## Ancient Anaesthesia

- AD 150, Heron of Alexandria described the first medical piston and barrel syringe.
- AD 250, Hua T'o, a Chinese military surgeon, used Indian hemp (hashish) to render patients unconscious for surgery.
- AD 427, A herbal drug "Sammohini" has been described. Laparotomy with patient standing and tied to a pillar. (Described by King Raja Bhoj in his writing Bhoj Probhand).