor could, however, point us in the right general direction in any attempt at identifying the diseases. Often a given Mesopotamian disease and its symptoms could correspond to two or more related modern-day diseases. As J. Scurlock and B. Andersen write, "Trying to diagnose infections that occured three or four millennia ago is like trying to hit a moving target." But they then add, "It is clear, however, that infectious disease patterns that bear striking similarity to modern diseases running the gamut of microorganisms from bacteria and viruses to fungi and parasites were already well established in ancient Mesopotamia."8 As the strain of the pathogen and therefore the course of the disease may have changed over the millennia, K.-H. Leven cautions us against the dangers of applying "retrospective diagnosis" to ancient medicine. Mesopotamian world indeed had an abundance of disease, but the sketchy ancient descriptions seldom bear the burden of modern proof.<sup>9</sup>

#### 1) *kabbartu* (col. i 1-70 and ii-55)

It is interesting to note that the treatments of a particular condition of the *kabbartu* part of the foot occupy a considerable portion of this tablet. It seems as though it was considered as the originating source of a number of other afflictions of the lower part of the body. This, however, is not necessarily so. Based on lexicrographical evidence, the *kabbartu* is part of the foot, and more specifically the "side of the foot," and an entry in an Old Babylonian bilingual lexical text AUAM 73.3176 rev. 15 [SAG].GÎR = *ka-bar-[ti]* refers to the "top part (head) of the foot." D. Schwemer identifies *kabbartu* as the "Sprungbein" (anklebone) in a ritual from Hattuša (KUB 37, 43 rev. 10-22). The ritual involves taking the left anklebone from a dead man, rubbing it with oil, and dressing it with a headdress which would clearly represent a female person as a demonic female witch. The identification of *kabbartu* as the ankle part of the foot is confirmed by the entry in Erimhuš "side of the foot," and by the Old Babylonian reference, above, that considers the *kabbartu* as the "head" of the foot, i.e. the ankle. The evidence gathered from K.67+ also clearly points to a disease that affects that part

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The words "affliction" and "condition" are used because of their more general connotations, as not all that is described is a disease or an illness. A number of the other observations described are different kinds of "sores" and pustules.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Scurlock and Andersen, *Diagnoses*, 86-87.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> K.H. Leven, "'At Times these Ancient Facts Seem to Lie before Me Like a Patient on a Hospital Bed'—Retrospective Diagnosis and Ancient Medical History," in *Magic and Rationality in Ancient Near Eastern and Graeco-Roman Medicine*, H.F.J. Horstmanshoff and M. Stol (eds.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Erimhuš II 218f. ZAG. $\mathring{G}$ IR = kab-bar- $t\acute{u}$  "the side of the foot." The Lexical Series Erim-huš = anantu, tablet II MSL 17. Erimhus is a bilingual series which gives Sumerian words grouped in semantic sections.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> M. Cohen, "Literary Texts from the Andrews University Archaeological Museum," *RA* 70 (1976) 141-142. Also M. Stol, Review of Abusch, T. and D. Schwemer, Corpus of Mesopotamian Anti-Witchcraft Rituals, Vol. 1, *BiOr*, LXX (2013) 126.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> D. Schwemer, Abwehrzauber und Behexung, 115.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> *Ibid*. 115-116.

of the foot, a condition that seems to have been observable enough to warrant a detailed description in the present text and also in the parallel reference Ms. B.

If the *kabbartu* refers to the "side" and "top" of the foot, to which bone does it refer? The ankle joint is composed of three bones:

- 1) The *tibia* (commonly, shin bone). The bone felt on the inside of one's ankle is part of the base of the *tibia*.
- 2) The *fibula* is the thinner bone that runs next to the *tibia*. The lower end of the *fibula* is felt on the outside of one's ankle. This is the bone that is commonly called the ankle bone.
- 3) The *talus* which sits above the heel bone is located underneath the *tibia* and *fibula* and in function resembles that of a "ball joint" connecting the lower leg with the foot and giving the foot a wide range of movement. Unlike the *tibia* and the *fibula*, the *talus* cannot be felt or seen.

In the ritual from Hattuša cited above, the left *kabbartu* that was to be excised from a dead man could have only been the *fibula*, because that is the anklebone which was easily seen and felt. The base of the *fibula* would have formed the "head" of the figurine.

We conclude that the *fibula* was referred to as *kabbartu* in Mesopotamian medicine. <sup>14</sup> The disease of the ankle, *muruṣ kabbarti*, referred to the unhealthy condition of the ankle, more specifically that characterized by swelling and sores. Thus *kabbartu* referred both to a body part and to a disease affecting that body part.

Stages (pathology) of *kabbartu* as described in K.67+

I 1-42 causes

I 43 First development of disease with "white and black" caused by mamītu

I 48 first serious progression: "penetrating" to the bone (?) flesh is white and black

I 52 heels are swollen

I 55 heel full of clay

I 57 feet full of blood

I 66 appearance of his flesh is confusing

I 68 muscles of feet are stiff

I 70 he cannot walk around (by himself)

#### Col ii

II 46 he suffers greatly from *kabbartu* because the "curse" has seized him, prognosis is death.

II 47 If *kabbartu* has produced *ruţibtu* "moistness", prognosis is death.

II 48-55 Prescriptions for kabbartu

#### Not related to *kabbartu*:

The text lists a number of suppurating sores that appear on the lower extremities.

II 56 the *kappaltu* is affected, but condition is not described

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Contra *CAD* M/I 92 s.v. *mahirtu* (a bone of the leg, perhaps the fibula). For *mahirtu* in the present text see note to col. iii 28.

II 60-65 Feet full of sores and they have a particular duration

II 68 An itching sore comes up either on the foot or on the scrotum, the ruțibtu qilûtu disease

II 70 An itching sore comes up on the foot, the *ruţibtu* disease

III 13 A sore that is like a boil, *sagbānu* 

III 28 mahirtu-bone is nuhhuru

III 31 nuhurtu disease

IV 17 The heel is broken

IV 19 The heel is split

IV 23 Heels constantly sore

IV 24 Soles of the feet hurt

IV 26 Infection due to scratching

IV 36 The toe nail has either fallen off or [...]

The disease *kabbartu* has been variously identified. The most recent identification of *murus* kabbarti as "Mycetoma" is proposed by Scurlock and Andersen. <sup>15</sup> Mycetoma is commonly called Madura foot after the region of Madura in India where the disease was first identified in the mid-1800s. Although Mycetoma affects primarily the foot and lower leg, infecting the dorsal aspect of the forefoot, it can also occur anywhere on the body, the hand being another common site. Mycetoma is endemic in Africa (especially Sudan and Somalia) and India. It can be found in the Middle East (between the latitudes 15°S and 30°N), but is not endemic in Iraq. Another aspect that should be taken into consideration is the fact that Mycetoma is a disease that develops very slowly and can take several years after the initial entry of the bacteria or fungus into the body through a minor injury in the skin before even a subcutaneous nodule appears. As it is completely painless, it commonly remains unnoticed by the patient for some time. After a number of years the nodule itself develops into a massive swelling which ultimately ruptures the skin and lesions can be observed. Penetration to the bone is not common. Did the Mesopotamian physician actually recognize that all the symptoms he listed belonged to one particular disease that developed gradually over a number of years? It is rather the case of the physician listing several possible conditions that effect the ankle which may have included Mycetoma among other possibilities. The murus kabbarti probably referred rather to the condition of swelling (or thickening) of the dorsal aspect of the foot and ankle side of the foot, regardless of the cause.

#### 2) sagbānu (iii 12-27)

As described in our text, the *sagbānu* is a boil on the foot that starts as a *bubu'tu* that festers and develops into what is then referred to as *sagbānu*. This is the only entry through which some idea can be gained about this skin condition. The entry in Tablet 33 of the Diagnostic Series, line 64 is damaged and probably referred to a part of the body that "is seized and is black: its name is *sagbānu*." This would indicate that the condition is most likely a disease and not only a sore.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> J. Scurlock and B. Andersen, *Diagnoses*, 78.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> N. Heeßel, *Diagnostik*, 362.

*Sagbānu* appears amongst names of other skin conditions and diseases in an Old Babylonian list of incantations, indicating that these diseases had descended from heaven.<sup>17</sup> An identification of theses diseases, however, remains difficult.

#### 3) ruţibtu / rušumtu (ii 68-iii 12)

In K.67+ ruţibtu is mentioned in three contexts. First, in col. ii 47 in which kabbartu develops ruţibtu which is considered to be fatal for the patient. In the parallel Ms. B ii 35 ruţibtu is replaced by rušumtu, a fact that could refer to a possible relationship between these two kinds of sores. It should be especially noted that ruţibtu / rušumtu would be fatal if it develops during the course of the kabbartu condition. In the prescriptions that follow, a worsening of the condition with the appearance of several sores is observed. A ritual closes this part of the text which could possibly indicate that the reference to a special kind of ruţibtu that follows is not to be considered the fatal kind mentioned earlier.

Second, in col. ii 68 a prescription for a specific kind of very itchy *ruţibtu* sore is presented. It is called *ruţibtu* "burning *ruţibtu*" as translated by Surlock and Andersen. The present context probably refers to the appearance and color of this sore, possibly as it forms a wet scab, hence the analogy to 'burnt material' in " 'damp' burnt material." As this sore can appear either on the foot or on the scrotum, a suppository is prescribed.

Third, in col ii 70 reference is made to a *ruţibtu* disease. After these references, a series of ten prescriptions is given.

After the fatal prognosis in ii 47, the text resumes the listing of prescriptions for *kabbartu* ii 48-55. Beginning with line ii 56 prescriptions are offered for sores and are accompanied by a ritual (ii 61-67). The name of the sores is not given. Following this, a series of prescriptions for the *ruţibtu* sores is given (ii 68-iii 12), which leaves us with the question whether the preceding prescriptions (ii 56-67) are also to be considered for *ruţibtu*.

Our text does not offer more detail, but the fact that sores are being described can be gathered from the entries in tablet 33 of the Diagnostic Series, lines 18 and 19 where *ruţibtu* is said to be "like the *ummedu*, he scratches (and) constantly water flows out." 19

#### 4) *nuhurtu* (iii 28-40)

The identity of the disease *muruṣ nuḥurti* (iii 32) remains speculative, as both K.67+ and its parallel Ms. B do not offer a description of the symptoms of this disease. The adjective form in a prescription for a bandage for a *šēpi nuḥurti* (iii 31) "*nuḥurtu*-foot" is also of little help in identifiying this condition of the foot. One reference, however, refers to a bone that is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> A. Goetze, "An Incantation Against Diseases," *JCS* 9 (1955) 8-10. Although only a small number of medical texts from the Old Babylonian period have survived, a thematic agreement can be observed between the incantations and many of the diseases mentioned in medical texts. N. Wasserman, "Between Magic and Medicine – Apropos of an Old Babylonian Therapeutic Text against Kurārum Disease" in *Disease in Babylonia*, I. Finkel and M. Geller (eds.) 40-61.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> J. Scurlock and B. Andersen, *Diagnoses*, 210. *CAD* Q s.v. *qilûtu*, "firewood, burnt material" 252a reads this reference KI-*lu-tum* as the name of a disease.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> N. Heeßel, *Diagnostik*, 354. J. Scurlock and Andersen, *Diagnoses*, 210.

*nuḥḥuru*, as in iii 28 *maḥirtašu nuḥḥurat* "his tibia is *nuḥḥuru*". This condition, therefore, can affect the leg bone and the foot.

#### Other conditions mentioned:

As the text breaks off leaving col. iii incomplete, the diseases that might have been subsequently mentioned remain unknown. Nine prescriptions for treating conditions of the heel are listed in col. iv 17-23 (see footnotes to lines iv 17 and 19).

Although the preserved portion of col. iv is damaged, it clearly deals with conditions of the toenails. The nature of these conditions can only be guessed at, which, as pointed out earlier, is risky. The fact that a patient's toenail can actually fall off is a very common complication of advanced type 2 diabetes accompanied by sores on the foot that do not heal and also fungal infections, among other problems. It is, therefore, possible that the symptoms described in iv 24-45 are to be related to a diabetic condition.

The author of K.67+ has compiled all clearly observable conditions that can afflict the lower extremities and more particularly the feet, a fact that bears witness to the ability of the Mesopotamian physician to observe carefully paying great attention to detail. The ability to look beyond the observable and differentiate the causes of these symptoms was to come only several centuries later. But careful observation and attention to detail are always the first steps in scientific thought.

<u>Tools used</u>: copper *tangussu*-vessel, *laḥannu*-bottle.

Procedures in the preparation of the *materia medica*: drying  $(ab\bar{a}lu)$ , crushing  $(ba\bar{s}\bar{a}lu)$ , pounding  $(s\hat{a}ku)$ , crushing/grinding  $(pa'\bar{a}su)$ , boiling  $(ba\bar{s}\bar{a}lu)$ , heating in an oven  $(ina\ tin\bar{u}ri\ sek\bar{e}ru)$ , charring (urruru), roasting  $(qal\hat{u})$ , mixing  $(bal\bar{a}lu\ and\ em\bar{e}du)$ , decocting  $(rab\bar{a}ku^{20},\ usually\ in\ kas\hat{u}\ juice$ , but also in ghee, lard, beer, or milk), spreading on a piece of cloth  $(ter\hat{u})$ , piling up  $(tab\bar{a}ku)$ .

<u>Treatments:</u> bandaging  $(\underline{sam\bar{a}du})$ , rubbing with oil or ghee  $(pa\underline{s}\bar{a}\underline{s}u)$ , wiping the sores  $(kap\bar{a}ru)$ , bathing  $(ra\underline{h}\bar{a}\underline{s}u)$  and  $mes\hat{u}$ , sprinkling of dried materia medica  $(sar\bar{a}qu)$  and  $zar\hat{u}$ , applying medication  $(nad\hat{u})$  lit. throw), pouring and administering an enema  $(tab\bar{a}ku)$  and  $\underline{sap\bar{a}ku}$ , daubing  $(eq\hat{u})$ , preparation of an anal suppository (allanu).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> According to *CAD* s.v. *rabāku* "to decoct."

#### The Text

Col. i

i 1		] x x ašri(KI) elli(KÙ.GA)
i 2	$m\hat{e}(A)\ rimki(T[U_5]) \ [ikbus^? \ bu-s[u]$	lū es]-ra lū suq-ána <sup>21</sup> ik-
i 3		] x ut ina muḫḫi(UGU)
i 4	kupri(ESIR.ḪÁD.DU) tušazzassu(GUB-su) [ a-ra-an-šú	] kispu(KI.SÌ.GA)-ka il-pu-ut
i 5	<i>u-ru-un-su</i> [	]x kispa(KI.SÌ.GA) i-kàs-sip
i 6	[ karān(GEŠT)	[N)] šēlebi(KA5.A) <sup>Ú</sup> a-zal-la
i 7	[ tupaššaš(EŠ.MEŠ) taṣammid(LAL)	] x <i>ḫimēta</i> (Ì.NUN)
i 8	[ <i>bīnu</i> ( <sup>GIŠ</sup> ŠINIG) <sup>Ú</sup> x[ ]	] ašru(KI)-šú-ma <sup>22</sup>
i 9	[ elli(KÙ.G[A])	t]a-sár-raq ašri(KI)
i 10		[S]Š)-šú ana x [
i 11	$[{}^{\circ}s]i$ - $b[u$ ${}^{\circ}]a$ - $a$ -	ral-la x[
i 12	[ ] ašāgu([GIŠ].Ú.GÍR) x [ lubāri(TÚG) [te-ṭer5-ri taṣammid(LAL)] <sup>23</sup>	tara-ba]k ina
i 13	[šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) k]a-bar-ta maruṣ(G asakka(KUG.AN) <sup>24</sup> <sup>[</sup> i]-[ku-ul]	IG)-ma [
i 14	$[m\hat{e}(A) t]a$ - $hab$ - $bu$ ana $libbi(\check{S}\grave{A}) m\hat{e}(A) rimki$ $ta$ - $hab$ - $bu$ $[$	$(T[U_5])[$
i 15	[dÉ]-a šar(LUGAL) ap-si-i amēlu(LÚ) an-n[u ina pāni(IGI)-ka [	] x LUM?

 $<sup>^{21}</sup>$  The suggested emendation and reading are based on context. For the adjective *esru* relating to a street see *CAD* E 338a s.v. *esru*. The reading for *suqannu* is conjectural, and I am not aware of another reference for this form of

spelling as it appears in our present text. See *CAD* S 398b s.v. *suqinnu*.

The reading is a possible suggestion, as in the first ten lines of this text reference is often made to location.

A likely emendation as e.g. line 24 below.

The reading *asakku* "taboo" is a suggestion based on context, as the disease is seen as being caused by fault of the patient knowingly or unknowingly as in lines 18 and 25.

# Translation

# Col. i

i 1	[	] clean ground. Into wash water
i 2	[he has stepped	] He accidentally stepped either onto a
	blocked street or onto a	suqannu-road (a byroad).
i 3	[	] You make him stand on bitumen. <sup>25</sup>
i 4	[ offering.	] His misdeed has defiled (touched) your funerary
i 5	[	] He makes a funerary offering.
i 6	[	] "fox"-wine, azallû
i 7	[	] you rub with ghee, you bandage (the afflicted part)
i 8	[	] its location, tamarisk and [
i 9	[	] you sprinkle on clean ground.
i 10	[	] you rub him (only traces)
i 11	siḫu-wood [	] azallû [
i 12	ašāgu [	] you decoct. [You spread it on] a piece of clot
	[and bandage (the affect	ted part)].
i 13	[If a man is sick] with taboo.	he sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> [ ] he has infringed on a
i 14	You draw [water] (and	in the water you wash [ ] You draw water [ ]
i 15	Ea, lord of the subterra	nean waters, this man [ ] (has) before you [ ]

 $<sup>^{25}</sup>$  CAD I/J, 311, "probably dry bitumen."

i 16	$[m\hat{e}(A)^{26} t]a$ -hab-bu-ma ana pān(IGI) kakkab enzi(MUL. $\dot{U}[Z]$ ) <sup>27</sup> $[tašakkan(GAR-an)$ $]$ $eqli(A.ŠA)^{28}$ $\stackrel{\text{SE}}{=}$ $[M]$		
i 17	$kukru(^{[\check{SEM}]}[G\check{U}]R.G\check{U}R)$ atā 'išu( $^{\check{U}}KUR.KUR$ ) $^{\check{U}}kur-ka-na[m]$		
	[ina] tangussi([URUDU]ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak [ x x x x ]		
i 18	[šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GI]G) ka-[bar-t]ì ša mê(A) rimki(TU5) ik-bu-		
	$u[s]$ $qadištu(\lceil^{MUNUS}\rceil NU.[G]IG)$ $m\hat{e}(A)$ $b\bar{u}rti(P\acute{U})$ $\lceil i \rceil$ - $\dot{h}ab$ -bu ana $libbi(\check{S}\grave{A})$		
	$m\hat{e}(A)$ šú-nu-ti x [ ]		
i 19	[ ] x tanaddi(ŠUB) ina kakkabi(UL) tuš-ba[t] ina [še]-rì kīma(GIM) Šamši (dUTU) napāḥi(KUR) tu-še-ri-da ana pān(IGI) Šamaši (dUTU)		
	$pat\bar{t}ra(\text{GI.D[U}_8])$ tukân(GUB-an) nignakka(NÍG.NA) burāši(ŠEMLI)		
	tašakkan(GAR-a[n])		
i 20	[šid-d]i kīma(GIM) šá bārî(LÚ.ḤAL) tašaddad(GÍD)-ma <sup>29</sup> ištēn(DIŠ)		
	laḥannu( <sup>DUG</sup> LA.ḤA.AN) mê(A) ištēn(DIŠ) laḥannu( <sup>DUG</sup> LA.ḤA.AN)		
	šikara(KAŠ) tumallā(DIR)-ma ina kakkabi(MÚL) $\lceil$ ina $\rceil$ paṭīra([G]I.DU <sub>8</sub> )		
	$tuk\hat{a}n(GUB-an)\ ka-a-am^{30}\ tu-\check{s}ad-bab-[\check{s}\acute{u}]$		
i 21	[ri]-im-ki īdû(ZU-ú) lā(NU) īdû(ZU-ú) ik-bu-us ina-an-na <sup>31</sup> ina pāni(IGI)-ka šikin(GAR-kín) e-ṭi ina simmi(GIG) ina zumri(SU)-ia		
i 22	bašu([GÁ]L-ú) li-su-uḥ em-qu mas-su-u mašmāš(MAŠ.MAŠ)		
	ilāni(DINGIR.MEŠ) <sup>d</sup> Asalluḥi (ASAL.LÚ.ḤI) 3-šú iqabbi(DU <sub>11</sub> .GA)-ma		
	mê(A.MEŠ) u šikara(KAŠ) iq-qi		
i 23	DIŠ KI.MIN <sup>Ú</sup> kám-ka-du kamantu( <sup>Ú</sup> ÁB.GAB) bīnu( <sup>GIŠ</sup> ŠINIG)		
	maštakal( <sup>Ú</sup> IN <sub>6</sub> .ÚŠ) <sup>32 Ú</sup> áp-ru-šá qān šalāli(GI.ŠUL.ḤI) erib		
	nāri(BURU <sub>5</sub> .ÍD.DA)		
i 24	tabbal(HÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina isqūqi(ZÌ.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina		
	tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) ina ḥimēti(Ì.NUN) u šikari(KAŠ) tara-bak ina		
	lubāri(TÚG) te-ṭer5-ri taṣammid(LAL)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Emendation based on similar context as in *AMT* 69, 2: 4 and parallel *KAR* 1991: 3. *agubbû*(<sup>DUG</sup>A.GÚB.BA)
<sup>27</sup> The constellation Lyra is meant here. MUL.ÙZ appears as a constellation, P. Felix Gössmann, *Planetarium Babylonicum*, Rome: 1950, ŠL Band 2, Teil 4, sub 145 MULUZA, 61.
<sup>28</sup> Probably the *kirbān eqli* was meant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> For an explanation of the instruction *šiddī tašaddad* see S. Maul *Zukunftsbewältigung*, Baghdader Forschungen 18, (Mainz: Verlag Philipp von Zabern, 1994) 55, n.144. He questions the meaning "curtain" offered in the dictionaries (AHw and CAD s.v. šadādu 1b). Clearly it denotes an item that serves to separate the ritual area of the altar from the larger rest.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Not spelled in the usual expected form, but see *KAR* 26, 43.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> A well-attested spelling of the plant name <sup>Ú</sup>IN.NU.UŠ.

i 16	You draw [water] (and) let it stand under the constellation Lyra (overnight),		
	kirbān eqli-plant,		
i 17	kukru, atā'išu, kurkānû [ ] you decoct in a tangussu-vessel [	]	
i 18	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , caused by stepping into wash water. A <i>qadištu</i> -woman draws water from a well (and) into this water		
i 19	[ ] x you put. You let it stand under the stars (overnight). In the morning at sunrise (as soon as the sun rises) you bring it down. You set up a <i>paṭīru</i> alt before <i>Šamaš</i> (and) you place a censer with juniper incense.	-	
i 20	You draw the curtain as that of the diviner. You fill a <i>laḫannu</i> bottle with water (and) a <i>laḥannu</i> bottle with beer. Under the stars you set up a <i>paṭīru</i> altar. Thus you have him (the patient) speak:		
i 21	Knowingly or unknowingly he stepped into wash (water). Now before you (i the dark appearance in the sore (that is) in my body	s)	
i 22	may the wise leader <i>Asalluhi</i> , the incantation priest of the gods, expel (it), he recites (the prayer) 3 times and he makes a libation of water and beer.	;	
i 23	If ditto: <sup>33</sup> you dry <i>kamkadu</i> , <i>kamantu</i> , tamarisk, <i>maštakal</i> , <i>aprušu</i> , <i>qān šalāli</i> , river locust,	,	
i 24	you crush (and) mix (it) in <i>isqūqu</i> -flour. You decoct (the mixture) in ghee an beer in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You spread <sup>34</sup> it on a piece of cloth and bandage (the affected part).		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> The "ditto" sign refers to the disease as mentioned in the above lines, i.e. *kabbartu*<sup>34</sup> *CAD* L, s.v. *lubāru* 230 tranlates references with *teterri* "you spread (the salve) on a piece of fabric." In *CAD* T s.v. *terû* A 103 "to extract, squeeze or press out liquid" and these references are translated as "you extract the liquid with cloths." The process of decoction produces a concentrate that can be spread on a piece cloth or leather easily, which would make sqeezing unnecessary.

i 25	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì ša barasigî(BÁRA.SI.GA) ik-bu-us ana pān(IGI) Šamši (dUTU) a-šar barasigî(BÁRA.SI.GA) na-du-u izzaz(GUB)-ma
i 26	e-ma parakki(BÁRA) šu-a-tu nignakka(NÍG.NA) burāši(ŠEMLI) išakkan(GAR-an) ar(PA) kirî(GIŠKIRI6) i-tab-bak 7 akalū(NINDA) rabûtu(GAL.GAL) 7 akalū(NINDA) ṣehrūtu(TUR.TUR) ina muḥḥi(UGU) ari(PA) kirî(GIŠKIRI6)
i 27	ana pān(IGI) Šamaši (dUTU) išakkan(GAR-an) ištēn(DIŠ) laḥannu(DUGLA.ḤA.AN) mê(A) ištēn(DIŠ) laḥannu(DUGLA.ḤA.AN) šikara(KAŠ) umallā(DIR)-ma ina lēt(TE) ari(PA) kirî(GIŠKIRI6) išakkan(GAR-a[n]) [t]ir-ṣa i-tar-ra-aṣ
i 28	ki-a-am tu-šad-bab-šú i-na īdû(ZU-ú) lā(NU) īdû(ZU-ú) parakku(BÁRA) šu- bat ilāni(DINGIR.MEŠ) rabûti(GAL.M[EŠ]) [ik-bu-us]
i 29	ina u4-mi an-ne-e a-šar lemuttum(HUL-tum) (lum-ni) <sup>35</sup> x x x-ma ana pān(IGI) Šamaši ( <sup>d</sup> UTU) lubluṭ(TI.LA) x [
i 30	DIŠ KI.MIN <sup>Ú</sup> ak-tam <sup>Ú</sup> bu-šá-nu burāšu( <sup>GIŠ</sup> LI) kukru( <sup>GIŠ</sup> G[ÚR.GÚR]) <sup>36</sup> suādu( <sup>ŠEM</sup> IM.DI) kupsu(DUḤ.ŠE.GIŠ.Ì) tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina isqūqi(ZÌ.KU[M]) [tuballal(ḤE.ḤE)] <sup>37</sup>
i 31	[ina] tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) ina ḥimēti(Ì.NUN) u šikari(KAŠ) tara-b[ak] ina lubāri(TÚG) te-<ṭer5-ri> pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) ḥimēta(Ì.NUN) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ.[MEŠ) taṣammid(LAL)]
i 32	[ ] x a zēr(NUMUN) <sup>Ú</sup> a-na-me-ri zēr(NUMUN) <sup>Ú</sup> pu-qut-ti aban suluppi(NA4 ZÚ.LUM.MA) aban(NA4) ḥa-ru-pi <sup>38</sup> aban(NA4) irrî(ÚKUŠ. 「LAGAB¬)
i 33	[ina tangussi(URUDUŠEN.TUR) ina himēti(Ì.NUN) u šikari(KAŠ) tara]-bak ši-in-ta ba-šil-ta ana libbi(ŠÀ) tašappak(DUB-ak) taṣammid(LAL)-ma šalaš(3) $u_4$ -mi $l\bar{a}(NU)$ tapaṭṭar(DU $_8$ )
i 34	[ ] x ellu(KÙ.GA) ik-bu-us ana pān(IGI) Ea(dDIŠ) 39 DINGIR MIN ina kišād(GÚ) nāri(ÍD) šammu(Ú) kirî(GIŠKIRI6) ta-tab-bak
i 35	[ ištēn(DIŠ) laḥannu( <sup>DUG</sup> L]A.ḤA.AN) mê(A) ištēn(DIŠ) laḥannu( <sup>DUG</sup> LA.ḤA.AN) šikara(KAŠ) tumallā(DIR)-ma ina lēt(TE) šammi(Ú) kirî( <sup>GIŠ</sup> KIRI <sub>6</sub> ) tašakkan(GAR-an) 4 akalū(NINDA) ina kìn-ṣi imitti(ZAG)-šú

<sup>35</sup> Under the sign HUL on the ruling, a faint *lum-ni* can be discerned.
36 The emendation is conjectural as *kukru* very often appears together with *burāšu*.
37 The emendation is based on context, similar to lines 41 and 42 below.
38 The stone of the *ḫarūbu* (*ḫarūpu*) the carob. (
39 Ea was meant and not Anu as the prayer in line 37 is addressed to Ea only. If a second deity were meant by the DINGIR MIN, the conjunction *u* would be expected. Was Enlil meant by DINGIR.MIN?

i 25	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , he has stepped on a <i>barasigû</i> -cultic socle, he stands before Šamaš, at the location of the <i>barasigu</i> .
i 26	Wherever this altar (is): he places a censer with juniper incense (and) piles up leaves from garden trees. Before Šamaš he places 7 big loaves of bread (and) 7 small loaves of bread upon the leaves
i 27	He fills one <i>laḥannu</i> -bottle of water (and) one <i>laḥannu</i> -bottle of beer and places (them) to the side of the leaves from the garden. He spreads out a <i>tirṣu</i> . 40
i 28	Thus you have him speak: knowingly or unknowingly, [I stepped] on the socle of the throne of the great gods.
i 29	On this day the place of evil [ ] before Šamaš may I recover. [ ]
i 30	If ditto: <i>aktam</i> , <i>bušānu</i> , juniper, <i>suādu</i> , <i>kupsu</i> you dry, you crush (and) [mix it] in <i>isqūqu</i> -flour.
i 31	You decoct (the mixture) in ghee and beer in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You spread it on a piece of cloth. You rub the sore with ghee (and) [you bandage] (the affected part).
i 32	[ ] seed of the <i>anameru</i> -plant, seed of the <i>puquttu</i> -plant, date stone, carob stone, <i>irrû</i> colocynth seed,
i 33	You decoct [(the mixture) in ghee and beer in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel]. You pour in it boiled <i>šintu</i> . You bandage. You do not untie it (the bandage) for 3 days.
i 34	[ ] he stepped on a pure [ ]. Before <i>Ea</i> (and) Enlil (?) you heap up garden plants at the bank of a river.
i 35	[ ] You fill one <i>lahannu</i> -bottle with water (and) one <i>lahannu</i> -bottle with beer and you place them to the side of the garden plants. You place 4 loaves on his right knee,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> CAD T s.v. tirșu 3. 428b translates "ritual preparation<sup>(?)</sup>" W. Farber, Lamaštu, offers two translations. In Lamaštu, Series I, (p. 73) line 24 tir-șa ta-tar-ra-aș trans. p. 147 "you arrange the layout (for the ritual). In Lamaštu Series III line 111 tirșa tatarraș(LÁ-aș) is translated (p.193) "You lay the table." Although the sentence tirșa tatarraș/itarraș in such contexts clearly denotes a ritual act, it probably denotes something rather more specific, as it appears at the beginning of the ritual or, as in this case, at the end. What sense would it make to add at the end of the ritual instructions "you spread out the presentation" when all the elements of the ritual are already laid out? Possibly a tirșu was some sort of cloth (?) covering that would be spread out on the altar before or after, as in this instance, covering the ritual elements.

i 36	[4 akalū(NINDA) ina kìn-și šumēli(GÙB)-šú 12] <sup>41</sup> akalū([NI]NDA) ina ki-șir am-mat imitti(ZAG)-šú 12 akalū(NINDA) ina ki-șir am-mat šumēli(GÙB)-šú tašakkan(GAR-an) kīma(GIM) sumuqan(dŠÁKKAN) tu-šar-ba-șu
i 37	[ki-a-am tušadbabšu(DU <sub>11</sub> .GA-šú] <sup>42</sup> É-a ana di-ni-ia qu-la-ni-ma ina di-ni-ku-nu mi-šá-ru-ta lul-lik
i 38	[ $e$ - $m$ ] $a$ $iqabbu(DU_{11}.GA$ - $u)$ $u$ $s$ - $k$ in $m$ $e$ ( $A$ ) $u$ $s$ $ikara(KAŠ) tanaqqi(BAL$ - $q$ $i)$ $n$ $ignakka(NÍG.NA) ina sum\bar{e}ii(GÙB)-sutanassi(ÍL) 7-su$
i 39	[ana ma-hir-ti 7-šú ana qid-da]-ti $^{43}$ ú-ṭa-ba-ma e-ma ú-ṭab-bu-u $^{d}$ É-a lip-šur iqabbi(DU $_{11}$ .GA)
i 40	DIŠ KI.MIN nīnû( <sup>Ú</sup> KUR.RA) x [ <sup>Ú</sup> a]k-tam lišān kalbi( <sup>Ú</sup> EME.UR.GI <sub>7</sub> ) supālu( <sup>Ú</sup> ZA.BA.LAM) maštakal( <sup>Ú</sup> IN <sub>6</sub> .ÚŠ) ar(PA) <sup>GIŠ</sup> šu-šum burāšu( <sup>ŠEM</sup> LI) kukru( <sup>ŠEM</sup> GÚR.GÚR)
i 41	$su\bar{a}du(^{[\S E]M}IM.DI)^{\lceil \acute{U}\rceil}[si-\acute{h}]a~\acute{U}ar-ga-nam~^{GI\mathring{S}}ba-ri-ra-t\acute{u}~kupsu(DU\.{H}. \check{S}E.GI\.{S}.\grave{I})$
i 42	tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina isqūqi(ZÌ.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) [ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ]ŠEN.TUR) ina ḥimēti(Ì.[NUN]) u šikari(KAŠ) tara-bak ina lubāri(TÚG) te-ṭer5-ri taṣammid(LAL-id)
i 43	[šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(G]IG) ka-bar-tì maruṣ(GI[G)-m]a ši-kìn šīrē(UZU.MEŠ)-šú pūṣa(BABBAR) ṣulma(MI) nadû(ŠUB-u) murṣu(GIG) šuātu(BI) māmītu(NAM.ÉRIM) Úkám-ka-du kamantu(ÚÁB.DU8)
i 44	[sikillu( <sup>Ú</sup> SIK]IL) šammi(Ú) Šamaš( <sup>d</sup> UTU) <sup>Ú</sup> úr-¬nu¬-u taḥaššal(GAZ) ina šikari(KAŠ) rēštî(SAG) ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak ina lubāri(TÚG) te-ṭer₅-ri tu-kaṣ-ṣa taṣammid(LAL-id)
i 45	[DIŠ KI.MI]N mišil(MAŠ) qî(SÌLA) burāšu(ŠEMLI) mišil(MAŠ) qî(SÌLA) kukru(ŠEMGÚR.GÚR) mišil(MAŠ) qî(SÌLA) saḥlû(ZÀ.ḤI.LI) mišil(MAŠ) qî(SÌLA) qēm(ZÌ) buqli(MUN[U4]) mišil(MAŠ) qî(SÌLA) qēm(ZÌ) hallūri(GÚ.GAL) mišil(MAŠ) qî(SÌLA) qēm(ZÌ) kakkî(GÚ.TUR)
i 46	[mišil(MAŠ) qî(SÌL]A) zēr(NUMUN) GIŠšu-ši mišil(MAŠ) qî(SÌLA) kupsi(DUḤ.ŠE.GIŠ.Ì) šamnu(rì.GIŠ) hīl(ILLU) balluhi(ŠEMBULUḤ) u šaman(Ì.GIŠ) suluppi(ZÚ.LUM) ta-pa-aš <sup>44</sup> šikara(KAŠ) ina tangussi(URUDUŠEN.TUR) tara-bak

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> The emendation is based on the context.
<sup>42</sup> The emendation is based on the context.
<sup>43</sup> For a very similar formulation, see S. Maul, *Zukunftsbewältigung*, 360: 71 f.
<sup>44</sup> *pâšu* see sub *pa'āṣu*, *CAD* P 1 "to cleave, to crush, to grind" also *tu-pa-áš* 

i 36	[You place 4 loaves on his right knee (and) 12] loaves on his right elbow, 12 loaves on his left elbow. You make him lie down like livestock.
i 37	[You have him recite as follows] May Ea listen to my case and let me obtain justice through your decision.
i 38	[ ] Whenever he speaks, he prostrates himself. He makes a libation of water and beer. You lift up a censer on his left side. 7 times
i 39	he submerges himself [facing upstream (and) 7 times facing downstream]. Whenever he submerges himself, he says, "May Ea absolve".
i 40	If ditto: you dry (and) crush $n\bar{n}\hat{u}$ , [ ], $aktam$ , 'dog's tongue'-plant, $sup\bar{a}lu$ , $ma\bar{s}takal$ , $\bar{s}u\bar{s}u$ -leaf, juniper, $kukru$ ,
i 41	$su\bar{a}du$ , $[s\bar{\imath}h]u$ wood, $argannu$ , $barir\bar{a}tu$ , $kupsu$ , (and) you mix (them) in $isq\bar{u}qu$ -flour.
i 42	You decoct (the mixture) in ghee and beer in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You spread it on a piece of cloth (and) you bandage (the affected part).
i 43	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and the appearance of his flesh is white dotted with black spots <sup>45</sup> , this disease is (caused by) the <i>māmītu</i> curse. You crush <i>kamkadu</i> , <i>kamantu</i> ,
i 44	[sikillu], sunflower, $\lceil urn\hat{u} \rceil$ . You decoct (the mixture) in first grade beer in a tangussu-vessel. You spread it on a piece of cloth, you cool it (and) you bandage (the affected part)
i 45	If ditto: ½ qû juniper, ½ qû kukru, ½ qû sahlû-cress, ½ qû buqlu-flour, ½ qû hallūru flour, ½ qû kakkû-lentil,
i 46	$\frac{1}{2}$ $q\hat{u}$ $s\bar{u}su$ -seeds, $\frac{1}{2}$ $q\hat{u}$ $supsu$ (linseed residue?), oil, $\frac{baluhhu}{a}$ -resin, and date oil, you chop and decoct (the mixture) in a $tangussu$ -vessel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> For this usage of *nadû*, see *CAD* N/I 90a. J. Scurlock and B. Andersen, *Diagnoses*, 79.

i 47	[b]a-aḥ-ru-us-su ina lubāri(TÚG) te-ṭ[er₅-ri] pān(IGI) šepē(GÌR <sup>?</sup> .MIN <sup>?</sup> .MEŠ)-šú u šer'an(SA) kišādi(GÚ)-šú taṣammid(LAL)-ma ūmu(UD) 3 KÁM lā(NU) tapaṭṭar(DU <sub>8</sub> )
i 48	[šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(N]A) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì maruṣ(GIG)-ma ši-kin šīrē(UZU [MEŠ)-šú pūṣa(BABBAR)] ṣulma(MI) nadû(ŠUB) murṣu(GIG) šū(BI) ir-te-ḥi ar(PA) lipāri(GIŠMI.PÀR) ar(PA) šallūri(GIŠENNUR) ar(PA)
	titti( <sup>GIŠ</sup> PÈŠ) ar(PA) hašḫūri( <sup>GIŠ</sup> ḪAŠḪUR)
B i 1	[ ].MEŠ-šú pūṣa(BABBAR) ṣulma(MI) nadû(ŠUB)
B i 2	[ ar(P]A) buşinni(GI.ZÚ.LUM.MA)
i 49	ar(PA) bīni(GIŠŠINIG) ar(PA) qān šalāli(GI ŠUL.ḤI) ar(PA) suḥušši(GIŠGIŠIMMAR.TUR) [ar(PA) buṣinni(GI.Z]Ú.LUM.MA) <sup>46</sup> ina (text:ana) mê(A) tanaddi(ŠUB) ina tinūri(IM.ŠU.RIN.NA) te-sek-kir šēpē(GÌR.MEŠ)-šú tara-haṣ-ma
B i 3	ar(PA) titti(GIŠPĖŠ) ar(PA) GIŠ x ar(PA) x[ ] x qan šalāli(GI.ŠUL.ḤI)
B i 4	ar(PA) lipāri(GIŠ <mi>.PAR7)<sup>47</sup> ina mê(A) tanaddi(ŠUB-di) ina</mi>
	tinūri(「NINDU <sup>¬</sup> ) tesekkir(ÚŠ) šēpā(GÌR.MIN)-šú tara-háṣ-ma <sup>48</sup>
i 50	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN $^{\circ}$ si-ḥa $^{GI\check{S}}$ ár-gan-na $^{GI\check{S}}$ ba-ri-[ra-tú] $^{\circ}$ kám-ka-da uḥūlu qarnānu (NAGA.SI) $^{\circ}$ a-zal-la-a
B i 5 / 6	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN <sup>GIŠ</sup> si-hu <sup>Ú</sup> ár-ga-nu <sup>Ú</sup> ba-ri-ra-tú <sup>Ú</sup> kám-ka-du / uḫūlu garnānu (NAGA.SI) <sup>Ú</sup> a-zal-la-a
i 51	ištēniš(DIŠ-niš) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina eper(SAḤAR) buqli(MUNU4) qēm(ZÌ)
	$\textit{buqli}(MUNU_4) \; \textit{tuballal}(\c HE.\c HE) \; \textit{ina} \; [\c \textit{sizbi}(GA) \; \textit{ina}] \; \textit{tangussi}(\c^SEN.TUR^{\c})$
B i 6	tara-bak [] taṣammid(LAL) ištēniš(DIŠ-niš) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina eper(SAḤAR) buqli(MUNU4) qēm(ZÌ) buqli(MUNU4) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE)
B i 7	ina šikari(KAŠ) ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) ina šizbi(GA) tara-bak ina lubāri(TÚG) teṭerri(SUR-ri) taṣammid(LAL-id)

 $<sup>^{46}</sup>$  GI.ZÚ.LUM.MA can be read bu sinnu (Ḥḫ III) and  $k\bar{u}ru$  (Ḥḫ VIII), see  $\it CAD$  K 572a.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Following F. Köcher's emendation after collation of tablet. It should be noted that, although the plants are seemingly identical, the sequence in the listing of the plants in Text A and B is not identical, which makes any emendation of the lacunae in Ms. B i 2-3 difficult. Both *lipāru*(<sup>GIS</sup>MI.PÀR) and *šallūru*(<sup>GIS</sup>ŠENNUR) appear in the list. The sign in Ms. B i 4 is <u>not <sup>GIS</sup>ŠENNUR</u> as read in J. Scurlock, *Sourcebook for Ancient Mesopotamian Medicine*, 444 and also in the transcription BabMed sub "Corpora". It is a clear PAR<sub>7</sub>. Evidently, therefore, the plant *lipāru* was intended here. Hence following F. Köcher's emendation the reading is <sup>GIS</sup><MI>.PAR<sub>7</sub>. (For the reading PÀR or PAR<sub>7</sub>, both associated with this plant name, see Borger, *Zeichenlexikon*, 398).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> Note that the order of the *materia medica* in the parallel text differs slightly.

i 47	While warm you spread (it) on a piece of cloth and you bandage his feet (?) and the vein of his neck. You do not untie it (the bandage) for 3 days.
i 48	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and the appearance of his flesh is white dotted with black spots, this disease has penetrated <sup>49</sup> (his flesh deeply). You throw (i.e. put) in water a leaf of a <i>lipāru</i> -tree, a leaf of a <i>šallūru</i> -tree, a leaf of a fig tree, a leaf of an apple tree,
i 49	a leaf of a tamarisk, a leaf of the <i>qān šalāli</i> -plant, a leaf of a young date palm, and a leaf of a <i>buṣinnu</i> -plant. You heat (the mixture) in an oven. You bathe his feet (with it).
B i 1-3	Broken context, but the order of the <i>materia medica</i> listed is different.
B i 4	A leaf of a <i>lipāru</i> -tree. You heat it in an oven. You bathe his feet (with it).
i 50	If ditto: sīḥu-wood, argannu, barirātu, kamkadu, horned alkali, (and) azallû
B i 5/6	If ditto: sīḥu-wood, argannu, barirātu, kamkadu, horned alkali, (and) azallû
i 51	you crush (them) together (and) mix (them) with malt-"dust" (and) malt-flour.
	You decoct (the mixture) in [milk in] a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. [
Bi6	you crush (them) together (and) mix (them) with malt-"dust" (and) malt-flour.
B i 7	You decoct (the mixture) in milk in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the feet).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> The fact that "it has penetrated" refers to the condition affecting the bone is obtained from Ms B ii 6-7 where we read adi(EN) esemti(GIR.PAD.DU) i[r-te-hi] "it <code>rpenetrates</code>" as far as the bone."

i 52	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì maruṣ(GIG)-ma eq-ba-a-šú nuppuḫu(MÚ.MÚ) šer 'an(SA.MEŠ) šēpā(GÌR.MIN)-šú kab-ba-ru-ma i-tal-lu-ka
B i 8 / 9	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-ti maruṣ(GIG) eq-ba-šu nuppuḫu(MÚ.MÚ-ḫu) šer'an(SA) šēpā(GÌR.MIN)-šú / kab-ba-ru-ma i-tal-lu- ka
i 53	la i-le-'i ana bulluṭi(TI)-šú gaṣṣu(IM.BABBAR) sahlû(ZÀ.ḤI.LI) uḫūlu qarnānu (NAGA.SI) pu-ut-ri tasâk(SÚD) ina šizbi(GA)
B i 9 / 10	la i-le-'i gaṣṣu(IM.[BAB]AR) \(\sigma sah-li\)\(\righta - e \) \(u\hat{n}\bar{u}\lu qarn\bar{a}nu\)\((NAGA.SI)\(pu-ut-ri\)\\\\\\ tas\hat{ak}(S\UD)\(ina\)\(izbi)\(ina\)\(i
i 54	ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak ba-aḥ-ru-us-su ina lubāri(TÚG) te-<ṭe-ri> taṣammid(LAL) 3 u4-mi lā(NU) tapaṭṭar(DU8)
B i 10	$ina\ tangussi([^{URUDU}\check{S}EN.^{T}UR^{7})[$ -s]u
B i 11	ina lubāri(TÚG) te-<țe-ri> taṣammid(LAL) [uninscribed portion] UD.3.KAM $l\bar{a}([NU])$ tapaṭṭar(DU <sub>8</sub> )
i 55	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì maruṣ(GIG)-ma šer 'an(SA) eq-bi-šú ṭīda(IM) ma-lu-ú ana šu-ṣi-e burāšu(ŠEMLI) kukru(ŠEMGÚR.GÚR) gaṣṣu(IM.BABBAR)
B i 12 / 13	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-ti maruṣ([GIG])-ma šer'an(SA) eqbi(MUD)-šu ṭīda(IM) malû(DIR-ú) / ana šu-ṣi-i burāšu([ŠEML]I) kukru(ŠEMGÚR.GÚR) gaṣṣu(IM.BABBAR)
i 56	kasû(GAZI.SAR) ḥašû( <sup>Ú</sup> ḤAR.ḤAR) qalītu(ŠE.SA.A) tasâk(SÚD) ina isqūqi(ZÌ.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina šikari(KAŠ) ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak ina lubāri(TÚG) te-<țe-ri>taṣammid(LAL)-ma ṭīda(IM) uṣṣa(È-a) <sup>50</sup>
B i 13	kasû(GAZI.SAR) hašû( <sup>Û</sup> HAR.HAR) qalītu(ŠE.SA.A)
B i 14	ina $m\hat{e}(A)$ tas $\hat{a}k(S\acute{U}D)$ [ KU]M tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina šikari(KAŠ) ina tangussi( $^{URUDU}$ ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak ina lubāri(TÚG) te-<țe-ri> taṣammid(LAL-id)-ma ṭīdu(IM) uṣṣa(È-a)
i 57	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì maruṣ(GIG)-ma šēpē(GÌR.MEŠ)-šú dāma(ÚŠ) malâ(DIR) mašak(KUŠ) nurmî(GIŠNU.ÚR.MA)
B i 15	[šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GI]G) ka-bar-ti maruṣ(GIG)-ma šēpā(GÌR.MIN)-šú dāma(ÚŠ) mali(DIR) maška(KUŠ) <sup>GIŠ</sup> nu-úr-ma-a

The present tense of waşûm in Middle and Neo-Assyrian is conjugated with -a, uṣṣa. GAG 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Edition, § 106 m, 189.

i 52	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and his heels are swollen, the tendons of his feet are thick and
B i 8/9	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and his heels are swollen, the tendons of his feet are thick and
i 53	he cannot walk around (by himself). In order to treat him: you pound gypsum, $sahl\hat{u}$ -cress, $uh\bar{u}lu$ $qarn\bar{a}nu$ , (and) dung.
B i 9/10	he cannot walk around (by himself). In order to treat him: you pound gypsum, $sahl\hat{u}$ -cress, $uh\bar{u}lu$ $qarn\bar{a}nu$ , (and) dung
i 54	You decoct (the mixture) in milk in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. While warm you spread (it) on a piece of cloth. You bandage (the feet). You do not untie it (the bandage) for 3 days.
B i 10/11	You decoct (the mixture) in milk in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the feet). [uninscribed portion] You do not untie it (the bandage) for 3 days.
i 55	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and (he feels as if) the tendon of his heel is full of clay: In order to make (it) go out (to remove it), you pound juniper, <i>kukru</i> , gypsum,
B i 12/13	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and (he feels as if) the tendon of his heel is full of clay. In order to make (it) go out (to remove it): you pound juniper, <i>kukru</i> , gypsum,
i 56	kasû, ḥašû, roasted grain, you mix (them) with isqūqu-flour. You decoct (the mixture) in beer in a tangussu-vessel. You bandage (the foot) and the "clay" will go out.
B i 13	kasû, hašû, roasted grain
B i 14	in water. [You mix with <i>isqūqu</i> -flour]. You decoct (the mixture) in beer in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the foot) and the "clay" will go out.
i 57	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and his feet are full of blood: you pound the skin of a pomegranate, (and)
B i 15	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and his feet are full of blood: you pound the skin of a pomegranate, (and)

i 58	piqqan(A.GAR.GAR) ṣabīti(MAŠ.DÀ) tasâk(SÚD) ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL-id)
B i 16	[piqqan(A.GAR].GAR) ṣabīti(MAŠ.DA) ina mê(A.MEŠ) kasî(GAZI.SAR) <ina> tangussi(ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL-id)</ina>
i 59	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì maruṣ(GIG)-ma ar(PA) irrî(ÚKUŠ.LAGAB) lipî(Ì.UDU) irrî(ÚKUŠ.LAGAB)-ma ta-sàk
B i 17 / 18	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-ti maruṣ(GIG) ar(PA) irrî(ÚKUŠ.LAGAB) lipî (Ì.UDU) irrî(ÚKUŠ.LAGAB)-ma / tasâk(SÚD)
i 60	[ina isqūqi(Z]Ì.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina šikari(KAŠ) [ ] ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL-id)
B i 18	ina isqūqi(ZÌ.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina šikari(KAŠ) ina tangussi( <urudu>ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL-id)</urudu>
i 61	[ <sup>Ú</sup> si-ḫu] <sup>Ú</sup> a[r-ga-nu ka-man-du lišān kalbi( <sup>Ú</sup> EME.UR.G]I <sub>7</sub> ) šammi(Ú) šamaš( <sup>d</sup> UTU) tasâk(SÚD) ina lipî(Ì.UDU) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE)
B i 19 / 20	<sup>Ú</sup> si-ḫu <sup>Ú</sup> ar-ga-nu ka-man-du lišān kalbi( <sup>Ú</sup> EME.UR.GI <sub>7</sub> ) šammi(Ú) šamaš( <sup>d</sup> UTU) tasâk(SÚD) / ina lipî(Ì.UDU) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE)
i 62	[ siri(UZU)]-šú iṭâb(DÙG.GA) taṣṣanammid(LAL.LAL) <sup>51</sup>
B i 20	taṣammid(LAL)-ma ištat ūmu(UD 1.KÁM) lā(NU) tapaṭṭar(DU <sub>8</sub> ) kīma(GIM) širi(UZU)-šu i-ṭà-bu taṣammid(LÁL-id)
i 63	[šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì] maruṣ(GIG)-ma kukru( <sup>ŠEM</sup> GÚR.GÚR) burāšu( <sup>ŠEM</sup> LI) tasâk(SÚD) ina nāḫi(Ì.ŠAḤ!) qēm(ZÌ) buqli(MUNU4) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina šikari(KAŠ) ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL-id)
B i 21	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN kukru( <sup>ŠEM</sup> GÚR.GÚR) burāšu( <sup>ŠEM</sup> LI) tasâk(SÚD) ina nāḥi(Ì.ŠAḤ¹) qēm(ZÌ) buqli(MUNU4) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina šikari(KAŠ) ina tangussi( <sup><urudu></urudu></sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)
i 64	šumma(DIŠ) K[I.MIN azallû( <sup>Ú</sup> A.ZAL.LÁ) tabbal(HÁD.DU)] taḥaššal(GAZ) ina isqūqi(ZÌ.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL) UD.1.KÁM lā(NU) tapaṭṭar(DU <sub>8</sub> )

<sup>51</sup> It is interesting to note that in this instance the Gtn-stem is required, as the sign is not a LÁL, but clearly LAL.LAL.

i 58 B i 16	gazelle dung. You decoct (the mixture) in <i>kasû</i> juice in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the feet). gazelle [dung]. You decoct (the mixture) in <i>kasû</i> juice in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the feet).	
i 59	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , you pound the leaf of the <i>irrû</i> plant (and) fat of the <i>irrû</i> plant (and)	
B i 17/18	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , you pound the leaf of the <i>irrû</i> plant (and) fat of the <i>irrû</i> plant (and)	
i 60	mix (them) with <i>isqūqu</i> -flour. You decoct (the mixture) in beer in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the foot).	
B i 18	mix (them) with <i>isqūqu</i> -flour. You decoct (the mixture) in beer in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the foot).	
i 61	You pound [sīḥu-wood, argannu, kamantu, 'dog's tongue'-plant], and sunflower. You mix (it) in fat.	
B i 19/20	You pound <i>sīḥu</i> -wood, <i>argannu</i> , <i>kamantu</i> , 'dog's tongue'-plant, and sunflower. You mix (it) in fat.	
i 62	You repeatedly bandage (the foot)[ ] becomes well (i.e. heals).	
B i 20	You bandage (the foot) and you do not untie (the bandage) for 1 day. You bandage (the foot) until the flesh becomes well (i.e. heals). <sup>52</sup>	
i 63	[If a man] is sick [with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> ], you pound <i>kukru</i> , (and) juniper (and) mix it with pork fat (and) malt flour. You decoct (the mixture) in beer in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the foot).	
B i 21	If ditto: you pound <i>kukru</i> , (and) juniper (and) mix it with pork fat (and) malt flour. You decoct (the mixture) in beer in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the foot).	
i 64	If [ditto: You dry (and)] crush <i>azallû</i> (and) mix (it) in <i>isqūqu</i> -flour. You decoct (the mixture) in <i>kasû</i> -juice in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the foot), and you do not untie (the bandage) for 1 day.	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> This is the expected meaning in this context, but I am not aware of the meaning "until" for  $k\bar{l}ma$ .

B i 22	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN azallû( <sup>Ú</sup> A.ZAL.LÁ) tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ)
B i 23	ina isqūqi(ZÌ.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina mê(A.MEŠ) kasî(GAZI.SAR) ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL) UD.1.KAM lā(NU) tapaṭṭar(DUH)
i 65	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN [šakirû( <sup>Ú</sup> ſŠAKIR¹) tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ)
	ina] eper(SAḤAR) buqli(MUNU4) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) kīma(GIM) rabīki(KAM.ZÌ.DA) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL):
B i 24	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN šakirû( <sup>Ú</sup> rŠAKIR¬) tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina
	eper(SAḤAR) buqli(MUNU4) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) kīma(GIM) rabīki(KAM.ZÌ.DA) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)
i 65a	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN surdû(SÚR.DÙ <sup>MUŠEN</sup> ) <sup>53</sup> tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ)
	ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taşammid(LAL)
B i 25	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN qaqqad(SAG.DU!) nūni(KU6) tabbal(ḤÁD.DU)
	taḥaššal(GAZ) ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)
i 66	$\check{s}umma(DI\check{S})\; am\bar{e}lu(NA)\; murus(GIG)\; [ka-bar-ti\; marus(GIG)-ma]\; [\check{s}i-kin]\;$
	šīri(UZU)-šú e-šu-ú <sup>Ú</sup> kám-ka-du
B i 26	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-ti maruṣ(GIG)-ma ši-kìn simmi(GIG) e-šu-ú <sup>Ú</sup> kám-ka-du
i 67	$\check{sep}(\hat{U}G\hat{R})$ $\bar{a}ribi(UG[A^{MU\check{S}EN})$ $\hat{U}$ $tu$ - $lal$ $tabbal([H\acute{A}]D.DU)$
	taḥaššal(GAZ) rabīki(KAM.ZÌ.DA) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)
B i 27	[ ] āribi(UGA <sup>MUŠEN</sup> ) <sup>Ú</sup> tu-lal tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ)
	kīma(GIM) ra-bi-ki tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)
i 68	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-t[ì šàg]-
	gu-ma ar(PA) <sup>GIŠ</sup> šu-ši arqu(SIG7) [ <sup>Ú</sup> si]-ḫa <sup>Ú</sup> ar-ga-nu

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>53</sup> Interestingly the compiler of K.67+ who more than likely knew the Aššur parallel (Ms. B), had probably noticed the discrepancy in Ms. B, i 25 and ii 43 which read SAG.DÙ KU<sub>6</sub>. If the scribe of Ms. B meant to say the head of a fish, then the DÙ is a mistake for DU. If, however, he meant the falcon, then he incorrectly wrote a SAG for the SÚR and added the wrong determinative ( $KU_6$  for MUŠEN). The scribe of K.67+ wanted to draw attention to this discrepancy by inserting under his correct SÚR.DŮ<sup>MUŠEN</sup> what only survive as traces of the error he found in Ms. B i 25, (the 'DÙ KU<sub>6</sub>7), possibly in an attempt to cover himself. The assumption that the scribe of Ms. B wrote SAG in error for SÚR which would give the translation "falcon-fish" would seem unlikely, as a "falcon-fish" does not appear in the Fish Catalogue (A. Salonen, Die Fischerei im alten Mesopotamien nach Sumerisch-Akkadischen Quellen, 142-238), whereas a summatu-fish "dove-fish" is attested.

B i 22	If ditto: You dry (and) crush azallû (and) mix (it) in isqūqu-flour
B i 23	You decoct (the mixture) in kasû-juice in a tangussu-vessel. You bandage (the
	foot), and you do not untie (the bandage) for 1 day.
i 65	If ditto: You dry (and) crush [šakirû] (and) mix (it) with malt-"dust". You
	decoct (the mixture) like a mash. You bandage (the foot).
B i 24	If ditto: You dry (and) crush [šakirû] (and) mix (it) with malt-"dust". You
	decoct (the mixture) like a mash. You bandage (the foot).
i 65a	If ditto: You dry (and) crush a falcon. You decoct (it) in kasû-juice. You
	bandage (the foot).
B i 25	If ditto: You dry (and) crush the head of a fish. You decoct (it) in kasû-juice.
	You bandage (the foot).
i 66	If a man is sick [with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and] the appearance of his flesh is confusing <sup>54</sup> you dry and crush <i>kamkādu</i> ,
B i 26	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and the appearance of his flesh is confusing you dry and crush <i>kamkādu</i> ,
i 67	crowfoot-plant, (and) [tullal]. You make a decoction like a mash. You bandage (the foot).
B i 27	crow[foot-plant], (and) <i>tullal</i> . You make a decoction like a mash. You bandage (the foot).
i 68	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and [the muscles of his feet are stiff], you pound fresh leaf of $\tilde{s}u\tilde{s}u$ -plant, $s\bar{t}hu$ -wood, $argannu$ ,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> The parallel Ms B i 26: the appearance of the sore is unclear, probably referring to the fact that the physician was unable to identify the kind of sore. JoAnn Scurlock, *Sourcebook for Ancient Mesopotamian Medicine*, 450 translates "the appearance of the sore is confused."

B i 28 / 29	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-ti maruṣ(GIG)-ma šer ʾan(SA) šēpā(GÌR.MIN)-šú šàg-gu <sup>Ú</sup> si-ḫu <sup>! Ú</sup> ar-ga-nu	
i 69	<sup>GIŠ</sup> ba-ri-ra-tú ta-sàk x[	kasî(GAZI].SAR)
	tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)-ma UD.1.KÁM lā(NU) tapaṭṭar	$r(\mathrm{DU_8})$
B i 29	<sup>Ú</sup> ba-ri-ra-tú ar(PA) <sup>GIŠ</sup> šu-še arqu(SIG7) tasâk(SÚD)	
B i 30	ina isqūqi(ZÌ.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina mê(A.MEŠ) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-	
	bak taṣammid(LAL-id)-ma UD.1.KÁM lā(NU) tapaṭṭar(I	$(DU_8)^{55}$
i 70	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì maruṣ(GI i-le-'i lišān kalbi( <sup>Ú</sup> EME.UR.GI <sub>7</sub> ) ar(PA) <sup>GIŠ</sup> bi-ni	G) a-tál-l[u-ka la]
B i 31 / 32	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) 「ka¬-bar-ti <maruṣ(< td=""><td>GIG)-ma&gt; a-tál-lu-</td></maruṣ(<>	GIG)-ma> a-tál-lu-
i 71 B i 32	ka la i-le-'i lišān kalbi( <sup>Ú</sup> EME.UR.GI <sub>7</sub> ) / ar(P[A]) bīni ([GIŠŠ]INIG) tabbal(ḤÁD.A) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina qēm(ZÌ) buqli(MUNU <sub>6</sub> ) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL) tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina qēm(ZÌ) buqli(MUNU <sub>6</sub> ) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE)	
	ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taşammid(LAL-id)	

#### Col. ii

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ii 34	šumma(DIŠ) K[I.MIN	
ii 35	šumma(DIŠ) K[I.MIN	
ii 36	šumma(DIŠ) [KI.MIN ]	
ii 37	[ ] tabbal (ḤÁD.DU) [	
ii 38	[ errî(ÚKU]Š.LAGAB) tabbal(ḤÁD.DU)	
	taḫaššal(GAZ) [	
B ii 26	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ar(PA) errî(ÚÚKUŠ.[LAGAB]) taḥaššal(GAZ) pān(IGI)	
	simmi(GIG) it-tu-「šú¬ tapaššaš(EŠ) tazarru(MAR-rù)	
ii 39	[ ] išqillat nāri(NA4PEŠ4 ÍD.DA) taḥaššal(GAZ) pān(IGI)	
B ii 27	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN išqillat nāri(NA4PEŠ4 Í[D.DA)] taḥaššal(GAZ) pān(IGI)	
	simmi(GIG) še-šen <sup>56</sup> tapaššaš(EŠ) tazarru([MA]R-rù) taṣammid(LAL)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> The parallel text Ms. B has a slightly different listing of *materia medica*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> What exactly is meant by *še-šen* is unclear. It is possible that it was meant to be used in the application of the crushed river pebble on the sore. Probably from *šišnu* "a rush," *CAD* Š/III, 126 s.v. *šišnu*. In Ms. B the determinative Ú is not written. J. Scurlock, *Sourcebook for Ancient Mesopotamian Medicine*, 452 translates "a palm frond(?)."

B i 28/29	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> and the muscles of his feet are stiff, you pound <i>sīḥu</i> -wood, <i>argannu</i> ,	
i 69	barirātu [ ] (and) decoct (the mixture) in kasû-juice. You	
B i 29	bandage (the feet) and you do not untie (the bandage) for 1 day. barirātu, fresh leaf of šūšu-plant	
B i 30	You mix (them) in <i>isqūqu</i> -flour (and) decoct (the mixture) in <i>kasû</i> -juice. You	
	bandage (the feet) and you do not untie (the bandage) for 1 day	
i 70	If a man is sick with the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> (and) he cannot walk around (by himself): you dry and crush 'dog's tongue'-plant, (and) leaf of a tamarisk (and)	
i 71	mix (them) in <i>buqlu</i> -flour. You decoct (the mixture) in <i>kasû</i> -juice. You bandage (the feet).	
B i 31/32		

# Col. ii

ii 34	If ditto: [
ii 35	if ditto: [
ii 36	If ditto: [
ii 37	[ ] you dry [ ]
ii 38	[ ] you dry (and) crush <i>irrû</i> -plant [ ]
B ii 26	If ditto: you crush leaf of the <i>irrû</i> -plant (and) rub the surface of the sore with it and you sprinkle it (on it).
ii 39	[ ] you crush river-pebble, upon [ ]
B ii 27	If ditto: you crush river-pebble and rub the surface of the sore with a šišnu and
	you sprinkle it (on it) and you bandage it.

ii 40 B ii 28 ii 41	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN <sup>Ú</sup> si-ḫu <sup>Ú</sup> ár-zal-lá zēr([NUMUN]) <sup>Ú</sup> áp-r[u-šá] j šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN <sup>GIŠ</sup> si-ḫa [ <sup>Ú</sup> á]p-ru-šá šammi <sup>d</sup> Šamaš(Ú. <sup>d</sup> UTU) taḥaššal(GAZ) i[na] ḫimēti([Ì.N]UN) tapaššaš(EŠ) tazarru (MAR) šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN karān šēlebi( <sup>Ú</sup> GEŠTIN.KA <sub>5</sub> .A) <sup>Ú</sup> tu-lal taḥaššal(GAZ) ina šur-šum-m[e] šikari(K[AŠ)
B ii 29	$\check{s}umma(DI\check{S})~KI.MIN~kar\bar{a}n~\check{s}\bar{e}lebi(^{\check{\Gamma}^{\check{U}}}[GE\check{S}TIN.KA_5.A)]~^{\check{U}}tu-lal$
	taḥaššal(GAZ) ina šur-šum-me šikari(KAŠ) ḥimēti(Ì.[NU]N) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ)
ii 42	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN aban suluppi(NA4 ZÚ.LUM.MA) ta-sàk nāḫa(Ì.ŠAḤ) tapaššaš(Š[ÉŠ) tazarru(MA]R)
B ii 30	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN aban šuluppi(NA4 ZÚ.L[UM.M]A) tasâk(SÚD) ina nāḥi(Ì.ŠAḤ) tapaššaš(EŠ-aš) tazarru(MAR-rù)
ii 43	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN <sup>Ú</sup> pi4-zal-lu-ur-tu ta-sàk šamna(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) [tazarru(M]AR)
B ii 31	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN <sup>Ú</sup> pi4-zal-lu-ur-ta tasâk(SÚD) ina šamni(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššaš(EŠ-aš) tazarru(MAR-rù)
ii 44	$\check{s}umma(DI\check{S})$ KI.MIN ${}^{\acute{U}}a$ -zal-la-a sikillu( ${}^{\acute{U}}SIKIL$ ) taḫaššal(GAZ)
	napṭa(「̹.KUR) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) [tazarru(MA]R)
B ii 32	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN <sup>Ú</sup> a-zal-la-a sikillu( <sup>Ú</sup> SIKIL) taḫaššal(GAZ)
	napṭa(「̹.KUR) tapaššaš(EŠ-[aš]) tazarru(MAR-rù)
ii 45	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN qilip(BAR) <sup>GIŠ</sup> nurmî(NU.ÚR.MA) tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) šaman(Ì) nūni(KU <sub>6</sub> ) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) [tazarru(MA]R)
В іі 33	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ar(PA) <sup>GIŠ</sup> nurmî(NU.ÚR.MA) tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) šaman(Ì.GIŠ) nūni(KU <sub>6</sub> ) tapaššaš(E[Š-aš]) tazarru(MAR-rù)
ii 46	šumma(DIŠ) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì ma-gal <sup>57</sup> māmītu(NAM.ÉRIM)
D '' 0 4	iṣbassu(DAB-su) i-pa-šiḥ ana arkât(EGIR) ūmē(U₄-me) imât(¬BA¬.ÚŠ)
B ii 34	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu([N]A) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-ti ma-gal māmītu(NAM.ÉRI[M]) iṣbassu([DA]B-su) i-pa-áš-še-eḫ <sup>58</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> It is interesting to note that both texts in this instance use a verbless clause ending with an adverb. This is not a usual occurrence in medical texts. For a discussion of this grammatical feature, see J. Huehnergard, "On Verbless Clauses in Akkadian," ZA 76 (1986) 230 ff. A stative maruṣ(GIG) would be expected to end the clause, as there are a number of references from omen texts, for example, in which the adverb magal appears followed by the stative form of the verb which would justify the emendation of maruṣ in the present context, hence, magal <maruṣ(GIG)> "greatly suffers". Here the worsening of the condition is being addressed which is attributed to the seizure of the curse, the causing agent. The proposed translation "If a person (has) muruṣ kabbarti (and) the curse greatly afflicts him…" is problematic, as in such an instance the adverb magal would have appeared before the verb iṣbassu (has seized him). J. Scurlock, Sourcebook for Ancient Mesopotamian Medicine, 452.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> Very faint traces of the prognosis ana  $ark\hat{a}t(EGIR)$   $\bar{u}m\bar{e}(U_4$ -me)  $im\hat{a}t(\Gamma BA^{\gamma}.\acute{U}\check{S})$ .can be discerned.

ii 40	If ditto: <i>sīḫu</i> -wood, <i>azallû</i> , seeds of <i>apruša</i> -plant [
B ii 28	If ditto: you crush sīḥu-wood, [azallû], seeds of apruša-plant, sunflower. You
	rub (the sore) with ghee and sprinkle (them on it).
ii 41	If ditto: you crush fox-grape (and) tullal-plant. (You mix them) in beer dregs
B ii 29	If ditto: you crush fox-grape (and) tullal-plant. (You mix them) in beer dregs
	and ghee and rub (the sore) [You sprinkle it (on it)].
ii 42	If ditto: you pound a date stone. You rub (the sore) with lard. You sprinkle it
	(on it).
B ii 30	If ditto: you pound a date stone. You rub (the sore) with lard. You sprinkle it
	(on it).
ii 43	If ditto: you pound pizallurtu-plant. You rub (the sore) with oil. You sprinkle it
	(on it).
B ii 31	If ditto: you pound <i>pizallurtu</i> -plant. You rub (the sore) with oil. You sprinkle it
	(on it).
ii 44	If ditto: you crush azallû, (and) sikillu. You rub (the sore) with naphtha. You
	sprinkle (them on it).
B ii 32	If ditto: you crush azallû, (and) sikillu. You rub (the sore) with naphtha. You
	sprinkle (them on it).
ii 45	If ditto: you char pomegranate skin (and) pound it. You rub (the sore) with fish
	oil. You sprinkle (it on it).
B ii 33	If ditto: you char pomegranate leaf (and) pound it. You rub (the sore) with fish
	oil. You sprinkle (it on it).
ii 46	If a man greatly (suffers from) the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , the curse has
11 40	seized him. He will recover, (but) afterwards will die.
B ii 34	If a man greatly (suffers from) the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , the curse has
D II JT	seized him. He will recover, [(but) afterwards will die].
	seizea iiiii. He wiii feedver, [(out) utterwards wiii die].

ii 47 B ii 35	šumma(DIŠ) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì ru-ṭib-ta ib-ta-ni imât(BA.ÚŠ) šumma(DIŠ) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-ti ru-šum-tú ib-ta-ni imât(BA.ÚŠ)
ii 48	šumma(DIŠ) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì piqannu(A.GAR.GAR) arqu(SIG <sub>7</sub> ) ina šīnāti(KÀŠ) ru-uš-še-te ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) ina isqūqi(ZÌ.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) taṣammid(LAL)
B ii 36	šumma(DIŠ) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-ti piqannu(A.GAR.GAR) arqu(SIG7) ina šīnāti(KÀŠ) ru-uš-še-ti ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR)
B ii 37	ina isq $\bar{u}$ qi(ZÌ.KUM) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) taṣammid(LAL-i[d])
ii 49	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN <sup>Ú</sup> úr-né-e <sup>GIŠ</sup> si-ḫa <sup>GIŠ</sup> ar-ga-na <sup>Ú</sup> ba-ri-ra-tú qēm(ZÌ) errî(ÚKUŠ.LAGAB)
ii 50	ina ḥimēti(Ì.NUN) nāḥi(Ì.ŠAḤ) ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> ŠEN.TUR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)
B ii 38	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN <sup>Ú</sup> úr-né-e <sup>GIŠ</sup> si-ḫa <sup>Ú</sup> ar-ga-nu barīrātu( <sup>GIŠ</sup> LUM.[ḪA])
B ii 39	qēm(ZÌ) errî( <sup>Ú</sup> ÚKUŠ.LAGAB) ina ḫimēti(Ì.NUN) nāḫi(Ì.ŠAḤ) ina tangussi( <sup>URUDU</sup> Š[EN].TUR) tara-bak [taṣammid(LAL)]
ii 51	šumma(DIŠ) muruṣ(GIG) ka-bar-tì <sup>Ú</sup> i-ši-in eqli(A.ŠÀ) tur-ár ana pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) tanaddi(ŠUB)
B ii 40	$\check{s}umma(DI\check{S})$ $murus(GIG)$ $MIN^{\dot{U}}i-\check{s}i-in$ $eqli(A.\check{S}\grave{A})$ $tur-\acute{a}r$ $ana$ $p\bar{a}n(IGI)$ $tanaddi(\check{S}UB-[di])$
ii 52	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ar(PA) <sup>GIŠ</sup> šu-še tasâk(SÚD) ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB):
B ii 41	šumma(DIŠ) <ki.min> ar(PA) <sup>GIŠ</sup>šu-ši tasâk(SÚD) ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB-d[i])</ki.min>
ii 52a	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN haṣab(ŠIKA) nurmî(GIŠNU.ÚR.MA) ta-qal-lu ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)
B ii 42	šumma(DIŠ) <ki.min> ḫaṣab(ŠIKA) nurmî(GIŠNU.ÚR.MA) ta-qal-lu ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB-di)</ki.min>
ii 53	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN surdû(SÚR.DÙ <sup>MUŠEN</sup> ) ta-qal-lu ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB):
B ii 43	šumma(DIŠ) <ki.min> qaqqad(SAG.DU¹) nūni(KU6) ta-qal-lu ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB-di)</ki.min>

ii 47	If the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> has produced a <i>ruṭibtu</i> -moistness, he will die.
B ii 35	If the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> has produced a <i>rušumtu</i> , he will die.
ii 48	If (he has) the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , you mix yellow-green dung in red urine in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel with <i>isqūqu</i> -flour. You bandage (the foot).
B ii 36	If (he has) the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , you mix yellow-green dung in red urine in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel with <i>isqūqu</i> -flour. You bandage (the foot).
ii 49	If ditto: you decoct <i>urnû</i> , <i>sīḫu</i> -wood, <i>argannu</i> , <i>barirātu</i> , <i>irrû</i> -flour,
ii 50	in ghee and lard in a tangussu-vessel. You bandage (the foot)
B ii 38	If ditto: you decoct urnû, sīḥu-wood, argannu, barirātu, irrû-flour,
B ii 39	in ghee and lard in a tangussu-vessel. [You bandage (the foot)].
ii 51	If (he has) the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , you char field stalk (and) you apply it on the surface of the sore.
B ii 40	If (he has) the sickness of the <i>kabbartu</i> , you char field stalk (and) you apply it on the surface of the sore.
ii 52	If ditto: you pound the leaf of $\bar{s}\bar{u}\bar{s}u$ -plant (and) you apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).
B ii 41	If [ditto]: you pound the leaf of $\tilde{s}\tilde{u}\tilde{s}u$ -plant (and) you apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).
ii 52a	If ditto: you roast pomegranate skin (and) you apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).
B ii 42	If [ditto]: you roast pomegranate skin (and) you apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).
ii 53	If ditto: you roast a falcon (and) you apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).
B ii 43	If [ditto]: you roast the head of a fish (and) you apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).

ii 53a	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ar(PA) buşinni(GI.ZÚ.LUM.MA) ta-sal-laq ana pān(IGI) tu-tab-bak
B ii 44	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ar(PA) buṣinni(GI.ZÚ.LUM.MA) ta-sal-laq ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB-di)
ii 54	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ar(PA) buşinni(GI.ZÚ.LUM.MA) ar(PA) <sup>Ú</sup> úr-zi-in-ni ta-sal-laq ana pān(IGI) tu-tab-bak
B ii 45	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ar(PA) buşinni(GI.ZÚ.LUM.MA) ar(PA) <sup>GIŠ</sup> úr-zi-ni KI.MIN
ii 55	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ar(PA) uzun lalê( <sup>Ú</sup> ÚR.TÁL.TÁL) ta-sal-laq ana pān(IGI) tu-tab-bak
B ii 46	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN uzun lalê(ÚUR.TÁL.TÁL) ta-sal-laq ana pān(IGI) ta-tab-bak
ii 56	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) kap-pal-ta-šú <sup>59</sup> maruṣ(GIG) qaqqad(SAG.DU) ṣurāri(EME.DIR) tur-ár ta-sàk ana pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) tazarru(MAR)
B ii 47	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) ka-pal-ta-šu maruş(GIG) qaqqad(SAG.DU) şurāri(EME.DIR) tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) ana pān(IGI) tazarru(MAR.MEŠ)
ii 57	haṣab(ŠIKA) nurmî(GIŠNU.ÚR.MA) ta-sàk ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)
B ii 48	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN haṣab(ŠIKA) nurmî( $^{GIŠ}$ NU.ÚR.MA) tasâk(SÚD) ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB-di)
ii 58	qaqqad(SAG.DU) ka-zi-ri ta-qal-lu ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)
B ii 49	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN qaqqad(SAG.DU) ka-zi-ri ta-qa-lu ana pān(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB-di)
ii 59	pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) ta-kap-pár it-qur-tam te-qí
B ii 50	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) ta-ka-par it-qur-ta te-[qi]
ii 60	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) šēpā(GÌR.MIN)-šú simmī(GIG.MEŠ) mali(DIR) išid(SUHUS) pillî( <sup>GIŠ</sup> NAM.TAR) zikari(NÍTA) abli(ḤÁD.A) taḥaššal(GAZ) tanappi(SIM) ina šaman alpi(GU4) taṣammid(LAL)-ma iballuṭ(TI)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> *CAD* K 184 s.v. *kappaltu* "groin, the area between the thighs, thigh" lexical section, Erimhuš II 219 DAL.GÌR = *kap-pal-tú* 

ii 53a	If ditto: you boil a leaf of <i>buṣinnu</i> -plant (and) you pour (it) on the surface (of the sore).
B ii 44	If ditto: you boil a leaf of <i>buṣinnu</i> -plant (and) you apply (it) on the surface (of the sore)
ii 54	If ditto: you boil a leaf of <i>buṣinnu</i> -plant (and) a leaf of the <i>urzinnu</i> -tree (and) you pour (them) on the surface (of the sore)
B ii 45	If ditto: you boil a leaf of <i>buşinnu</i> -plant (and) a leaf of the <i>urzinnu</i> -tree. Ditto. 60
ii 55	If ditto: you boil a leaf of the <i>uzun lalê</i> -plant (and) you pour (it) on the surface (of the sore).
B ii 46	If ditto: you boil a leaf of the <i>uzun lalê</i> -plant (and) you pour (it) on the surface (of the sore).
ii 56	If a man's groin is sore, you char and pound the head of a lizard. You sprinkle (it) on the surface of the sore.
B ii 47	If a man's groin is sore, you char and pound the head of a lizard. You sprinkle (it) on the surface of the sore.
ii 57	You pound pomegranate rind (and) apply (it) on the surface (of the sore)
B ii 48	If ditto: you pound pomegranate rind (and) apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).
ii 58	You roast the head of a marten (and) apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).
B ii 49	If ditto: you roast the head of a marten (and) apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).
ii 59	You wipe off the surface of the sore and daub (it) with <i>itqurtu</i> -salve.
B ii 50	If ditto: you wipe off the surface of the sore and daub (it) with itqurtu-salve
ii 60	If a man's feet are full of sores, you crush (and) sift dried root of the male $pill\hat{u}$ -plant in ox-fat. You bandage (the feet) and he will recover.

 $<sup>^{60}\,</sup>$  Ditto stands for "you pour (it) on the surface (i.e. of the sore)."

ii 61	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) šēpā(GÌR.MIN)-šú simmī(GIG.MEŠ) mali(DIR) simmī(GIG) šunūti a-da-na irrašû(TUK-u) u4-um simmī(GIG.MEŠ) imallu(DIR-u) šammi(Ú) Šamaš(d[UTU)
ii 62	šá ana ereb šamši(dUTU.ŠÚ.A) īnē(IGI.MEŠ)-šú šak-nu ina pān(IGI) Šamši(dUTU) inassaḥ(ZI) ki-a-am iqabbi(DU11.GA) Šamaš(dUTU) šam-mu šammu(Ú)-ka [
ii 63	šammu(Ú) šú-a-tú ana qid-da-ti te-sír kīam(UR <sub>5</sub> .GIM) iqabbi(DU <sub>11</sub> .GA) pu- tur Šamaš(dUTU) ru-um-me Šamaš(dUTU) 7-šú iqabbi(D[U <sub>11</sub> .GA]
ii 64	ina u4-mi-šú-ma eper(SAḤAR) abulli(KÁ.GAL) teleqqi(ŠU.TI) ana nāri(ÍD) tal-lak ana nāri(ÍD) tu-ur-rad-ma pānī(IGI)-šú ana qid-da-te tašakkan(GAR-an) [ x x]
ii 65	šēpē(GÌR.MEŠ)-šú ina qid-da-ti te-sír kiām(UR5.GIM) iqabbi(DU11.GA) at-ta tar-kus at-ta pu-ṭur Šamaš(dUTU) 7-šú iqabbi(D[U11.GA])
ii 66	$p\bar{a}n\bar{\iota}(IGI)$ -šú ana ma-ḫir-ti išakkan(GAR-an) epru(SAHAR) šu-nu-ti šēpē(GÌR.MEŠ)-šú ana ma-ḫir-ti ú-maš-šá-'a kiām(UR5.GIM) igabbi( $\lceil DU_{11} \rceil$ .[GA])
ii 67	at-ta tar-kus at-ta pu-ṭur Šamaš(dUTU) 7-šú iqabbi(DU <sub>11</sub> .GA)-ma al <sup>?</sup> x
ii 68	šumma(DIŠ) simmu(GIG) ina šēp(GÌR) amēli(NA) lu ina iški(ŠIR) amēli(NA) $\bar{\imath}l\bar{\imath}(E_{11})$ -ma i-raš-šá-šum-ma uk-kak ru-ṭib-tum qí-lu-tum šumšu(MU.[NI]) $^{61}$
ii 69	ana bulluṭi(TI)-šú kasû(GAZI.SAR) kakkû(GÚ.TUR) saḥ-lé-e ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) talâš(SILA <sub>11</sub> -aš) taṣammid(LAL-id) ina lipî(Ì.UDU) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) allana(NAGAR) teppuš(DÙ-uš) ana šuburri(DÚR)-šú tašakkan(GAR)-ma x[
ii 70	šumma(DIŠ) simmu(GIG) ina š $\bar{e}p(G\dot{l}R)$ am $\bar{e}li(NA)$ $\bar{\imath}l\bar{\imath}(DU_6.DU)$ -ma $i$ -ra $\check{s}$ - $\check{s}\acute{a}$ - $\check{s}$ um-ma $uk$ -ka $k$ muru $\hat{s}$ ru- $\hat{\iota}$ i $b$ -te maru $\hat{s}$ (G[IG]) $^{62}$
ii 71	$lub\bar{a}ra(T\acute{U}G)^{63}$ nar-ba šamna( $\r{I}$ ) tasalla $\r{h}$ (SUD) ana $p\bar{a}n(IGI)$ tanaddi( $\r{S}UB$ ):
ii 71a	qēm(ZÌ) <sup>64</sup> qut-ri-ni ina muḫḫi(ÚGU) lubārī(TÚG.HI.A) tašakkan(GAR)-ma
ii 72	mê(A) uḥūli qarnāni(NAGA.SI) <sup>65</sup> ana pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) temessi(LUḤ) samna(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) zēr(NUMUN) sikilli( <sup>Ú</sup> SIKIL) zēr(NUMUN) maštakal( <sup>Ú</sup> IN <sub>6</sub> .ÚŠ) ana pān(IGI) [

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> Also mentioned in Tablet 33, 22 of the Diagnostic Handbook. Heeßel, *Diagnostik*, 354 and commentary 368.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> Contra *CAD* Q s.v. *qilûtu*, 252a reads the trace K[I] to be emended with *-lu-tum* as in line 68 above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> Contra *CAD* N s.v. *narbu* b, 350 that reads *subātu* for TÚG, a term that is rather used to refer to a garment. Our text offers a number of examples in which a piece of cloth is used as bandaging material. Note however that citing the reference in ii 71a above, *CAD* Q s.v. *qutrīnu*, 325b reads *lubārē*(TÚG.ḤI.A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> The suggested reading is based on the fact that in this text flour is used as one of the *materia medica* in the treatment of diseases of the feet. Flour is also used in censers for fumigation. Although not in the present text, fumigation of the feet is prescribed. Probably some kind of flour used for censers was intended here.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>65</sup> CAD M s.v. mû A2c), 155b defines this reference under "chemical solutions."

ii 61	If a man's feet are full of sores (and) these sores have a particular course (a
62	fixed duration): when he becomes full of sores, he picks a sunflower
ii 62	before dŠamaš (or, facing the sun), (the flower) that sets its "eyes" (i.e. turns)
(2	towards the sunset, and speaks the following: dŠamaš, this plant is your plant
ii 63	This plant (the medicine) you apply rubbing downward (and) you speak as
	follows: dŠamaš release! dŠamaš loose! [He says it] 7 times.
ii 64	At that time you take dust from the gate (and) go to the river, you step down into the river and you let him face downstream.
ii 65	You rub his feet downward (and) he speaks as follows: dŠamaš you have
	bound (it), you release (it)! [He says it] 7 times.
ii 66	You have him face upstream. He rubs his feet with dust (standing) up-stream.
	He [speaks] as follows
ii 67	<sup>d</sup> Šamaš you have bound, you release (it)! He says 7 times and [
ii 68	If a sore comes up on a man's foot or on his scrotum and (it) makes him itch and he scratches, he suffers from the 'burnt' <i>ruţibtu</i> -moistness disease
ii 69	In order to cure him: you knead <i>kasû</i> -plant, <i>kakkû</i> -lentil, <i>sahlû</i> -cress, in <i>kasû</i> -
	juice. You bandage (the foot). (These <i>materia medica</i> ) you mix in tallow (and)
	you make a suppository and place it into his anus. [
ii 70	If a sore comes up on a man's foot and (it) makes him itch and he scratches,
	[he is sick] with the <i>ruṭibtu</i> -moistness disease.
ii 71	You sprinkle a moist piece of cloth with oil. You apply (it) on it.
ii 71a	You place censer flour over the pieces of cloth. [
ii 72	You wash the surface of the sore with horned alkali juice. You rub (it) with oil.
	Seed of the <i>sikillu</i> -plant (and) seed of the <i>maštakal</i> -plant [you sprinkle] on the surface (of the sore).

# Col.iii

iii 1	šammu peşû(Ú BABBAR) tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) imḫur( <sup>Ú</sup> IGI)-lim <sup>Ú</sup> tar-muš imḫur( <sup>Ú</sup> IGI)-ešrā(NIŠ) ta-sàk ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) zēr(NUMUN) maštakal( <sup>Ú</sup> IN.NU.UŠ)
iii 2	zēr(NUMUN) <sup>Ú</sup> kám-ka-di tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) <sup>Ú</sup> ak-tam zēr(NUMUN) ú-ra-ni tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) burāšu( <sup>ŠEM</sup> LI) kukru( <sup>ŠEM</sup> GÚR.GÚR) tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)
iii 3	<sup>Ú</sup> úr-nu-u tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) kazallu( <sup>Ú</sup> KA.ZAL.LA <sup>!</sup> ) nīnû( <sup>Ú</sup> KUR.RA) tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) ḥabburu(ŠE.KAK) qān šalāli(GI.ŠUL.ḤI)
iii 4	<sup>Ú</sup> ak-tam tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) išid(SUḤUŠ) uzun lalî( <sup>Ú</sup> UR.TÁL.TÁL) zēr(NUMUN) <sup>GIŠ</sup> bi-ni tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)
iii 5	ar(PA) lipāri(GIŠMI.PÀR) ar(PA) GIŠ šu-še ar(PA) ēri(GIŠMA.NU) burāšu(ŠEMLI) kukru(ŠEMGÚR.GÚR) e-ma simmu(GIG) tatanaddi(ŠUB.MEŠ)
iii 6	<sup>Ú</sup> ar-ga-nam <sup>Ú</sup> ba-ri-ra-tú ana pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) tanaddi(ŠUB) ina tinūri(IM.[ŠU].RI.NA) te-sek-kir
iii 7	šēpē(GÌR.MEŠ)-šú tu-maš-šá-'a šaman(Ì) erēni(EREN) kukru(ŠEMGÚR.GÚR)
	<sup>Ú</sup> an-ki-nu- <sup>r</sup> tim¹ tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ)
iii 8	zēr(NUMUN) maštakal( <sup>Ú</sup> IN <sub>6</sub> .ÚŠ) zēr(NUMUN) sikilli( <sup>Ú</sup> SIKIL) ta-sàk ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)
iii 9	zēr(NUMUN) uzun lalî( <sup>Ú</sup> ÚR.TÁL.TÁL) zēr(NUMUN) šakirî( <sup>Ú</sup> ŠAKIR) zēr(NUMUN) lišān kalbi( <sup>Ú</sup> EME.UR.GI <sub>7</sub> ) ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak šamna(Ì.GIŠ) tal-tap-pat taṣammid(LAL-id)
iii 10	zēr(NUMUN) kamanti( <sup>Ú</sup> ÁB.GAB) zēr(NUMUN) papparḫî(BABBAR.ḤI <sup>SAR</sup> ) ta-sàk ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL-id)
iii 11	šamnū(Ú.ḤI.A) an-nu-ti ina šikari(KAŠ) išatti(NAG) ina iškūri(GAB.LÀL) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) taṣammid(LAL-id)
iii 12	kirbān(LAG) eqli(A.ŠÀ) ar(PA) lipāri(GIŠMI.PÀR) ar(PA) ú-ra-ni ta-sàk ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)

# Col. iii

iii 1	You pound white plant. You apply (it) on (the sore). You pound <i>imhur-limmu</i> (and) <i>imhur-ešra</i> (plants). You apply (them) on (the sore). You pound seed of the <i>maštakal</i> -plant (and)
iii 2	seed of the <i>kamkādu</i> -plant. You apply (them) on (the sore). You pound <i>aktam</i> -plant (and) seed of the <i>urānu</i> -plant. You apply (them) on (the sore). You pound juniper (and) <i>kukru</i> -plant. You apply (them) on (the sore).
iii 3	You pound $urn\hat{u}$ -plant. You apply (it) on (the sore). You pound $kazallu$ -plant (and) $n\bar{l}n\hat{u}$ -plant. You apply (them) on (the sore). You pound $habburu$ -plant, $q\bar{a}n\ \check{s}al\bar{a}lu$ -reed (and)
iii 4	aktam-plant. You apply (them) on (the sore). You pound the root of the uzun lalî-plant, (and) tamarisk seed. You apply (them) on (the sore).
iii 5	Leaf of <i>lipāru</i> -tree, leaf of a <i>šūšu</i> -tree, leaf of an <i>ēru</i> -tree, juniper, <i>kukru</i> -aromatic plant: You apply (them) wherever (there is) a sore.
iii 6	You apply over the sore <i>argannu</i> -plant (and) <i>barirātu</i> -plant. You heat (the plants) in an oven. <sup>66</sup>
iii 7	You rub his feet (with it). You mix cedar oil, <i>kukru</i> -aromatic plant (and) <i>ankinutu</i> plant. You rub (his feet).
iii 8	You pound seed of the <i>maštakal</i> -plant, seed of <i>sikillu</i> -plant. You decoct (them) in <i>kasû</i> -juice. You bandage (the feet).
iii 9	You decoct in $kas\hat{u}$ -juice seed of $uzun\ lal\hat{i}$ -plant, seed of the $\check{s}akir\hat{u}$ -plant, seed of 'dog's tongue'-plant. You decoct (them) in $kas\hat{u}$ -juice. You moisten <sup>67</sup> (the mixture) with oil. You bandage (the feet).
iii 10	You pound <i>kamantu</i> -seed (and) <i>papparhû</i> -seed. You decoct (them) in <i>kasû</i> -juice. You bandage (the feet).
iii 11	These plants he drinks in beer (and these plants) you mix (them) in wax (and) bandage (the sore). <sup>68</sup>
iii 12	You pound <i>kirbān eqli</i> , leaf of <i>lipāru</i> , leaf of anise. You apply (them) on the surface (of the sore).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>66</sup> This line and line 7 involve three different procedures. First, a treatment for the sore. Second, apparently the same aforementioned plants are to be heated in the oven and the feet are rubbed with them. Third, two plants are mixed with cedar oil and rubbed presumably on his feet.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>67</sup> "Moisten" here has the connotation of "folding in" and not of stirring.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>68</sup> It seems that the prescribed *materia medica* were to be administered in two forms, taken internally and then also as the content of a paste for bandaging the sore.

iii 13	šumma(DIŠ) simmu(GIG) ina šēp(GÌR) amēli(NA) uṣṣa(È)-ma kīma(GIM) bubu 'te(BU.BU.UL-te) i-ḥar-ra-aṣ sàg-ba-nu <sup>69</sup> šumšu(MU.NE) akla(NINDA) er-ra tamaḥḥaḥ(DIR)-ma ina-eš
iii 14	$\check{s}umma(DI\check{S})$ KI.MIN $z\hat{e}(\check{S}E_{10})$ $am\bar{e}li(L\acute{U}.U_{18}.LU)^{70}$ $tapa\check{s}\check{s}a\check{s}(\check{S}\check{E}\check{S})$ -ma ina-e $\check{s}$ :
iii 14a	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN erib turbu'ti(BUR <sub>5</sub> .SAḤAR.RA) tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) tazarru(MAR)-ma ina-eš
iii 15	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN dām(ÚŠ) kalīt(ÉLLAG) alpi(GU4) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) il-ta šá tibni(IN.NU) tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) tazarru(MAR)-ma ina-eš :
iii 15a	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN irrû( <sup>Ú</sup> ÚKUŠ.LAGAB) tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) tasâk(SÚD) KI.MIN
iii 16	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) šamna(Ì.GIŠ) : himēta(ʿ̹.NUN)
	tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) haṣab(ŠIKA) nurmî(GIŠNU.ÚR.MA) tabbal(ḪÁD.A) tasâk(SÚD) tazarru(MAR)
iii 17	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN hīl(ILLU) balluhi(ŠEMBULUḤ) tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) :
iii 17a	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) šamna(Ì) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) aban suluppi(NA4.ZU <sub>11</sub> .LUM.MA) tasâk(SÚD) KI.MIN
iii 18	$\check{s}umma(DI\check{S})$ KI.MIN $\check{p}an(_{L}IGI_{J})$ $\check{s}immi(GIG)$ $\check{s}aman(\grave{I}.GI\check{S})$ $\check{e}r\bar{e}ni(^{GI\check{S}}EREN)$ :
	himēta(Ì.N[UN]) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) burāšu( <sup>ŠEM</sup> LI) kukru( <sup>ŠEM</sup> GÚR.GÚR) kamūnu( <sup>Ú</sup> GAMUN) ištēniš(DIŠ-niš) tasâk(SÚD) MIN
iii 19	<i>šumma</i> (DIŠ) KI.MIN <i>libbi gišimmari</i> ( <sup>GIŠ</sup> ŠÀ.GIŠIMMAR) <i>tur-ár tasâk</i> (SÚD) KI.MIN :
iii 19a	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN pēnti(NE) libbi gišimmari(「GIЬŠÀ.GIŠIMMAR)
	iltu(IN.RI) tibni(IN.NU) mirṣu(N[INDA.Ì.D]É.A) tur-ár ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)
iii 20	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN mirṣu(NINDA.Ì.DÉ.A) tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) ina mê(A.MEŠ) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL) :
iii 20a	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ar(PA) <sup>GIŠ</sup> bi-nu tasâk(SÚD) ina dām(ÚŠ) erēni( <sup>GIŠ</sup> EREN) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)
iii 21	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN iškūru([GAB <sup>?</sup> ].LÀL) tu-la-am <sup>71</sup> taṣammid(LAL-id) :
iii 21a	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN dišpa(LÀL) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) pēnti(NE) erēni( <sup>GIŠ</sup> EREN.NA) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)
iii 22	šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN dišpa(LÀL) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) kišād(GÚ) sukannini(TU.KUR4 <sup>[MUŠEN]</sup> ) tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) KI.MIN

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>69</sup> In association with *šaššaţu*, (A. Goetze, "An Incantation Against Diseases," *JCS* 9 (1955) 8 *ša-ak-ba-nu*, and 13). Also *ašû*, *maškadu*, *sagallu*, *sagbānu*, *BAM* 338, 26 and dupls., variant from *STT* 138:23.

<sup>70</sup> LÚ.U<sub>18</sub>.LU is to be read *amēlu*. *CAD* Z s.v. *zû* reads *amēlūtu* (NAM.LÚ.U<sub>18</sub>.LU).

<sup>71</sup> *CAD* L s.v. *lummu* 246a (meaning uncertain), makes reference to this text, variant to *lamāmu* "to chew."

iii 13	If a sore breaks out on a man's foot and festers (becomes ready) like a boil, <i>sagbānu</i> is its name. You soak moldy bread <sup>72</sup> and he will recover.
iii 14	If ditto: you rub (the sore) with human excrement and he will recover.
iii 14a	If ditto: you char dust locust, you pound (it and) sprinkle (on the sore) and he
111 1 100	will recover.
iii 15	If ditto: you rub with blood from the kidney of an ox. You char chaff taken
	from straw (and) you pound (it and) sprinkle (it on the sore) and he will recover.
iii 15a	If ditto: you dry and pound <i>irrû</i> -plant. Ditto, and he will recover.
iii 16	If ditto: you rub the surface of the sore with oil (or) ghee. You dry (and) pound pomegranate rind, sprinkle (it on the sore).
iii 17	If ditto: you pound baluhhu-resin (and) apply (it) on the surface (of the sore).
iii 17a	If ditto: you rub the surface of the sore with oil. You pound date stone. Ditto.
iii 18	If ditto: you rub the surface of the sore with cedar oil (or) ghee. You pound
	together juniper, kukru (and) kamūnu (cumin?). Ditto.
iii 19	If ditto: you char (and) pound palm leaf. Ditto.
iii 19a	If ditto: You char charcoal of palm leaf, chaff taken from straw (and) <i>mirṣu</i> -cake. You decoct (the mixture) in <i>kasû</i> -juice. You bandage (the sore).
iii 20	If ditto: you char and pound <i>mirṣu</i> -cake. You decoct (it) in <i>kasû</i> -juice. You
	bandage (the sore).
iii 20a	If ditto: you pound a tamarisk leaf. You rub cedar resin (and) apply it (the crushed leaf) on the surface (of the sore).
iii 21	If ditto: you chew wax (to soften it by chewing). You bandage (with it).
iii 21a	If ditto: you rub (it) with honey. You apply cedar charcoal on the surface (of
	the sore).
iii 22	If ditto: you rub (it) with honey. You char and pound the neck of a turtledove.
	Ditto.

 $<sup>^{72}</sup>$  Moldy bread is a very rare *materium medicum* in Mesopotamian medicine. Reference to a liquid would be expected here, but not necessarily so. The softened moldy bread was presumably placed on the sore.

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iii 23		T AT	<b>[7</b> ]	TIZII	NI	E ZU.ZU.E	NTC : : ¥1 :.	(CID)	1 1	/ 3
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iii 24	[KA INIM].MA [	uninscribed	] 「sàg¬-bá-nu <sup>74</sup>
iii 25	-		va(DÙ.A.BI) ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-
iii 26			um ḫimēta(Ì.NUN) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) 1 -aṣ <sup>77</sup> erbet ūmū(UD.4.KÁM) ta-za-
iii 27	[šumma(DIŠ) KI.MIN ištēniš(DIŠ-niš) tuballa ta-pa-aṣ šamna(Ì.GIŠ)	al(ḤE.ḤE) KI. ™I	(IL]LU) baluḫḫi( <sup>ŠEM</sup> BULUḤ) N <sup>¬78</sup> suluppa(ZÚ.LUM.MA) tur-ár za-ru-ma ina-eš

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>73</sup> This is the only title of an incantation mentioned in this text, and it is difficult to precisely acertain the context in which this was to be recited. Col. ii 68 mentions a prescription for the treatment of a kind of an itching sore (rutibtu kīlūtu) that can appear either on the foot or on the scrotum. This prescription is followed by ten additional prescriptions for treating rutibtu in lines ii 70-iii 12. Beginning with col. iii 13-22, however, a series of sixteen prescriptions for the treatment of the sagbānu sore is listed. Although the text does not indicate that this kind of sore could appear on the scrotum, line 23 mentions the incantation title that evidently makes reference to the scrotum ina iški(ŠIR). The possibility that it might refer to the potency of the patient as a side effect could not be confirmed in the list of incantations to be recited in rituals to restore a man's potency (see R.D. Biggs, ŚA.ZI.GA Ancient Mesopotamian Potency Incantations 1967). It is interesting to note that in the Sumerian of Gilgamesh and The Netherworld, when Enkidu returns after having retrieved their playthings from the Netherworld, Gilgamesh is curious to know about the condition of the spirits that live there and asks Enkidu a series of questions to which Enkidu replies. He asks: 'Did you see the young man who had not bared the lap of his wife?' 'I saw him.' 'How does he fare?' 'He is finishing a hand-worked rope, he weeps over that handworked rope.' A woman who had not had sexual relations with a man is described as "finishing a hand-worked reed mat" over which she weeps. (A.R. George, *The Babylonian Epic of Gilgamesh*, II, 775) Does the idea of the rope in the incantation hark back to the symbolism in the epic? What exactly is meant by ina ebil mērešta (note the unusual spelling), (CAD s.v. mērešta A and B) cannot be established, as the text of this incantation is not known. An additional question is presented by the form *mērešta* where *mērešti* would be expected. It seems as though the sentence were left unfinished.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> It is possible, though not definite, that this line refers to the rituals for  $sagb\bar{a}nu$  that are to follow, hence, the reading  $sagb\bar{a}nu$  at the end of the line. Note the unusual spelling with a  $b\acute{a}$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>75</sup> The transcription *AMT* 75, 25 reads a clear *ma-la* which cannot be discerned on the photograph due to damage to the tablet. The emendation *ma-la* would not be syntactically possible. The emendation *malmališ* is based on other similar well-documented contexts. There is enough space for these three signs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup>The emendation is based on context. There seems to be no room for another sign.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> *CAD* P, 1 s.v. *pa'āşu*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>78</sup> The MIN is very faintly discernable and therefore uncertain. The reading KI.MIN is, however, somewhat problematic. If an alternative prescription was intended in this same line, as, for example, above in lines 14, 17 19 or 20 of this column, the separating GAM sign and a *šumma*(DIŠ) would be expected before the KI. As only the KI is clearly seen, a possible reading that would fit the context and is well-attested in medical prescriptions could be *qi-suluppi* "the skin of a date". The fact that a sign, in this instance *lip*, is to be emended is not an exception in this text.

iii 23	Incantation: The ones who know, they know. In the scrotum with the rope of desire (?)
iii 24	If ditto <sup>?</sup> : x [ ] (uninscribed portion) <i>sagbānu</i> .
iii 25	If ditto: [ ] You pound all these plants [in equal quantities] yo mix together (and) decoct (them) in $kas\hat{u}$ -juice. You bandage (the sore) and h will recover.
iii 26	[If a man (has)] <i>sagbānu</i> , you rub with ghee. You crush the leaf of a pomegranate tree (and) you sprinkle (it on the sore) for four days and he will recover.
iii 27	[If ditto: ] You mix together [ ] and baluhhu-resin. Ditt you char (and) crush a date. You rub with oil. You sprinkle (it on the sore) are he will recover.

iii 28	$[\check{s}umma(DI\check{S})\ am\bar{e}lu(NA)^{79}\ ma-h]ir-ta-\check{s}u^{80}\ nu-uh-hu-ra-at-ma\ qaran(SI)$
	ajjali(DÀRA.BAR) tasâk(SÚD) ina šamni(Ì.GIŠ) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE)
	tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) ta-za-ru-ma ina-eš

iii 29	[ $\check{s}umma(DI\check{S}) KI.MIN$ $z\bar{e}r(NUMUN)] b\bar{\iota}ni(^{GI\check{S}}\check{S}I]NIG)$
	tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) :
iii 29a	dikmēnu(DÈ) ṭābtu(MUN) tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB) :
iii 29b	dadānu(GIŠÚ.GÍR.LAGAB) tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)
iii 30	[
iii 30a	<sup>U</sup> hal-tap-pa-na ta-sàk ana pāni(IGI) tanaddi(ŠUB)
iii 31	[saḫ-lé-e kasû(GAZI].SAR) qalûte(BÍL.MEŠ) si-ku-ti <sup>82</sup> ina šikari(KAŠ)
	tušabšal(ŠEG <sub>6</sub> -šal) 3 u4-me taṣammid(LAL) naṣmatti(NÍG.LAL) šēpi(GÌR) nu-hur-ti
B iii 18	saḥ-lé-e qa-lu-te kasû(GAZI.SAR) si-ku-ú-ti ina KA[Š
B iii 19	3 u4-me 3 nașmatti(NÍG.LAL) šēpi(GÌR) nu-uḥ-ḥur-[ti]
iii 32	[arki(EGIR)-šu ina 4.KÁM u4-me qaran(SI) ajali(DÀRA.MAŠ)
	aban suluppi(N]A <sub>4</sub> .ZÚ.LUM.MA tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) ina šamni(Ì.GIŠ)
	tuballal(HE.HE) himēta(Ì.NUN) tapaššaš(EŠ-aš) 2 nașmatti(NÍG.LAL) šá
	muruş(GIG) nu-ḥur-ti
B iii 20	arki(EGIR)-šu ina 4.KÁM u <sub>4</sub> -me garan(SI) ajjali(DÀRA.MAŠ) aban
	suluppi(NA <sub>4</sub> .ZÚ.LUM.[MA ] <sup>83</sup>
B iii 21	tur-ár tasâk(SÚD) ina lipî(Ì.UDU) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) himēta(Ì.NUN)
	tapaššaš(EŠ-aš) [2] naṣmatti(NÍG.LAL) [

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> The emendation is based on context.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>80</sup> The *maḥirtu* is a leg bone that is listed in Erimḥuš II 217 U.NA = *ma-ḥir-tú* before the entry for *kabbartu* (Erimḥuš II 218), an indication that these two large bones of the lower leg were meant here. CAD identifies this bone as possibly being the fibula. As we have seen above, however, the evidence points rather to the fact that *kabbartu* corresponds to the fibula (see above, introductory section). As the *maḥirtu* is also mentioned before the thinner *kabbartu*, the *maḥirtu* is the much larger bone, the tibia. A reference to the *maḥirtu* of a jenny (female donkey) is mentioned in an incantation *STT* 215 ii 70 (dupl. *KAR* 88 rev. iii 16) *ina maḥirti atāni*(ANŠE<sup>MUNUS</sup>) *qāssu*(Š[U-s]u *limḥaṣ* "may he (Ningirsu) hit his hand with a *maḥirtu* bone of a jenny." (E. Ebeling, "Sammlungen von Beschwörungsformeln" *ArOr* 21(1953) 413). We are not told whether the bone came from the foreleg or the hindleg of the animal. The *maḥirtu*, therefore, seems to have been one of the larger bones, as the tibia in the human leg.

<sup>81</sup> Unclear, in broken context. Traces could point to MAR for *tazarru*, but the context requires a SÚD.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>82</sup> In view of the parallel in Ms. B iii 18, this line is probably to be understood with the same word order, rather than roasting and powdering both the  $sahl\hat{u}$  and the  $kas\hat{u}$ . See also iv 42.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>83</sup> There are two problems here. It is unusual to write *ina* 4.KÁM  $u_4$ -me where *ina*  $u_4$ -me 4.KÁM is expected. The traces of the sign DÀRA.MAŠ are questionable.

iii 28	[If a man's] tibia is <i>nuḥḥuru</i> -ed: you pound the horn of a deer (and) mix (it) in oil. You rub (and) sprinkle (it on the affected area) and he will recover.
iii 29	[If ditto: ] You pound tamarisk [seeds]. You apply it to
	the surface (of the sore)
iii 29a	You pound ashes and salt. You apply it to the surface (of the sore).
iii 29b	You char (and) pound <i>dadānu</i> . You apply it to the surface (of the sore).
iii 30	You pound [ ]. You apply it to the surface (of the sore).
iii 30a	You pound <i>haltappānu</i> -plant. You apply it to the surface (of the sore).
iii 31	You boil in beer roasted [ $sahl\hat{u}$ -cress] (and) powdered [ $ka$ ] $s\hat{u}$ . You bandage (the foot) for three days. Bandage for a foot that has $nuhurtu$ .
B iii 18	[You boil] in beer roasted <i>saḥlû-cress</i> (and) powdered <i>kasû</i> .
B iii 19	[You bandage] (the foot) for three days. Three (ingredients) for a bandage for a foot that has <i>nuḥurtu</i> .
iii 32	Afterwards, on the fourth day, you char (and) pound stag horn (and) date stone (and) mix in oil. You rub with ghee. Two (ingredients) for a bandage for the <i>nuḥurtu</i> -disease
B iii 20	Afterwards, on the fourth day you char (and) pound [stag horn] (and) date stone
B iii 21	(and) mix in fat. You rub with ghee. Two (ingredients) for a bandage [

[šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) muruṣ(GIG) nu-ḫur-ti]<sup>84</sup> maruṣ(GIG) qadūt šikani(IM.GÚ. 「EN¬ .[NA) tasâk(SÚ]D²) ina šamni(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššassu(Š[É]Šiii 33 su) tazarru(MAR)-ma ina-eš

iii 34	[ taṣammid(LA	] ina šamni(Ì.GIŠ) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) L)-ma ina-eš
iii 35	[ tušabšal(ŠEG	] tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ-aš) gaṣṣa(IM.BABBAR) 6-šal) tazarru(MAR)-ma ina-eš
iii 36	[	i]na mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak KI.M[IN]
iii 37	[	]x-ma ina muḥḥi(UGU) tašakkan(GAR)-ma [ ]
iii 38	[	] x [
iii 39	[	]x taṣammid(LAL)-ma [ina-eš] <sup>85</sup>
iii 40	[	] taṣammid(LAL)-ma x [
iii 41 (Text brea	[ aks off)	] IM x []

# Col. iv

iv 1	burāšu( <sup>ŠEM</sup> LI) kukru( <sup>ŠEM</sup> GÚR.GÚR) kanaktu( <sup>ŠEM</sup> GIG) tabbal(ḤÁD.A) tatanaddi(ŠUB.ŠUB)-ma ina-eš
iv 2	DIŠ KI.MIN pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) temessi(LUḤ-si) šamna(Ì.GIŠ)
	tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) <sup>GIŠ</sup> ar-ga-na <sup>Ú</sup> ba-ri-ra-tú ina mê(A) tanaddi(ŠUB)
iv 3	ina tinūri(IM.ŠU.RIN.NA te-sek-kir tušēlâ(E <sub>11</sub> ) mê(A)-šu-nu-ti šēpā(GÌR.MIN)-šú tu-maš-šá- '-ma
iv 4	šamna(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ-aš) burāšu( <sup>GIŠ</sup> LI) kukru( <sup>GIŠ</sup> GÚR.GÚR) <sup>Ú</sup> an-ki-nu-ti tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ)-ma ina-eš

 $<sup>^{84}\,</sup>$  This emendation is likely but is not supported by parallels.  $^{85}$  A very likely emendation.

iii 33 [If a man] is ill [with the *nuhurtu*-disease], you [crush<sup>?</sup>] river sediment. You rub him with oil. You sprinkle (it on him) and he will recover.

iii 34	[ area) and he will recover.	] you mix in oil. You bandage (the affection	cted
iii 35	[ him) and he will recover.	] you rub. You boil gypsum. You sprinl	kle (it on
iii 36	[	] You decoct in <i>kasû</i> -juice. Ditto.	
iii 37	[	] you place on it [	]
iii 38	[	] x [	]
iii 39	[recover.]	] you bandage and [he w	rill
iii 40	Ĺ	] you bandage and [	]

(Text breaks off.)

# **Col.iv**

- iv 1 You dry juniper (and) *kanaktu* aromatic-plant. You repeatedly apply (them on the sore?) and he will recover.
- iv 2 If ditto: You wash the surface of the sore (and) rub (it) with oil. You put *argannu*-plant (and) *barirātu*-plant in water.
- iv 3 You heat it in an oven. You take it out. You rub his feet (with) this liquid (lit. liquids).
- iv 4 You rub (his feet) with oil. You mix juniper, *kukru*-aromatic (and) *ankinutu* (in oil). You rub (his feet with this) and he will recover.

iv 5	DIŠ KI.MIN pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) temessi(LUḤ-si) šamna(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) zēr(NUMUN) maštakal(ÚIN6.ÚŠ) zēr(NUMUN) sikilli(ÚSIKIL) ištēniš(DIŠ-niš) tasâk(SÚD) ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)-ma ina-eš <sup>86</sup>	
iv 6	DIŠ KI.MIN pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) temessi(LUḤ-si) šamna(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) zēr(NUMUN) <sup>Ú</sup> úr-né-e zēr(NUMUN) sikilli( <sup>Ú</sup> SIKIL) zēr(NUMUN) lišān kalbi ( <sup>Ú</sup> EME.UR.GI <sub>7</sub> )	
iv 7	ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak ina šamni(Ì.GIŠ) taltappatma(TAG.TAG-ma) <sup>87</sup> taṣammid(LAL)-ma ina-eš	
iv 8	DIŠ KI.MIN pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) temessi(LUḤ-si) šamna(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) zēr(NUMUN) kamūni( <sup>Ú</sup> GAMUN <sup>SAR</sup> ) zēr(NUMUN) hassī( <sup>Ú</sup> ḤI.IS <sup>SAR</sup> ) ina mê(A) kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taṣammid(LAL)-ma ina-eš	
iv 9	DIŠ KI.MIN pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) temessi(LUḤ-si) šamna(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) šammū(Ú.ḤI.A) an-nu-ti ina iškūri(GAB.LÀL) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) taṣammid(LAL)-ma ina-eš	
iv 10	DIŠ KI.MIN pān(IGI) simmi(GIG) temessi(LUḤ-si) šamna(Ì.GIŠ) tapaššaš(ŠÉŠ) sikillu( <sup>Ú</sup> SIKIL) ar(PA) lipāri(MI.PAR <sub>7</sub> ) ú-ra-nu ištēniš(DIŠ-niš) tasâk(SÚD) tazarru(MAR)-ma ina-eš	
iv 11	[ S]AG <sup>?</sup> qilip(BAR) <sup>Ú</sup> ḥa-še-e zikaru(NITA) ina ni-di <sup>88</sup> ša nūni(KU <sub>6</sub> ) tuš-te-mid-ma <sup>89</sup> ana šuburri(DÚR)-šú tatabbak(DUB)-ma iballuṭ(TI)	
iv 12	[ S]AG <sup>?</sup> qilip(BAR) <sup>Ú</sup> ḥa-še-e ina šizib(GA) unīqi( <sup>MUNUS</sup> ÁŠ.GÀR) lā petīti(GÌŠ.NU.ZU) ana šuburri(DÚR)-šú tatabbak(DUB)-ma iballuṭ(TI)	
iv 13	[ ] maštakal( $^{\circ}$ IN.NU.UŠ) $^{\circ}$ ú[ $r$ -né- $e$ ] $^{\circ}$ ha-še- $e$ balu(NU) pa-tan išattī(NAG)-ma iballuṭ(TI)	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>86</sup> The second part of the prescription is identical to the prescription in col. iii 8 which is for the *ruţibtu*-disease, as the last prescription in col. ii 70 is for that disease. But we cannot know for which particular disease this prescription (col. iv 5) was meant, as the text breaks off at the end of col. iii. It can be, however, safely surmised that the affliction dealt with is an open sore, as the prescriptions that follow instruct us that the surface of the sore be washed and oiled before the medication is applied.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>87</sup> Syllabic spelling in iii 9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>88</sup> The meaning of a " $n\bar{\imath}du$  of a fish" is unknown. As the resultant mixture is poured, it must be a liquid. Could it be a type of fish broth?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>89</sup> Št-stem from *emēdu* "to mix."

iv 5	If ditto. You wash the surface of the sore (and) rub (it) with oil. You pound together seeds of <i>maštakal</i> (and) seeds of <i>sikillu</i> . You decoct (them) in <i>kasû</i> -juice. You bandage (the sore) and he will recover.	
iv 6-7	If ditto: You wash the surface of the sore (and) rub (it) with oil. You decoct seeds of $urn\hat{u}$ , seeds of $sikillu$ -plant, seeds of 'dog's tongue'-plant in $kas\hat{u}$ -juice. You moisten it with oil and bandage (the sore) and he will recover.	
iv 8	If ditto: You wash the surface of the sore (and) rub (it) with oil. You decoct cumin seeds (and) lettuce seeds in <i>kasû</i> -juice. You bandage (the sore) and he will recover.	
iv 9	If ditto: You wash the surface of the sore (and) rub (it) with oil. You mix these plants in wax. You bandage (the sore) and he will recover.	
iv 10	If ditto: You wash the surface of the sore (and) rub (it) with oil. You pound together <i>sikillu</i> , leaf of <i>lipāru</i> -tree, (and) <i>urânu</i> . You sprinkle (on the sore) and he will recover.	
iv 11	[ ] x peel of the male <i>hasû</i> -plant you mix (these?) in " <i>nīdu</i> " of a fish. You pour it into his anus <sup>90</sup> and he will get well (lit. live).	
iv 12	[ ] x (you mix) peel of <i>ḥašû</i> -plant in milk of a virgin kid. You pour it into his anus and he will get well (lit. live).	
iv 13	[ ] maštakal-plant, u[rnû-plant ], ḫašû-plant he drinks (these) on an empty stomach and he will get well (lit. live).	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>90</sup> i.e. "you administer an enema."

iv 14	[ ] $\int_{0}^{1} tar-mu\check{s}$ [ ] $\int_{0}^{1} tar-mu\check{s}$ [ ] $\int_{0}^{1} tar-mu\check{s}$ [ ]	]x balu(NU) pa-tan
	išattī(NAG)-ma iballuṭ(TI)	
iv 15	[ ] <sup>[Ū</sup> ḥa-še-e [	]x suādu( <sup>ŠEM</sup> IM.DI) ina
	$\emph{m\^e}(A)$ tara-ṣa-a $\emph{n}^{91}$ ina kakkabi(UL) tuš-bat	
iv 16	ina šér-ti [tu]-ta-[ab-bak	] balu(NU) pa-tan
	išattī(NAG)-ma iballuṭ(TI)	
iv 17	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) a-si-da-šú pur-ru-ur <sup>92</sup>	
	tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina tangussi( <sup>t</sup>	$^{JRUDU}$ Š[EN.TUR]) [in]a mê(A)
	kasî(GAZI.SAR) tara-bak taşammid(LAL)	
iv 18	DIŠ KI.MIN irrû( <sup>Ú</sup> ÚKUŠ.LAGAB) tabbal(ḪÁ	D.DU) taḥaššal(GAZ) ina
	lipî([Ì].UDU) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) taṣammid(LAL)	
iv 19	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) a-si-da-šú lu-ut-ta-a <sup>93</sup>	mu-bat-ti-ra šá eqli(A.ŠÀ) ina
	lipî(Ì.[UDU]) tuballal([ḤE].ḤE) taṣammid(LAI	<b>L</b> )
iv 20	DIŠ KI.MIN-ma la-bir allutti(AL.LUL) nāri(ÍĽ	)) tabbal(ḤÁD.DU)
	tasâk(SÚD) [ ]x x tanaddi(ŠUB)	
iv 21	DIŠ KI.MIN <sup>Ú</sup> ak-tam tabbal(ḤÁD.DU) ta-sàk t	ta-za-rù :
iv 21a	DIŠ KI.MIN murru( <sup>ŠEM</sup> ŠEŠ) t[a sàk	]
iv 22	DIŠ KI.MIN qēm(ZÌ) šumutti( <sup>Ú</sup> SUMUN.DAR <sup>S.</sup>	<sup>AR</sup> ) tasâk(SÚD) ina
	lipî(Ì.UDU) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) taṣammid(LAL) :	
iv 22a	DIŠ KI.MIN KUŠ e [	.]x
iv 23	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) a-si-da-šú gi-na-a mar	-ṣa šīnāta(KÀŠ) ina
	tinūri(NINDU) te-sek-kir em-me-te u kaṣīte(ŠE	D <sub>7</sub> .MEŠ- <i>te</i> ) [

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>91</sup> See *CAD* R s.v. *rasānu* (*raṣānu*) 180b.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>92</sup> Injury to the heel bone (*calcaneus*) can occur as a result of a heavy object falling on it or from a fall from a height and landing on the feet. As it is due to the force of the impact exerted by the two large bones of the lower leg (tibia and fibula) on the talus which sits above the heel bone, on the one hand, and the hard ground underneath the heel, on the other, the heel bone can in fact shatter (*parāru*).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>93</sup> From *letû* "to split." The condition described here affects both heels and probably refers to the condition of "cracked heels" which is a common problem caused by wearing thin soled sandals or going bare-foot combined with poor hygiene. As the skin of the heel dries out and a thick callus forms, cracks in the skin occur which can be deep and can become infected due to dirt collecting in the cracks. This condition can be seen even today especially in the rural areas in the Near East. It is interesting to note that fat constitutes one of the prescribed ingredients, as it is today to relieve the discomfort.

man's heel is shattered, you dry and crush <i>tūru</i> -plant. You decoct (it) in t-juice in a <i>tangussu</i> -vessel. You bandage (the heel).	
tto: you dry and crush <i>irrû</i> -plant. You mix it with fat (and) bandage (the	
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If ditto: you dry and crush <i>irrû</i> -plant. You mix it with fat (and) bandage (the heel).	
If a man's heels are split (cracked heels), you mix a <i>mubattir</i> -insect (type of locust) of the field in fat (and) you bandage (the heels).	
If ditto, but it (the condition) is old <sup>94</sup> : you dry and pound a river crab. You put []	
If ditto: You dry, pound <i>aktam</i> -plant, (and) sprinkle (it on the heels).	
tto: You pound myrrh [	
tto: You pound <i>šumuṭṭu</i> -plant (and) mix it in fat. You bandage (the heels)	
tto: skin of [	
If a man's heels are constantly sore, you heat urine in an oven. Hot and cold  [ ]	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>94</sup> Probably referring to the length of time the patient has had the condition or possibly to the age of the patient.

iv 24	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) šapal(KI.TA) šēpī(GÌR.MIN)-šú uzaqqassu(GÍR.GÍR-su) kibrītu(PIŠ <sub>10</sub> .dÍD) x[	
iv 25	DIŠ KI.MIN kibrītu(PIŠ <sub>10</sub> . d´ID) nikiptu(ŠIM. dMAŠ) imbu' tâmti(KA	
	A.AB.BA) ina šamni(Ì) tuballal(ḤE.ḤE) šapal(KI.TA) šēpī(GÌR.MIN)-šú	
iv 26	$\S{umma}(DI\S) \ amar{e}lu({}_{l}NA_{l})[ ] \ [du_{l}x \ [ ] \ lu \ ina \ mim-ma \ lu \ \Sar{e}par{a}$	
	(GÌR.MIN)-šú lu ubān(ŠU.SI)-šú im-ru-uṭ-ma [	
iv 27	[ ] i-šar-rik šum-ma šarku(LUGUD) uṣṣa(È-a)	
	lab-ki kasû(GAZI.SAR) [	
iv 28	[ ] irrû( <sup>[Ú]</sup> ÚKUŠ.LAGAB) zē(ŠÈ) šaḫî(ŠAḪ)	
	billatu(DIDA) kupru(ESIR) taṣammid(LAL)-ma i-šar-[rik]	
iv 29	[ ] suluppu(ZÚ.LUM) 3 uţṭate(ŠE) h̄īl(ILLU) ba-lu-hi	
	taṣammid(LAL) i-ba-šal	
iv 30	[ ] lab-ki taṣammidma(LAL-ma) ì-šárru(MAN) :	
iv 30a	DIŠ KI.MIN <i>lab-k</i> [ <i>i</i>	
iv 31	[ ] haṣab(ŠIKA) gul-gul amēlūti(LÚ.ULU.LU) tur-ár	
	tasâk(SÚD) [	
iv 32	x NAM ŠÁ NAM ina išāti(IZI) tur-ár tasâk(¡SÚD¡) [	
iv 33	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) [ ar(PA) lipāri(GIŠMI PÀ]R <sup>95</sup> kabūt	
	imēri(ŠURUN.ANŠE) x[ ]	
iv 34	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) ubānātu(ŠU.S[I.MEŠ) šēpēšu(GÌR.MIN)-šú	
iv 35	DIŠ KI.MIN ZÍD x [	
iv 36	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) ṣupra(UMBIN)-šú l[u na-da-at ]	
iv 37	lipî(Ì.UDU) maḥrî(IGI) immeri(UDU.NİTA) saḥ-lu-u e x [	
iv 38	ārib tâmti(BURU5 A.AB.BA) hīl(ILLU) baluḥḥi(ŠEMBULUḤ) NA4[	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>95</sup> Emendation is based on other references in this text. <sup>96</sup> A possible emendation.

iv 24	If the soles of a man's feet hurt him (with a stinging pain), sulphur [	
iv 25	If ditto: you mix sulphur and coral in oil. You [ ] the soles of his feet.	
iv 26	If a man [ ] he has scratched his feet or his finger with something and [ ]	
iv 27	[ ] is suppurating, if pus is coming out. You bandage (with a bandage of) <i>labku</i> -beer, <i>kasû</i> -plant, [ ]	
iv 28	[ ] <i>irrû</i> -plant, excrement of a pig, <i>billatu</i> -mixture for beer, (and) bitumen. It will suppurate (i.e. the pus will come out).	
iv 29	[ ] You bandage (with a bandage of) date, 3 <i>uttate</i> (=three-twentieths of a gram) of <i>baluḥḥu</i> -resin (and) bitumen. It will ripen (i.e. the pus will collect and come out).	
iv 30	[ ] you bandage with <i>labku</i> -beer and it will prosper. 97	
iv 31	[ ] You char and pound a fragment of a human skull	
iv 32	[ ] x you char in fire. You pound [ ]	
iv 33	If a man [ leaf of a $lip\bar{a}$ ] ru tree, excrement of a donkey [ ]	
iv 34	If a man's toes (lit, the fingers of his feet) [	
iv 35	If ditto: [	
iv 36	If a man's nail [has either fallen off or ]	
iv 37	Bone marrow from the foreleg (lit. fat) of a ram, saḥlû-cress-cress [	
iv 38	sea raven, resin of the <i>baluḫḫu</i> -plant, a stone [	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 97}\,$  In other words, the sore would open and pus would flow out.

iv 39	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) ṣupra(UMBIN)-šú lu na-da-at [	]
iv 40	lipî(Ì.UDU) kalīt(ÉLLAG) immeri(UDU.NÍTA) lipî(Ì.UDU) maḫrî(IGI)	
	immeri(UDU.NÍTA) <sup>98</sup> [	]
iv 41	tur-ár biṣṣūr atāni( <sup>NA4</sup> PEŠ4.ANŠE) ḫīl(ILLU) baluḫḫi( <sup>ŠEM</sup> B[ULUḪ]) [	]
iv 42	$sah$ -lé-e $qalati(BIL$ - $ti)^{99}u \times [$	
iv 43	šumma(DIŠ) amēlu(NA) ṣupra(UMBIN)-šú lu nadât(ŠUB) [	]
iv 44	lipî(Ì.UDU) maḥrî(IGI) immeri(UDU.NÍTA) saḥ-lé-[e] [	]
iv 45	hīl(ILLU) baluḥḥi(ŠEMBULUḤ) N[A4	]
iv 46	šumma(DIŠ) [	
(Text breaks off.)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>98</sup> *Lipû* here meaning "bone marrow" *CAD* L s.v.*lipû* 2, 204b. <sup>99</sup> Syllabic writing for logogram BIL in col. iii 31.

iv 39	If a man's nail has either fallen off or [	]
iv 40	You char liver fat from a sheep, bone marrow from the foreleg of a ram (lit.	
	fat), [and ]	
iv 41	Sea shell, resin of the <i>baluḥḥu</i> -plant, [	]
iv 42	roasted saḫlû-cress and [	]
iv 43	If a man's nail has either fallen off or [	]
iv 44	Bone marrow from the foreleg of a ram (lit. fat), saḥlû-cress [	]
iv 45	resin of the baluḫḫu-plant, a stone [	]
iv 46	If [a man ]	_
(Text brea	aks off.)	

#### **Abbreviations**

AMT R.C. Thompson, Assyrian Medical Texts from the Originals in the British

Museum

AOAT Alter Orient Altes Testament

ArOr Archiv Orientální

BAM Die babylonisch-assyrische Medizin in Texten und Untersuchungen

BiOr Bibliotheca Orientalis

CAD the Assyrian Dictionary of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago

Erimhuš Lexical Series Erim-huš = *anantu*, Materials for the Sumerian Lexicon 17

(MSL)

GAG Wolfram von Soden. Grundriss der Akkadischen Grammatik. 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised

Edition 1995

JCS Journal of Cuneiform Studies

KAR E. Ebeling, Keilschrifttexte aus Assur religiösen Inhalts (WVDOG 35)

KUB Keilschrifturkunden aus Boghazköi

RA Revue d'Assyriologie et d'Archéologie Orientale

STT O.R. Gurney, The Sultantepe Tablets I-II

UET Ur Excavations Texts

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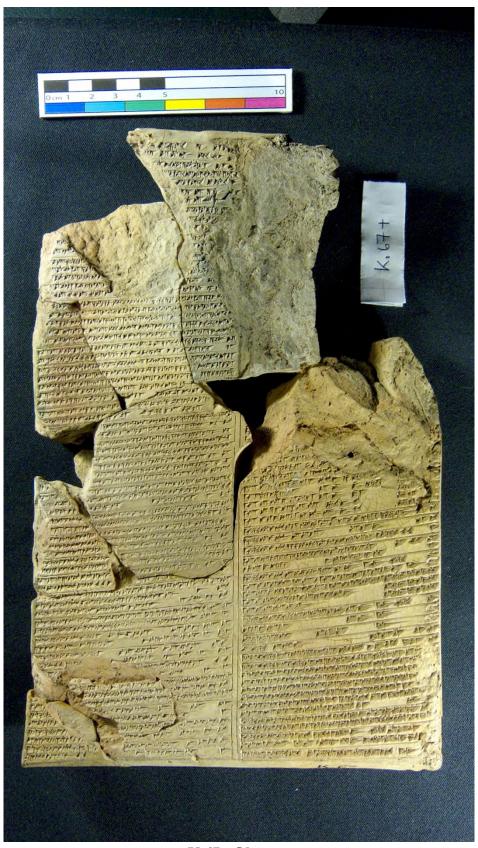
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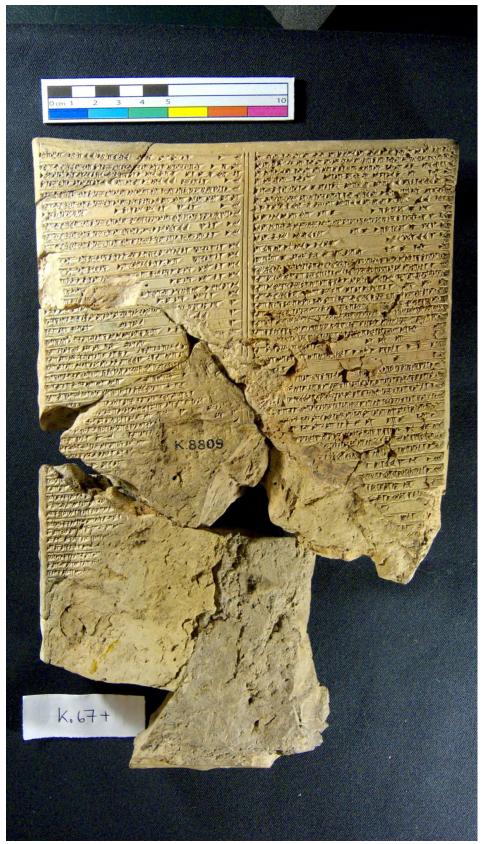
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K 67+ Obverse



K.67+ Reverse

# Fragments of the Nineveh Medical Composition IGI join UGU

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The year 2015 saw a French translation and commentary of the Nineveh medical composition on Sick Eyes (IGI). Notably, this work was prepared by the practicing Parisian ophthalmologist Annia Attia, and not by a conventional cuneiformist. Importantly, Attia has mastered cuneiform medical texts, and has worked on the publication for years (Attia 2015: 1).

Attia's work incrementally advances our understandings not only of Cuneiform Medicine, but also of Ancient Medicine, since it seriously questions the retrospective diagnosis of ancient terms (Attia 2015: 4). Retrospective diagnosis concerning diseases of the eye is deeply rooted in the works of such prominent scholars as Stol 1989, Fincke 2000 and Scurlock and Anderson 2005 (Attia 2015: 1), and Scurlock 2014. But, as Attia has stressed the ancient terms are too vague for a modern doctor, and more importantly the ancient terms suggest a too wide range of diagnosis. In other words, modern and ancient taxonomies are different. Once a scholar has realized this, there is no need to struggle for an exact retrospective diagnosis or exact identification of an ancient term, since such an approach can be misleading. The same applies in large extent to drug's names (Besnier et al. 2015: esp. 120f.). We can summarize the difference in ancient and modern taxonomies as following: *an ancient term could be explained by many modern terms, but never identified as the only one*.

Attia states that the IGI composition is the "la troisième sous-série du grand traité thérapeutique compilé sous Assurbanipal trouvé dans la bibliothèque de ce roi à Ninive" (Attia 2015: 2). But, we do not have a prove for this, since there is no relevant catch line from Nineveh. Also, the Ashur Medical Catalogue testifies medical compositions quite similar to the known Nineveh compositions, and IGI is the second medical composition on the Ashur Medical Catalogue (Panayotov, forthcoming). This arrangement was suspected by Köcher (1980: ix note 10), and does not come as a surprise, since IGI and UGU¹ share many common topics, and sick eyes' treatments are an important part of UGU 1², especially in the first column, and occasionally of UGU 2³. This similarity led to a misplacement of UGU fragments into IGI.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The UGU medical composition deals with sick and feverish head. I stress that with UGU, I designate only the first Medical composition from Nineveh: BAM 480 [tablet 1] with a catch-line to BAM 482 [tablet 2], which has a catch-line to AMT 102-105, 1 [tablet 3] (the eclectic copy of AMT 102-105 is built up from many duplicates, belonging to different manuscripts), which has a catch-line, presumably leading to CT 23, 50 [tablet 4], which has a catch-line to the not yet certain fifth tablet [could it be BAM 494?]. All together there are five tablets in the first series (see already CT 23, p. 5). Furthermore, with the term UGU, I do not refer to the whole Nineveh medical encyclopedia (from head to toe), or to later traditions from Babylon, Uruk or Sippar.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> BAM 480 is edited by Worthington 2005 with parallels, and reedited alone by Scurlock 2014: 306ff.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> BAM 482 is edited with parallels by Attia and Buisson 2003, 2007.

Let us take a look at the beginning of IGI tablet one. It has been proposed that K 10428(BAM 488) + K 16451(AMT 3/4), and presumably also K 14698<sup>4</sup> might belong to K 2573+(BAM 510) (Geller 1984: 293; Attia and Buisson 2007: 48; Attia 2015: 5). The script, the ductus, the horizontal dividing lines, the vertical dividing rulings (both done with twisted thread), all resemble those of BAM 510. Note, however, that K 10428(BAM 488) shows round holes into the middle dividing ruling. On the contrary BAM 510 does not show round holes there. Furthermore, the phraseology of K 10428(BAM 488) + 16451(AMT 3/4) fits perfectly the eye disease context. Therefore, Attia included the fragment K 10428(BAM 488) + 16451(AMT 3/4) on p. 6: §a-g and p. 11f.: §h-n. But, the phraseology of K 10428(BAM 488) + 16451(AMT 3/4) fits also the context of the Nineveh UGU, and in fact, the fragment, K 10428(BAM 488) + K 16451(AMT 3/4) joins K 2354+(BAM 480), see pic. 1.5 Thus, the fragment fills more text into the middle parts of K 2354+ i and ii.



Pic. 1 = K 2354+(BAM 480) ... + K 10428(BAM 488) + K 16451(AMT 3/4)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> K 14698 does not belong to K 10428 (BAM 488) + K 16451 [AMT 3/4], but rather parallels UGU 3, see K 4023 iii 20ff.' (eclectic copy on AMT 102-105, CDLI P395359), Thompson 1937: 32, and add BAM 486 iii 6ff.'. Additional parallels of the incantation én íd-da-ta (used alone without én ur-sag <sup>d</sup>asal-lú-hi) are the Late Babylonian tablets BAM 386 iii 7ff.', and SPTU 4 129 vi 30ff.'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> There is no need of a copy from good preserved Nineveh fragments, but photos. For the sake of convenience, relevant photos will be uploaded on the author's Academia webpage.

	First Column
28	[] you knead (it), ditto (=he should recover).
28	[] talâš ašar šanîmma <sup>6</sup>
i 28	[SI]LA <sub>11</sub> -aš 'KIMIN'
20	Vou nound beloubly and nosts [ ] (and) doub (big over)
29	You pound <i>kalgukku</i> -red paste [], (and) daub (his eyes).
29	kalgukku [] tasâk teqqi
i 29 -	<sup>im</sup> KA[L.GUGSÚ]D! te-qí
30	[You $dry^?$ ] one third litre of fig leaf(s) [] you knead (them) in the sap of a $kas\hat{u}$ -plant,
30	šuššān qa arti titti [tubbal?] ina mê kasî talâš
i 30	$1/3$ SÌLA PA giš PÈ [Š <sup>7</sup> HÁD.A <sup>?</sup> $in$ ] $a$ A GAZI sar SILA <sub>11</sub> - $a$ $\check{s}$
31	You again dry, crush [(and) sift you shave (his head)], you bandage (his head) and ditto (= and daub his eyes).
31	itârma tubbal tahaššal [tanappi tugallab] taṣammidma ašar šanîmma
i 31	GUR-ma HÁD.A G[AZ SIM SAR-a]b LAL-ma KIMIN
-	
32	[You] one third litre of $b\bar{u}\bar{s}\bar{a}nu$ -plant, one third litre of x [] and ditto
	(= and daub his eyes).
32	šuššān qa būšānu šuššān qa x [] -ma ašar šanîmma
i 32	1/3 SÌLA <sup>ú</sup> HAB 1/3 SÌLA x []- <i>'ma</i> KIMIN'
33	[You] horned <i>uhūlu</i> -alkali, [] you daub (his eyes).
55	[ 1 0 m. ] 10 m o w o w o w o w o w o w o w o w o w o

 $<sup>^6</sup>$  In accordance with Köcher's suggestion (1971: xxxii, BAM 417), modified without argumentation by Böck 2003: 170 etc., as  $a\check{s}ar\check{s}an\hat{i}m$ .

 $<sup>^{7}</sup>$  It is possible also to read PA  $^{\rm gi\$}$ MA.NU for  $arti\ \bar{e}ri\ {}^{\rm '}$ leaf(s) of  $\bar{e}ru$ -tree'.

33	uhūla qarnānâ [] teqqi
i 33	NAGA.S[I t]e- 'qí'
_	
34	[You] one third [] and ditto.
34	šuššān [] ašar šanîmma
i 34	1[/3] x 'KIMIN'
35	[] you daub (his eyes).
35	[] you daub (fils eyes).
i 35	[ te-q]i
i 36	[] x
i 37	[] x
i 38	completely broken
i 39	completely broken
40	[] you pound (and) daub (his eyes).
40	[] tasâk teqqi
i 40	[] 'SÚD' te-[qi]
	Second Column
27	[] you pound [] and heat (it) into a copper <i>tangussu</i> -kettle.
	[You] his head [()].
27	[] tasâk ina tangussi tubahhar qaqqassu []
ii 27	x [S]ÚD ina <sup>urudu</sup> ŠEN.TUR tu-ba-har SAG.DU-su []

28	[] you boil [] (and) ghee over charcoal []
28	[] himēta ina pēmti tušabšal []
ii 28 	[] x Ì.NUN.NA ina NE <sup>8</sup> ŠEG <sub>6</sub> -šal []
29	You boil [] <i>kukru</i> -aromatic [] <i>ballukku</i> -aromatic, myrrh, 'mud beer' (and) ghee over charcoal (and) [].
29	[] kukra [] ballukka murra šikar ṭīdi himēta ina pēmti tušabšal []
ii 29	[ šimGÚ]R. ĠÚR š[im/ú š]im MUG šimSES KAŠ <i>ţi-ţi</i> Ì.NUN.NA <i>ina</i> NE ŠEG6-š[al?]
30	<sup>31</sup> You mix together <sup>30</sup> one 'bread'-capacity gypsum, [multi-coloured <sup>?</sup> ] horned uhūlu-alkali, kibrītu-sulphur, human bone, bone, [],
30	ištēn <sup>?</sup> akal gaṣṣa uhūla qarnānâ [barma <sup>?</sup> ] kibrīt(a) eṣemti amēlūti eṣemta
ii 30	'1 <sup>°</sup> NINDA' IM.BABBAR NA[GA.SI IN.GÙN <sup>°</sup> ki]b-rit <sup>9</sup> GÌR.PAD.'DU' LÚ.U <sub>18</sub> .LU GÌR.PAD.DU 'kib ' <sup>10</sup> -r[it/tú <sup>°</sup> ]
31	naphtha (and) fish oil. [() You fumigate <sup>?</sup> ] his head over acacia charcoal (with the mixture).
31	napṭa šaman nūni ištēniš taballal [()] ina pēmṭi ašāgi qaqqassu [tuqattar²]
ii 31	Ì.HUL Ì KU <sub>6</sub> 1- $ni\check{s}$ H[E?.HE () $i$ ] $na$ NE $^{gi\check{s}}$ KIŠI <sub>16</sub> SAG.DU- $su$ [ $tu$ - $qat$ - $tar$ ?]

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See the discussion in Farber: 2014: 207.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The spelling *kib-rit* will be interpreted as an accusative and not as a status constructus, see Worthington 2005: 9: 74'; 17: 74', and Scurlock 2014: 310: 10; 322; for an interpretation of this spelling as an accusative see also Farber 2014: II 33. See also K 2354+(BAM 480) ii 10 [DIŠ NA<sup>?</sup> UG]U<sup>?</sup>-šú KÚM.KÚM-*em* IM.BABBAR NAGA.SI IN.GÙN *kib-rit* GÌR.PAD.DA NAGA.SI Ì.HUL Ì.KU<sub>6</sub>. Accordingly, we might tentatively restore IN.GÙN in the break after NAGA.SI. On the contrary, Worthington 2005: 9: 74', and Scurlock 2014: 310: 10 read NAGA.SI IN.DAR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> ANŠE? in Worthington 2005: 10: 94' and Scurlock 2014: 312: 30 is rather uncertain since the sign begins with two horizontal wedges [b2], presumably followed by two *Winkelhaken*'s [c2], and ending on two verticals above each other [a2]. The parameters of the sign would fit the sign KIB [a2b2c2], and not ANŠE. In addition, the shape of the sign is the same as *kib-rit* on K 2354+(BAM 480) ii 10. For the 'parameters' see Gottstein and Panayotov 2015.

The following incantation parallels: K 4023 (parts of AMT 104) = A E = B Sm 967 (BAM 486) = B

Incantation: may the temple (of the head) restore his temple (to health), may the eye [restore] his eye (to health)!

 $(A)^{12}$  iii 11' én sag-ki-ni sag-ki 'hé-en-gi<sub>4</sub>'-gi<sub>4</sub> i-NE-ni i-NE hé-en-g[i<sub>4</sub>'-gi<sub>4</sub>']

(B) ii 1' 'én sag'-k[i .....]

33 May the middle (of the head) restore his middle (to health)!

ii 33 mu-ru-ub-bi-n[i mu-ru-u]b-bi hé-en-g[i<sup>?</sup>-gi<sup>?</sup>]

(A) iii 12' mu-ru-ub-bi-ni mu-ru-u[b-bi h]é-'en-gi4-gi4'

(B) ii 2' 'mu'-ru-ub-bi-'ni' m[u- .....]

Let he be radiant; let he be radiant! [Incantation spell.]

ii 34 hé-en-da-a-na-m[ul-la hé-en-d]a- $^{\prime}$ a-na $^{\prime}$ -mul-la [(tu $_{6}$ .)en]

(A) iii 12' hé-bi-da-a-'na'-mul-la hé-en-d[a<sup>?</sup> ......]

35 ka'inimma [.....] uzaqqassu [...]

ii 35 KA.INIM.MA [......] x-'šú' ú-'zaq-qat'-[su ...]

Its ritual: you parch snake skin [...] you recite [...] (and) [you ....... his] cranium?.

36 kidkidbû qulēpti ṣēri turrar [.....] tamannu muhha<sup>?</sup>[...]

<sup>11</sup> An Emesal reading i-bí has no place here, thus i-NE is a pun of the Akkadian *īnu* 'eye'.

<sup>12</sup> The round brackets around the Manuscript's siglum designate that the text is a parallel, and no duplicate.

ii 36

The following lines have parallels in BAM 489+, as noted by Attia 2015: p. 12,  $\S$ m. There are, however new joins on CDLI P393804, see also Attia and Buisson 2007: 48. BAM 489 + = C (The exact placement of the fragmentary lines is uncertain).

37 Incantation: the pure 'divine order' is distant [...] ... the pure 'divine order' is a [...], ii 37 ÉN me kù-ga ba-da-r[a .....] x-uh me kù-ga [...] (C) i' 9f.' ÉN me kù-ga ba-d[a- ....] / me kù-ga iz-zi 38 the 'divine order' is removed, the 'divine order' is ..., [...] angry [...]. Restore (to health) [Incantation spell.] me zi-zi<sup>13</sup> me še- $^{r}$ ra<sup>14</sup> $^{r}$  š $[e^{?}$ .....h]a $^{!}$  gi<sub>4</sub>-gi<sub>4</sub> $[(tu_{6}.)en]$ ii 38 [.....] / hu-luh-ha<sup>15</sup> [.....] (C) i' 10f.' 39 39 *šiptu pûšu kīma pî lā* [..... *kī*]*ma pîšu* ... [...] ii 39 ÉN KA-*šu* GIN<sub>7</sub> K[A .....]<sup>16</sup> (C) i' 12'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> If the parallels are rightly placed there is a word play between iz-zi and zi-zi.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Pace the copy of BAM 488, there is a clear RA on the tablet. Also, še-ra might stay for še-ri.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Note that hu-luh-ha appears together with iz-zi 'wave' (lexical section in CAD A/1, under *agû* B, and CAD G under *galtu* 'angry'), iz-zi is also mentioned in the previous line.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Similar rubric as on C might have also been preserved on UGU 1.

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