Coronavirus (Covid-19) Treatment with TCM in China

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- FREE Webinar: How Coronavirus (Covid-19) is treated with TCM in China by John K Chen
- Powerpoint Download: How Coronavirus (Covid-19) is treated with TCM in China by John K Chen

REFERENCE: Formula Chart

- COVID-19 Formula Charts 3/18/2019 Update
- COVID-19 Formula Charts 3/17/2019

eLotus Articles

- eLotus Article 1 - English: How COVID-19 (2019-nCoV) is Currently Treated in China with TCM
- eLotus Article 1 - Italian: Come il COVID-19 (2019-nCoV) è trattato attualmente in Cina con la MTC
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- eLotus Article 3 - English: Medical Records from a Young and Brave Female Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) doctor on Fighting the COVID-19

https://www.elotus.org/content/tcm-resources-covid-19
Video
- Interview: Exclusive 30 Min. Video Interview with A Front Line TCM Doc in Wuhan (in Mandarin with English subtitles)

PRC OFFICIAL RECOMMENDATION: Handbook of COVID-19 Prevention and Treatment
- English: Handbook of COVID-19 Prevention and Treatment, The First Affiliated Hospital, Zhejiang University School of Medicine - Compiled According to Clinical Experience 3/10/2020
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- Chinese 7th Edition
- English 7th Edition Draft
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- Prevention and treatment of viral respiratory infections by traditional Chinese herbs
- Clinical predictors of mortality due to COVID-19 based on an analysis of data of 150 patients from Wuhan, China
- The Use of an Herbal Formula by Hospital Care Workers During the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Epidemic in Hong Kong to Prevent Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Transmission, Relieve Influenza-Related Symptoms, and Improve Quality of Life: A Prospective Cohort Study
- Toona sinensis Roem tender leaf extract Inhibits SARS coronavirus replication

REFERENCE: WHO Report

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Biology

- Coronavirus is an RNA virus
- SARS-CoV causes SARS.
- 96% genome identity

- https://emcrit.org/ibcc/covid19/?fbclid=IwAR31Xy-vkhL39xSWNAqkx3fECRR2yQLVbyWD2EOODG7FYv2WXqdQm7Lu_U#biology
Clinical Manifestation

• Incubation: 2-14 days
• Resp s/sx: fever, dry cough, sneezing, runny nose, sputum production, nasal congestion, shortness of breath, lethargy, muscle pain, headache and dehydration.
• GI s/sx: 5-10% of patients can present initially with diarrhea or nausea, *before* fever and dyspnea

Pathophysiology

• Cytokine storm: The coronavirus causes uncontrolled / dysfunctional immune response, leading to an overproduction of immune cells and their signaling molecules, resulting in a cytokine storm with a flood of immune cells into the lung.

• S/Sx include: severe inflammatory disease, shortness of breath, inflammation of the airway, and finally acute respiratory distress syndrome and multiple organ failure.

  • https://www.the-scientist.com/news-opinion/why-some-covid-19-cases-are-worse-than-others-67160
Pathophysiology

• In addition to hyper-inflammatory injury, the lung suffers physical injuries (diffuse alveolar damage, including hyaline membranes) and physiological compromises (wheezing, shortness of breath, etc).

Biopsy

- “Edema, proteinaceous exudate, focal reactive hyperplasia of pneumocytes with patchy inflammatory cellular infiltration, and multinucleated giant cells. Fibroblastic plugs were noted in airspaces.”

WM Diagnosis

- Signs and symptoms evaluation
- Nasopharyngeal swab
- Chest x-ray and CT scan
WM Diagnosis

- Lymphopenia is common, seen in ~80% of patients.
- Mild thrombocytopenia is common (but platelets are rarely <100). Lower platelet count is a poor prognostic sign.

- Ruan Q et al. Clinical predictors of mortality due to COVID-19 based on an analysis of data of 150 patients from Wuhan, China. Intensive Care Med https://doi.org/10.1007/s00134-020-05991-x
WM Treatment

- Acetaminophen, aspirin, ibuprofen
- Antiviral: remdesivir, lopinavir, ritonavir.
- Chloroquine
- Steroids
- Immunosuppressant
- Ventilator
- ECMO
WM Treatment

- Convalescent plasma
- Convalescent sera

Johns Hopkins University.
https://hub.jhu.edu/2020/03/13/covid-19-antibody-sera-arturo-casadevall/
WM Treatment

• “Vaccine for Covid-19 won’t be deployed for at least 1 to 1.5 years.”
  – March 3, 2020

Anthony S. Fauci, M.D.,
Director of NAID (National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases)
Prognosis

- Up to 70% of people get Covid-19.
- Most patients have mild illness. They don’t require medical attention and aren't counted.
- The vast majority of infected patients (e.g. >80%) *don't* get significantly ill and *don't* require hospitalization.
- Individuals under 18 years of age make up only 2.4% of all reported cases.
- Individuals over 60 years of age, with pre-existing health conditions, have the highest risks.

Prognosis

• Among hospitalized patients: ~10-20% of patients are admitted to ICU.
• ~3-10% require intubation.
• ~2-5% die.

Prognosis

- Patients who survive the initial phases of the illness may still require prolonged ventilator support (due to pulmonary fibrosis).
- As the epidemic progresses, an issue which may arise is a large volume of patients unable to wean from mechanical ventilation.

TCM and Epidemic Diseases

- There have been over 320 large-scale epidemics in China between Eastern Han and Qing Dynasty (approximately 2,000 years).
张仲景 Zhāng Zhòng-Jǐng, 150-219 CE

- Shang Han 伤寒
- (Cold-Induced Disorders)
  - Taiyang
  - Yangming
  - Shaoyang
  - Taiyin
  - Shaoyin
  - Jueyin
叶桂 Yè Guì, 1666-1745

- *Wen Bing* 温病 (Warm Disease):
  - *wei* (defensive) level
  - *qi* (energy) level
  - *ying* (nutritive) level
  - *xue* (blood) level
TCM Pattern Differentiation

- Taiyang
- Yangming
- Shaoyang
- Taiyin
- Shaoyin
- Jueyin

- Wei (defensive) level
- Qi (energy) level
- Ying (nutritive) level
- Xue (blood) level
TCM Diagnosis

• Early S/Sx: Fever, dry cough, sneezing, runny nose, nasal congestion, shortness of breath, lethargy, muscle pain, headache and dehydration.

• Taiyang
  – Wind-heat
  – Wind-cold

• Wei (defensive) level
TCM Diagnosis

- Lymphopenia is common, seen in ~80% of patients.
- Mild thrombocytopenia is common.
- Qi deficiency
- Blood deficiency

Ruan Q et al. Clinical predictors of mortality due to COVID-19 based on an analysis of data of 150 patients from Wuhan, China. Intensive Care Med https://doi.org/10.1007/s00134-020-05991-x
TCM Diagnosis

- S/Sx: severe inflammatory disease, shortness of breath, inflammation of the airway
- Yangming
- Qi (energy) level
TCM Diagnosis

• “Edema, proteinaceous exudate, focal reactive hyperplasia of pneumocytes with patchy inflammatory cellular infiltration, and multinucleated giant cells. Fibroblastic plugs were noted in airspaces.”

• Damp and phlegm in the Lung
  – Lung heat, with
  – Lung cold, with
TCM Diagnosis

- S/Sx: cytokine storm leading to acute respiratory distress syndrome and multiple organ failure.
  - Shaoyang
  - Taiyin
  - Shaoyin
  - Jueyin

- *Ying* (nutritive) level
- *Xue* (blood) level
TCM Diagnosis

- In addition to hyper-inflammatory injury, the lung suffers physical injuries (diffuse alveolar damage, including hyaline membranes) and physiological compromises (wheezing, shortness of breath, etc).

- Lung yin deficiency
- Lung qi deficiency
TCM Diagnosis

- Patients who survive the initial phases of the illness may still require prolonged ventilator support (due to pulmonary fibrosis).
- Lung yin deficiency
- Lung qi deficiency
TCM and Covid-19

• More than 85% of all patients with coronavirus, approximately 60,000 people, received herbal treatment along with western medicine treatments, as of late February 2020.

• Ministry of Science and Technology, China.
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  – Prevention Phase: 预防期
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• **Prevention Phase:** 预防期

• **Early Phase:** 流感期
  – Wind-Cold Invading the Exterior 风寒袭表证
  – Toxic Heat Attacking the Lung 热毒袭肺证
  – Damp Cold in the Lung 湿寒鬱肺

• **Pneumonia Phase:** 肺炎期
  – *Shaoyang* Syndrome with Damp 少阳夹湿证
  – Damp Heat Afflicting the Lung 湿热郁肺证
  – Toxic Stagnation Obstructing the Lung 毒瘀壅肺证
  – Closed Interior and Abandoned Exterior Syndrome 内闭外脱证

• **Recovery Phase:** 恢复期
Prevention Phase: 预防期

- *Huang Qi* 黄芪 (Radix Astragali) 15g
- *Bai Zhu* 炒白术 (Rhizoma Atractylodis Macrocephalae), dry fried 10g
- *Fang Feng* 防风 (Radix Sapolshnikoviae) 10g
- *Mian Ma Guan Zhong* 绵马贯众 (Rhizoma Dryopteridis Crassirhizomatis) 10g
- *Jin Yin Hua* 金银花 (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae) 10g
- *Chen Pi* 陈皮 (Pericarpium Citri Reticulatae) 6g
- *Pei Lan* 佩兰 (Herba Eupatorii) 10g
Prevention Phase: 防疫期

- Bilateral Zusanli (ST 36), Qihai (CV 6), Zhongwan (CV 12)
  - Moxa Zusanli (ST 36) on both sides for 15 minutes. Moxa Qihai (CV 6) or Zhongwan (CV 12) for 10 minutes. (alternating from treatment to treatment).
  - Twice a day, once in the afternoon and once at night.
Early Phase: 流感期

- Wind-Cold Invading Exterior 风寒袭表证
- Toxic Heat Attacking the Lung 热毒袭肺证
- Damp Cold in the Lung 湿寒鬱肺
Early Phase:
- Wind-Cold Invading the Exterior

- **S/Sx:** Onset of fever (mostly low-grade fever), aversion to cold, chills, headache, ticklish throat, soreness of muscles of limbs, no sweat or night sweats.
- **Exam:** Lung CT negative. Tongue is pale, coating is white and thin. Floating pulse
- **Treatment:** Expel Wind, Release the Exterior; Clear Heat, Detoxify
Early Phase:
- Wind-Cold Invading the Exterior

- 葛根汤 or 柴葛解肌汤
- Ge Gen Tang (Kudzu Decoction) or Chai Ge Jie Ji Tang (Bupleurum and Kudzu Decoction to Release the Muscle Layer)
Early Phase:
- Wind-Cold Invading the Exterior

- *Ge Gen* 葛根 (Radix Puerariae Lobatae) 15g
- *Ma Huang* 麻黄 (Herba Ephedrae) 10g
- *Gui Zhi* 桂枝 (Ramulus Cinnamomi) 6g
- *Bai Shao* 白芍 (Radix Paeoniae Alba) 15g
- *Sheng Jiang* 生姜 (Rhizoma Zingiberis Recens) 10g
- *Gan Cao* 生甘草 (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae) 10g
- *Da Zao* 大枣 (Fructus Jujubae) 10g
- *Jin Yin Hua* 金银花 (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae) 20g
  - with headache, add *Bai Zhi* 白芷 (Radix Angelicae Dahuricae) 15g
  - with dry or ticklish throat, add *She Gan* 射干 (Rhizoma Belamcandae) 15g
Early Phase:
- Toxic Heat Attacking the Lung

- **S/Sx:** Fever, aversion to cold, sore and dry throat, dry cough, scanty sputum, sore and painful muscles in the limbs, weakness, headache

- **Exam:** CT scan reveals both lungs to have scattered ground-glass opacity (GGO). Tip and sides of the tongue are red; thin white or yellow tongue coating. Floating and rapid pulse.

- **Treatment:** Expel Wind, Release the Exterior; Clear Heat, Detoxify
Early Phase:
- Toxic Heat Attacking the Lung

• 银翘散加清瘟败毒散加减
• *Yin Qiao San* (Honeysuckle and Forsythia Powder) and *Qing Wen Bai Du San* (Clear Epidemics and Overcome Pathogenic Influences Powder), modified
Early Phase:
- Toxic Heat Attacking the Lung

- Jin Yin Hua 金银花 (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae) 10g
- Lian Qiao 连翘 (Fructus Forsythiae) 10g
- Jing Jie 荆芥 (Herba Schizonepetae) 10g
- Niu Bang Zi 牛蒡子 (Fructus Arctii) 10g
- Bo He 薄荷 (Herba Menthae) 10g
- Gan Cao 生甘草 (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae) 10g
- Dan Zhu Ye 淡竹叶 (Herba Lophatheri) 10g
- Lu Gen 芦根 (Rhizoma Phragmitis) 15g
- Huang Lian 黄连 (Rhizoma Coptidis) 6g
Early Phase:
- Damp Cold in the Lung

- **S/Sx**: Aversion to cold, fever or absence of fever, dry cough, dry throat, fatigue, weakness, chest stuffiness, epigastric distention, nausea, diarrhea.

- **Exam**: Pale tongue, white greasy coating, slippery pulse.

- **Treatment**: Expel Wind, Release the Exterior; Dispel Damp Cold
Early Phase:
- Damp Cold in the Lung

- *Cang Zhu* 蒼朮 (*Rhizoma Atractylodis*) 15g
- *Chen Pi* 陳皮 (*Pericarpium Citri Reticulatae*) 10g
- *Hou Po* 厚樸 (*Cortex Magnoliae Officinalis*) 10g
- *Huo Xiang* 藿香 (*Herba Pogostemonis*) 10g
- *Cao Guo* 草果 (*Fructus Tsaoko*) 6g
- *Ma Huang* 生麻黃 (*Herba Ephedrae*) 6g
- *Qiang Huo* 羌活 (*Rhizoma et Radix Notopterygii*) 10g
- *Sheng Jiang* 生薑 (*Rhizoma Zingiberis Recens*) 10g
- *Bing Lang* 檳榔 (*Semen Arecae*) 10g
Early Phase:

• Bilateral *Hegu* (LI 4), *Taichong* (LR 3), *Zusanli* (ST 36), *Shenque* (CV 8)
  – Moxa *Hegu* (LI 4) and *Taichong* (LR 3) bilaterally for 15 minutes. Moxa *Zusanli* (ST 36) bilaterally for 10 minutes. Moxa *Shenque* (CV 8) with a moxa box for 15 minutes.
  – Twice a day, once in the morning and once in the afternoon.
Pneumonia Phase: 肺炎期

- Shaoyang Syndrome w/ Damp 少阳夹湿证
- Damp Heat Afflicting the Lung 湿热郁肺证
- Toxic Stagnation Obst the Lung 毒瘀壅肺证
- Closed Interior / Abandoned Exterior Syndrome 内闭外脱证
Pneumonia Phase:
- Shaoyang Syndrome with Damp

- **S/Sx:** Fever, which is more pronounced in the afternoon, alternating chills with fever, cough, absence of wheezing, bitter taste in the mouth, dry mouth, chest stuffiness, stifling sensation, chest and hypochondriac fullness and distention, irritability, nausea or vomiting, no appetite, weakness. Similar to the beginning stage of pneumonia.

- **Exam:** CT scan reveals both lungs to have multiple scattered or large pieces of ground-glass opacity (GGO). Slightly red tongue, thick and greasy, white or yellow coating, slippery, rapid pulse.

- **Treatment:** Harmonize Shaoyang Syndrome, Clear Damp-Heat
Pneumonia Phase:
- Shaoyang Syndrome with Damp

- 小柴胡汤合三仁汤或甘露消毒丹
- *Xiao Chai Hu Tang* (Minor Bupleurum Decoction) with *San Ren Tang* (Three-Nut Decoction) or *Gan Lu Xiao Du Dan* (Sweet Dew Special Pill to Eliminate Toxins)
Pneumonia Phase:
- Shaoyang Syndrome with Damp

- *Chai Hu* 柴胡 (Radix Bupleuri) 24g
- *Huang Qin* 黄芩 (Radix Scutellariae) 9g
- *Sheng Jiang* 生姜 (Rhizoma Zingiberis Recens) 10g
- *Fa Ban Xia* 法夏 (Rhizoma Pinelliae) 12g
- *Ku Xing Ren* 杏仁 (Semen Armeniacae Amarum) 15g
- *Bai Dou Kou* 白豆蔻 (Fructus Amomi Rotundus) 10g
- *Yi Yi Ren* 薏苡仁 (Semen Coicis) 30g
- *Dan Zhu Ye* 竹叶 (Herba Lophatheri) 15g
- *Hua Shi* 滑石 (Talcum) 15g
- *Tu Fu Ling* 土茯苓 (Rhizoma Smilacis Glabrae) 30g
- *Gan Cao* 生甘草 (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae) 10g
Pneumonia Phase:
- Damp Heat Afflicting the Lung

- **S/Sx:** Low-grade fever or absence of fever, dry cough, scanty sputum, dry and sore throat, fatigue, weakness, poor appetite, chest stuffiness, epigastric distention, nausea or vomiting, loose stool.

- **Exam:** CT scan reveals both lungs to have multiple scattered or large pieces of ground-glass opacity (GGO). Pale or pink, puffy tongue with teeth marks. White or greasy white coating. Soft or slippery pulse.

- **Treatment:** Transform Dampness, Detoxify; Disperse the Lungs and Expel Pathogens
Pneumonia Phase:
- Damp Heat Afflicting the Lung

• 麻杏薏甘汤、小陷胸汤、草果知母汤
• *Ma Xing Yi Gan Tang* (Ephedra, Apricot Kernel, Coicis, and Licorice Decoction), *Xiao Xian Xiong Tang* (Minor Sinking into the Chest Decoction) and *Cao Guo Zhi Mu Tang* (Tsaoko and Anemarrhena Decoction)
Pneumonia Phase:
- Damp Heat Afflicting the Lung

- **Ma Huang** 麻黄 (Herba Ephedrae) 10g
- **Ku Xing Ren** 杏仁 (Semen Armeniacae Amarum) 10g
- **Yi Yi Ren** 薏苡仁 (Semen Coicis) 30g
- **Huang Lian** 黃連 (Rhizoma Coptidis) 6g
- **Fa Ban Xia** 法夏 (Rhizoma Pinelliae) 10g
- **Gua Lou Pi** 瓜蒌皮 (Pericarpium Trichosanthis) 10g
- **Cao Guo** 草果 (Fructus Tsaoko) 10g
- **Zhi Mu** 知母 (Rhizoma Anemarrhenae) 10g
- **Yu Xing Cao** 魚腥草 (Herba Houttuyniae) 15g
- **Gan Cao** 生甘草 (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae) 10g
- **Bai Dou Kou** 白豆蔻 (Fructus Amomi Rotundus) 9g
Pneumonia Phase:
- Toxic Stagnation Obstructing the Lung

- **S/Sx** Cough, stifling sensation, stuffiness and distention in the chest, asthma and wheezing that worsens with exertion, accelerated respiration, thirst, irritability, reddish yellow urine.

- **Exam:** CT scan reveals both lungs to have multiple scattered or large pieces of ground-glass opacity (GGO). Fibrotic changes of the lung are also visible. Dark purplish tongue, yellow dry tongue coating or thick and greasy yellow coating, rapid, slippery pulse.

- **Treatment:** Detoxify, Arrest Wheezing; Transform Blood Stasis and Open Collaterals
Pneumonia Phase:
- Toxic Stagnation Obstructing the Lung

- 白虎汤加人参汤合四土汤
- *Bai Hu Jia Ren Shen Tang* (White Tiger plus Ginseng Decoction) with *Si Tu Tang* (Four Wild Decoction)
Pneumonia Phase:
- Toxic Stagnation Obstructing the Lung

- Shi Gao 石膏 (Gypsum Fibrosum) 30g
- Zhi Mu 知母 (Rhizoma Anemarrhenae) 10g
- Shan Yao 山药 (Rhizoma Dioscoreae) 15g
- Xi Yang Shen 西洋参 (Radix Panacis Quinquefolii) 5g
- Tu Fu Ling 土茯苓 (Rhizoma Smilacis Glabrae) 30g
- Tu Da Huang 土大黄 (Radix Rumicis Obtusifolii) 10g
- Tu Bei Mu 土贝母 (Rhizoma Bolbostemmatris) 10g
- Tu Niu Xi 土牛膝 (Rhizoma Achyranthes Sylvestris) 10g
- Tu Bie Chong 土鳖 (Eupolyphaga seu Steleophaga) 10g
- Su Mu 苏木 (Lignum Sappan) 10g
- Ju Luo 橘络 (Vascular Citri Reticulatae) 15g
- Lai Fu Zi 莱菔子 (Semen Raphani) 20g
- Ting Li Zi 葶苈子 (Semen Descurainiae seu Lepidii) 15g
- Si Gua Luo 丝瓜络 (Retinervus Luffae Fructus) 30g
Pneumonia Phase:
- Closed Interior / Abandoned Exterior Syndrome

- **S/Sx:** Mental incoherence, irritability, burning or heat sensation in the chest and abdomen, cold extremities, accelerated respiration and need for assisted breathing, scarlet purple tongue, dry yellow or yellowish brown coating, floating, forceful pulse that is empty in the deep level, or rootless.

- **Treatment:** Open the Closed, Consolidate the Abandoned, Detoxify, Rescue Reversal
Pneumonia Phase:
- Closed Interior / Abandoned Exterior Syndrome

• 四逆加人参汤、送服安宫牛黄丸、紫雪散
• Si Ni Jia Ren Shen Tang (Frigid Extremities Decoction plus Ginseng), taken with An Gong Niu Huang Wan (Calm the Palace Pill with Cattle Gallstone) and Zi Xue San (Purple Snow Powder)
Pneumonia Phase:
- Closed Interior / Abandoned Exterior Syndrome

- *Ren Shen* 人参 (Radix et Rhizoma Ginseng) 10g
- *Fu Zi* 制附子 (Radix Aconiti Lateralis Praeparata) 10g
- Serve with *An Gong Niu Huang Wan* (Calm the Palace Pill with Cattle Gallstone) and *Zi Xue San* (Purple Snow Powder).
Recovery Phase: 恢复期

- **S/Sx:** Absence of fever, dry cough, chest stuffiness, shortness of breath, shortness of breath upon exertion, dry mouth, weakness.
- **Exam:** CT reveals inflammation begins to subside as well as pulmonary interstitial changes. Pale red tongue, thick or greasy coating, thread, rapid pulse.
- **Treatment:** Tonify Qi, Nourish Yin, Tonify Lung and Open the Collaterals.
Recovery Phase: 恢复期

- 沙参麦门冬汤
- *Sha Shen Mai Dong Tang* (Glehnia and Ophiopogonidis Decoction)
Recovery Phase: 恢复期

- Sha Shen 沙参 (Radix Glehniae seu Adenophorae) 15g
- Mai Dong 麦冬 (Radix Ophiopogonis) 15g
- Wu Wei Zi 五味子 (Fructus Schisandraceae Chinensis) 15g
- Ren Shen 人参 (Radix et Rhizoma Ginseng) 12g
- Lai Fu Zi 莱菔子 (Semen Raphani) 15g
- Si Gua Luo 丝瓜络 (Retinervus Luffae Fructus) 15g
- Ju Luo 橘络 (Vascular Citri Reticulatae) 15g
- Zi Su Zi 苏子 (Fructus Perillae) 12g
- Zhe Bei Mu 浙贝 (Bulbus Fritillariae Thunbergii) 12g
- Ku Xing Ren 杏仁 (Semen Armeniacae Amarum) 12g
- Huang Qin 黄芩 (Radix Scutellariae) 15g
- Gan Cao 生甘草 (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae) 10g
Recovery Phase: 恢复期

  - Moxa all points for 15 minutes.
  - Once a day.
武汉协和医院关于“新冠”中医防治方案（第三版）
Wuhan Union Hospital 武汉协和医院

- Prevention 预防
- Wind-Heat Invading the Exterior Syndrome 风热袭表证
- Damp Warmth in Early Phase 湿温初期
- Damp Heat Obstructing the Lung Syndrome 湿热壅肺证
- Epidemic Toxins Blocking the Lung 疫毒闭肺证
- Closed Interior and Abandoned Exterior 内闭外脱
- Insufficiency of qi and yin, Deficiency of Lung and Spleen. 气阴不足，肺脾两虚
Prevention 防预

- *Huang Qi* 生黄芪 (Radix Astragali) 12g
- *Bai Zhu* 白术 (Rhizoma Atractylodis Macrocephalae) 9g
- *Fang Feng* 防风 (Radix Saposhnikoviae) 6g
- *Bei Sha Shen* 北沙参 (Radix Glehniae) 10g
- *Mian Ma Guan Zhong* 贯众 (Rhizoma Dryopteridis Crassirhizomatis) 10g
- *Lian Qiao* 连翘 (Fructus Forsythiae) 10g
- *Yu Xing Cao* 鱼腥草 (Herba Houttuyniae) 15g
- *Jie Geng* 桔梗 (Radix Platycodonis) 10g
- *Gan Cao* 甘草 (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae) 5g
- *Cang Zhu* 苍术 (Rhizoma Atractylodis) 10g
- *Yi Yi Ren* 薏苡仁 (Semen Coicis) 30g
- *Guang Huo Xiang* 藿香 (Herba Pogostemonis) 5g
- *Fu Shen* 茯神 (Poria Paradicis) 15g
Wind-Heat Invading Exterior Syndrome

风热袭表证

- S/sx: headache, sore throat, cough, thick tongue coating, red tongue tip
Wind-Heat Invading Exterior Syndrome

- *Jin Yin Hua* 金银花 (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae) 15g
- *Lian Qiao* 连翘 (Fructus Forsythiae) 10g
- *Bo He* 薄荷 (Herba Menthae) 5g
- *Niu Bang Zi* 牛蒡子 (Fructus Arctii) 10g
- *Ban Xia* 法半夏 (Rhizoma Pinelliae) 10g
- *Chai Hu* 柴胡 (Radix Bupleuri) 10g
- *Huang Qin* 黄芩 (Radix Scutellariae) 10g
- *Ban Lan Gen* 板蓝根 (Radix Isatidis) 15g
- *Jie Geng* 桔梗 (Radix Platycodonis) 10g
- *Gan Cao* 甘草 (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae) 6g

- *Xuan Shen* 玄参 (Radix Scrophulariae) 15g
- *She Gan* 射干 (Rhizoma Belamcandae) 10g
- *Fang Feng* 防风 (Radix Saponshnikoviae) 10g
- *Ku Xing Ren* 苦杏仁 (Semen Armeniacae Amarum) 10g
- *Qiang Huo* 羌活 (Rhizoma et Radix Notopterygii) 10g
- *Cang Zhu* 苍术 (Rhizoma Atractylodis) 10g
- *Dou Kou* 蓙仁 (Fructus Amomi Rotundus) 6g
Damp Warmth in Early Phase 濕溫初期

- S/sx: muscle aches and pain, poor appetite, low grade fever, thick tongue coating
Damp Warmth in Early Phase 濁溫初期

- **Jin Yin Hua** 金银花 (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae) 25g
- **Lian Qiao** 连翘 (Fructus Forsythiae) 15g
- **Sheng Ma** 升麻 (Rhizoma Cimicifugae) 25g
- **Dang Gui** 当归 (Radix Angelicae Sinensis) 15g
- **Ban Xia** 法半夏 (Rhizoma Pinelliae) 10g
- **Ju Hong** 橘红 (Exocarpium Citri Rubrum) 10g
- **Fu Ling** 茯苓 (Poria) 15g
- **Cang Zhu** 苍术 (Rhizoma Atractylodis) 15g
- **Da Fu Pi** 大腹皮 (Pericarpium Arecae) 15g
- **Chai Hu** 柴胡 (Radix Bupleuri) 10g
- **Huang Qin** 黄芩 (Radix Scutellariae) 15g
- **Ku Xing Ren** 杏仁 (Semen Armeniacae Amarum) 10g
- **Guang Huo Xiang** 藿香 (Herba Pogostemonis) 10g
- **Hou Po** 厚朴 (Cortex Magnoliae Officinalis) 6g
- **She Gan** 射干 (Rhizoma Belamcandae) 10g
- **Zhi Qiao** 枳壳 (Fructus Aurantii) 10g
- **Zhu Ru** 竹茹 (Caulis Bambusae in Taenia) 10g
- **Ma Huang** 炙麻黄 (Herba Ephedrae), honey-baked 6g
- **Hong Jing Tian** 红景天 (Radix et Rhizoma Rhodiola Crenulatae) 10g
Damp Heat Obstructing Lung Syndrome

湿熱壅肺証

- S/sx: dry cough, shortness of breath
Damp Heat Obstructing Lung Syndrome
湿热壅肺証

- **Sang Bai Pi** 桑白皮 (Cortex Mori) 15g
- **Chuan Bei Mu** 川贝 (Bulbus Fritillariae Cirrhosae) 10g
- **Bai Bu** 百部 (Radix Stemonae) 10g
- **Yu Xing Cao** 鱼腥草 (Herba Houttuyniae) 30g
- **Lian Qiao** 连翘 (Fructus Forsythiae) 15g
- **Bai Jiang Cao** 败酱草 (Herba cum Radice Patriniae) 15g
- **Yi Yi Ren** 薏苡仁 (Semen Coicis) 15g
- **Mai Dong** 麦冬 (Radix Ophiopogonis) 15g
- **Lu Gen** 芦根 (Rhizoma Phragmitis) 25g
- **Dong Gua Zi** 冬瓜仁 (Semen Benincasae) 10g
- **Jie Geng** 桔梗 (Radix Platycodonis) 10g
- **Ku Xing Ren** 苦杏仁 (Semen Armeniacae Amarum) 10g
- **Chai Hu** 柴胡 (Radix Bupleuri) 10g
- **Huang Qin** 黄芩 (Radix Scutellariae) 15g
- **Hou Po** 厚朴 (Cortex Magnoliae Officinalis) 10g
- **Hong Jing Tian** 红景天 (Radix et Rhizoma Rhodiolae Crenulatae) 15g
- **Sheng Ma** 升麻 (Rhizoma Cimicifugae) 30g
- **Dang Gui** 当归 (Radix Angelicae Sinensis) 25g
- **Bing Lang** 槟榔 (Semen Arecae) 10g
- **Cao Guo** 草果 (Fructus Tsaoko) 6g
- **Zhi Mu** 知母 (Rhizoma Anemarrhenae) 10g
- **Bai Shao** 芍药 (Radix Paeoniae Alba) 10g
- **Chao San Xian** 炒三仙: **Shen Qu** (Massa Medicata Fermentata), **Shan Zha** (Fructus Crataegi) and **Mai Ya** (Fructus Hordei Germinatus), blend & dry-fry together 20g
Epidemic Toxins Blocking the Lung
疫毒闭肺证

• S/sx: fever, severe breathing difficulties, wheezing, severe hypoxemia, dark red tongue, thick tongue coating
Epidemic Toxins Blocking the Lung
疫毒闭肺证

- Ting Li Zi 葶苈子 (Semen Descurainiae seu Lepidii) 15g
- Ma Huang 炙麻黄 (Herba Ephedrae), honey-fried 10g
- Sheng Ma 升麻 (Rhizoma Cimicifugae) 30g
- Dang Gui 当归 (Radix Angelicae Sinensis) 25g
- Lu Gen 芦根 (Rhizoma Phragmitis) 25g
- Yi Yi Ren 薏米仁 (Semen Coicis) 30g
- Dong Gua Zi 冬瓜仁 (Semen Benincasae) 15g
- Tao Ren 桃仁 (Semen Persicae) 12g
- Ban Xia 法半夏 (Rhizoma Pinelliae) 10g
- Gua Lou Pi 瓜萎皮 (Pericarpium Trichosanthis) 15g
- Cang Zhu 苍术 (Rhizoma Atractylodis) 15g
- Jie Geng 桔梗 (Radix Platycodonis) 10g
- Jiang Huang 姜黄 (Rhizoma Curcumae Longae) 10g
- Chan Tui 蝉蜕 (Periostracum Cicadae) 6g
- Jiang Can 僵蚕 (Bombyx Batryticatus) 10g
- Da Huang 熟大黄 (Radix et Rhizoma Rhei), cooked 6g
- Yu Xing Cao 鱼腥草 (Herba Houttuyniae) 30g
- Jin Yin Hua 金银花 (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae) 15g
- Lian Qiao 连翘 (Fructus Forsythiae) 15g
- Shi Gao 石膏 (Gypsum Fibrosum) 20g
Closed Interior and Abandoned Exterior

内闭外脱

• S/sx: high fever, delirium, restlessness, irritability, burning sensations in the chest and abdomen, cold hands and feet, hurried breathing, ECMO needed.
Closed Interior and Abandoned Exterior

内闭外脱

• 四逆加人参汤、安宫牛黄丸 (Si Ni Jia Ren Shen Tang (Frigid Extremities Decoction plus Ginseng), An Gong Niu Huang Wan (Calm the Palace Pill with Cattle Gallstone)

• An Gong Niu Huang Wan (Calm the Palace Pill with Cattle Gallstone) plus Ren Shen (Radix et Rhizoma Ginseng) 15g, Fu Zi (Radix Aconiti Lateralis Praeparata) 15g, Gan Cao (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae) 10g, Shi Chang Pu (Rhizoma Acori Tatarinowii) 10g

• If needed, intravenous infusion of Shenfu 参附 Injection, Shengmai 生脉 Injection
Insufficiency of qi and yin, Deficiency of Lung and Spleen. 气阴不足，肺脾两虚

- S/sx: dry cough, feeling of chest oppression, shortness of breath, dyspnea upon movement
Insufficiency of qi and yin, Deficiency of Lung and Spleen.

- Sha Shen 沙参 (Radix Glehniae seu Adenophorae) 15g
- Mai Dong 麦冬 (Radix Ophiopogonis) 15g
- Yu Zhu 玉竹 (Rhizoma Polygonati Odorati) 10g
- Tian Hua Fen 天花粉 (Radix Trichosanthis) 15g
- Xi Yang Shen 西洋参 (Radix Panacis Quinquefolii) 10g
- Wu Wei Zi 五味子 (Fructus Schisandraceae Chinensis) 10g
- Si Gua Luo 丝瓜络 (Retinervus Luffae Fructus) 15g
- Bai Bian Dou 扁豆 (Semen Lablab Album) 10g
- Sang Ye 桑叶 (Folium Mori) 10g
- Ju Luo 橘络 (Vascular Citri Reticulatae) 5g
- Zi Su Zi 苏子 (Fructus Perillae) 10g
- Zhe Bei Mu 浙贝 (Bulbus Fritillariae Thunbergii) 10g
- Ku Xing Ren 杏仁 (Semen Armeniacae Amarum) 10g
- Gan Cao 甘草 (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae) 6g
- Di Long 地龙 (Pheretima) 10g
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- Medical Observation Period 医学观察
- Clinical Treatment Period 临床治疗
- Recovery Period 恢复期

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Guidance for Corona Virus Disease 2019

- **Medical Observation Period** 医学观察
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  - Damp-Heat Accumulated Lung 湿热蕴肺证
  - Damp-Poison Stagnating Lung 湿毒郁肺证
  - Cold Dampness Obstructing Lung 寒湿阻肺证
  - Lung Blocked by Epidemic Toxin 疫毒闭肺证
  - Flaring Heat in Qi and Ying 气营两燔
  - Internal Block and Outward Desertion 内闭外脱
- **Recovery Period** 恢复期
  - Lung and Spleen Qi Deficiency 肺脾气虚证
  - Deficiency of Qi and Yin 气阴两虚证
Qing Fei Pai Du Tang (Clear the Lung and Eliminate Toxins Decoction)

- Ma Huang (Herba Ephedrae), 9g
- Zhi Gan Cao (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae Praeparata cum Melle), 6g
- Ku Xing Ren (Semen Armeniacae Amarum), 9g
- Shi Gao (Gypsum Fibrosum), 15-30g (pre-decoct)
- Gui Zhi (Ramulus Cinnamomi), 9g
- Ze Xie (Rhizoma Alismatis), 9g
- Zhu Ling (Polyporus), 9g
- Bai Zhu (Rhizoma Atractylodis Macrocephalae), 9g
- Fu Ling (Poria), 15g
- Chai Hu (Radix Bupleuri), 16g
- Huang Qin (Radix Scutellariae), 6g
- Jiang Ban Xia (Rhizoma Pinelliae Praeparatum cum Zingibere et Alumine), 9g
- Sheng Jiang (Rhizoma Zingiberis Recens), 9g
- Zi Wan (Radix et Rhizoma Asteris), 9g
- Kuan Dong Hua (Flos Farfarae), 9g
- She Gan (Rhizoma Belamcandae), 9g
- Xi Xin (Radix et Rhizoma Asari), 6g
- Shan Yao (Rhizoma Dioscoreae), 12g
- Zhi Shi (Fructus Aurantii Immaturus), 6g
- Chen Pi (Pericarpium Citri Reticulatae), 6g
- Guang Huo Xiang (Herba Pogostemonis), 9g

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**Qing Fei Pai Du Tang** 清肺排毒汤  
(Clear the Lung and Eliminate Toxins Decoction)

- **Ma Huang Xing Ren Gan Cao Shi Gao Tang** 麻杏甘石湯  
  (Ephedra, Apricot Kernel, Licorice, Gypsum Decoction)
- **Xiao Chai Hu Tang** 小柴胡湯  
  (Minor Bupleurum Decoction)
- **She Gan Ma Huang Tang** 射干麻黃湯  
  (Belamcanda and Ephedra Decoction)
- **Wu Ling San** 五苓散  
  (Five-Ingredient Powder with Poria)
Qing Fei Pai Du Tang 清肺排毒汤
(Clear the Lung and Eliminate Toxins Decoction)

• Drink the warm decoction twice daily 40 minutes after meals. Follow with half to one bowl of rice porridge.
• Dosage of Shi Gao (Gypsum Fibrosum) should be adjusted based on severity of fever.
Qing Fei Pai Du Tang 清肺排毒汤 (Clear the Lung and Eliminate Toxins Decoction)

- 701 patients in 10 provinces:
  - 130 recovered and discharged
  - 51 resolution of s/sx
  - 268 improvement of s/sx
  - 212 stabilization of s/sx
  - 94.3% rate of effectiveness

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Ma Huang (Herba Ephedrae)

- *Ephedra sinica, Ephedra intermedia, Ephedra equisetina*
  - Ephedrine alkaloids 0.481-2.47% (l-ephedrine, d-pseudoephedrine, l-norephedrine, d-norpseudoephedrine, l-methylephedrine, d-methylpseudoephedrine)

- *Ephedra nevadensis aka: momon tea*
  - No ephedrine alkaloids

Ma Huang (Herba Ephedrae)

- Relieves wheezing and dyspnea, stops cough
  - *Di Long* (Pheretima)
  - *Ku Xing Ren* (Semen Armeniacae Amarum)
  - *Zi Su Zi* (Fructus Perillae)

**Xi Xin** (Radix et Rhizoma Asari)

- Dispels exterior wind-cold
  - *Qiang Huo* (Rhizoma et Radix Notopterygii)
  - *Fang Feng* (Radix Saposhnikoviae)
- Warms the lung and resolves phlegm
  - *Gan Jiang* (Rhizoma Zingiberis)
  - *Jie Zi* (Semen Sinapis)

Kuan Dong Hua (Flos Farfarae)

- Moistens the Lung, descends qi, dissolves phlegm, stops cough
  - Ku Xing Ren (Semen Armeniacae Amarum)
  - Zi Wan (Radix et Rhizoma Asteris)
  - Zi Su Zi (Fructus Perillae)

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Acupuncture in the Treatment of COVID-19: An Exploratory Study

Research

- Pharmacological research of single herbs
- Clinical research of herbal formulas
Research

• Pharmacological research of single herbs
  – *Huang Qi* (Radix Astragali)
  – *Jin Yin Hua* (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae)
  – *Ban Lan Gen* (Radix Isatidis)
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  – *Wu Bei Zi* (Galla Chinensis)
  – *Xiang Chun Ye* (Folium Toonae Sinensis)
**Huang Qi (Radix Astragali)**

- Tonifies qi and raises yang
- Tonifies *wei* (defensive) *qi*, consolidates the exterior
- Promotes the discharge of pus and generates flesh
- Regulates water circulation, reduces edema
- Relieves numbness and pain

**Huang Qi (Radix Astragali)**

- **Immunostimulant:**
  - Administration of *Huang Qi* (Radix Astragali) is associated with promotion of T cells.
  - The polysaccharides from *Huang Qi* (Radix Astragali) have been shown to activate B cells.

Jin Yin Hua (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae)

- Clears heat
- Clears heat and eliminates toxins

Jin Yin Hua (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae)

- Antibacterial
- Antiviral

**Jin Yin Hua** (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae)

- **Antibacterial:** *Jin Yin Hua* has a broad spectrum of inhibitory actions against *Staphylococcus aureus*, beta-hemolytic streptococcus, *E. coli*, *Bacillus dysenteriae*, *Vibrio cholerae*, *Salmonella typhi*, *Diplococcus pneumoniae*, *Diplococcus meningitidis*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, and *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. Chlorogenic acid and isochlorogenic acid have the strongest antibiotic effects.

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**Jin Yin Hua** (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae)

**Antiviral**: Shuangkangsu, a cyclic peroxide from *Jin Yin Hua*, has significant antiviral activities against influenza virus and respiratory syncytial. The homosecoiridoid alkaloids of *Jin Yin Hua* have antiviral activity against the influenza virus H3N2 (A/Hanfang/359/95) and coxsackie virus B3. The glucosylated caffeoylquinic acid isomers from *Jin Yin Hua* shows inhibitory activity against coxsackie virus B3.

Research Article

Antiviral activities of medicinal herbs traditionally used in southern mainland China

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Abstract
The aqueous extracts from 21 medicinal herbs traditionally used in southern mainland China were screened for antiviral activities against human herpes simplex virus type 1 (HSV-1) and human respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) using a cytopathic effect (CPE) reduction assay. Three extracts from Agrimonia pilosa, Pithecellobium clypearia and Punica granatum, respectively, showed anti-HSV-1 activity, which was possibly contributed by the polyphenolic compounds in the herbal extracts. Six of the extracts, from Blumea laciniata, Elephantopus scaber, Laggera pterodonta, Mussaenda pubescens, Schefflera octophylla and Scutellaria indica, respectively, exhibited anti-RSV activity with 50% inhibition (IC50) concentrations ranging from 12.5 to 32 microg/mL, and selective indices (SI) ranging from 11.2 to 40. In addition to polyphenolic compounds, other constituents present in these extracts may also contribute to their anti-RSV activity.

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Jin Yin Hua (Flos Lonicerae Japonicae)

- *Jin Yin Hua* inhibits SARS-CoV replication at non-toxic concentration, of 21 herbs tested.
  - Others require high concentration.

Ban Lan Gen (Radix Isatidis)

• Clears heat, eliminates toxins, cools blood and benefits the throat

Ban Lan Gen (Radix Isatidis)

- Antibacterial
- Antitoxin
- Antiviral
- Anti-inflammatory

**Ban Lan Gen** (Radix Isatidis)

- **Antiviral:** *Ban Lan Gen* exerts antiviral effect against influenza A virus, seasonal influenza virus, human or avian influenza virus, novel swine-originating influenza virus, Japanese encephalitis virus, adenovirus, herpes simplex virus, hepatitis B virus, human cytomegalovirus, swine pseudorabies virus, coxsackie virus B3.
Anti-SARS coronavirus 3C-like protease effects of *Isatis indigotica* root and plant-derived phenolic compounds

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Abstract

The 3C-like protease (3CLpro) of SARS-coronavirus mediates the proteolytic processing of replicase polypeptides 1a and 1ab into functional proteins, becoming an important target for the drug development. In this study, *Isatis indigotica* root extract, five major compounds of *I. indigotica* root, and seven plant-derived phenolic compounds were tested for anti-SARS-CoV 3CLpro effects using cell-free and cell-based cleavage assays. Cleavage assays with the 3CLpro demonstrated that IC50 values were in micromolar ranges for *I. indigotica* root extract, indigo, sinigrin, aloe emodin and hesperetin. Sinigrin (IC50: 217 microM) was more efficient in blocking the cleavage processing of the 3CLpro than indigo (IC50: 752 microM) and beta-sitosterol (IC50: 1210 microM) in the cell-based assay. Only two phenolic compounds aloe emodin and hesperetin dose-dependently inhibited cleavage activity of the 3CLpro, in which the IC50 was 366 microM for aloe emodin and 8.3 microM for hesperetin in the cell-based assay.
Ban Lan Gen (Radix Isatidis)

- *Ban Lan Gen* shows direct effect to inhibit the enzyme activity of SARS coronavirus.

Yu Xing Cao (Herba Houttuyniae)

- Clears heat, eliminates toxins and drains pus
- Promotes normal urination

Yu Xing Cao (Herba Houttuyniae)

- Antibacterial
- Antiviral
- Anti-inflammatory

**Yu Xing Cao (Herba Houttuyniae)**

- **Antiviral and virucidal:** *Yu Xing Cao* has antiviral effect against numerous types of viruses: herpes simplex virus (HSV), acyclovir-resistant HSV, H1N1 influenza virus, pseudorabies herpes, influenza virus, and human immunodeficiency virus.

Immunomodulatory and anti-SARS activities of Houttuynia cordata

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Abstract

BACKGROUND: Severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) is a life-threatening form of pneumonia caused by SARS coronavirus (SARS-CoV). From late 2002 to mid 2003, it infected more than 8000 people worldwide, of which a majority of cases were found in China. Owing to the absence of definitive therapeutic Western medicines, Houttuynia cordata Thunb. (Saururaceae)(HC) was shortlisted by Chinese scientists to tackle SARS problem as it is conventionally used to treat pneumonia.

AIM OF THE STUDY: The present study aimed to explore the SARS-preventing mechanisms of HC in the immunological and anti-viral aspects.

RESULTS: Results showed that HC water extract could stimulate the proliferation of mouse splenic lymphocytes significantly and dose-dependently. By flow cytometry, it was revealed that HC increased the proportion of CD4(+) and CD8(+) T cells. Moreover, it caused a significant increase in the secretion of IL-2 and IL-10 by mouse splenic lymphocytes. In the anti-viral aspect, HC exhibited significant inhibitory effects on SARS-CoV 3C-like protease (3CL(pro)) and RNA-dependent RNA polymerase (RdRp). On the other hand, oral acute toxicity test demonstrated that HC was non-toxic to laboratory animals following oral administration at 16 g/kg.

CONCLUSION: The results of this study provided scientific data to support the efficient and safe use of HC to combat SARS.
**Yu Xing Cao (Herba Houttuyniae)**

- The water extract of *Yu Xing Cao* also demonstrates antiviral effect to treat coronavirus in severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS).
- *Yu Xing Cao* exhibits significant inhibitory effects on the virus, and increases the proliferation of lymphocytes in a dose-dependent manner.

Wu Bei Zi (Galla Chinensis)

- Contains leakage of lung qi, clears deficiency fire
- Binds the intestines
- Consolidates kidney jing (essence)
- Restrains sweating
- Stops bleeding
- Eliminates toxins and reduces swelling

**Wu Bei Zi (Galla Chinensis)**

- **Antiviral**: Administration of moronic acid from *Wu Bei Zi* is associated with antiviral effect against Epstein-Barr virus via the inhibition of the lytic cycle. *Wu Bei Zi* also shows antiviral activities against HIV-1 virus by inhibiting HIV-1 viral replication. The main active compounds include rhuscholide A, betulonic acid, moronic acid, and others.

Small Molecules Blocking the Entry of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus into Host Cells

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Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (SARS-CoV) is the pathogen of SARS, which caused a global panic in 2003. We describe here the screening of Chinese herbal medicine-based, novel small molecules that bind avidly with the surface spike protein of SARS-CoV and thus can interfere with the entry of the virus to its host cells. We achieved this by using a two-step screening method consisting of frontal affinity chromatography-mass spectrometry coupled with a viral infection assay based on a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)-luc/SARS pseudotyped virus. Two small molecules, tetra-O-galloyl-β-D-glucose (TGG) and luteolin, were identified, whose anti-SARS-CoV activities were confirmed by using a wild-type SARS-CoV infection system. TGG exhibits prominent anti-SARS-CoV activity with a 50% effective concentration of 4.5 μM and a selective index of 240.0. The two-step screening method described here yielded several small molecules that can be used for developing new classes of anti-SARS-CoV drugs and is potentially useful for the high-throughput screening of drugs inhibiting the entry of HIV, hepatitis C virus, and other insidious viruses into their host cells.

**Wu Bei Zi (Galla Chinensis)**

- *Wu Bei Zi* (Galla Chinensis) contains tetra-O-galloyl-β-D-glucose (TGG) and luteolin, were identified to exhibit prominent anti-SARS virus activity.

- These natural molecules bound avidly with the surface spike protein of SARS virus and thus interfered with the entry of the virus to its host cells.

Xiang Chun Ye (Folium Toonae Sinensis)

- Xiang Chun Ye clears heat and eliminates toxins to treat Lung heat with cough.
- It also clears heat and eliminates toxins from the skin to treat sores and abscesses.

Toona sinensis Roem tender leaf extract inhibits SARS coronavirus replication

Chung-Jen Chen, Martin Michaelis, Hseng-Kuang Hsu, Chin-Chuan Tsai, Kunder D. Yang, Yang-Chang Wu, Jindrich Cinatl Jr., Hans Wilhelm Doerr

Our team recruited the potential TCM formulae (also known as Kampo) from two TCM books, Shang-Han Lun (Discussion of Cold-Induced Disorders) and Wen-Bing Tiau-Bein (Differential Management of Febrile Diseases). Several herbs, which were believed to be beneficial for SARS by experienced TCM doctors were also recruited. In addition, a vegetable popular in Taiwan, China and Malaysia, the tender leaf of Toona sinensis Roem (also known as Cedrela sinensis, belongs to the family Meliaceae) was also recruited under the suggestion of botanic experts. These TCM products and plant extracts were then tested for the effectiveness against SARS-CoV in vitro.
**Xiang Chun Ye** (Folium Toonae Sinensis)

- **Xiang Chun Ye** (Folium Toonae Sinensis) contains a compound (TSL-1) that selectively bind to SARS-CoV virus to inhibit the cellular entry of the virus into the host cells.

- **Xiang Chun Ye** inhibits the replication of coronavirus to treat severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS).

Xiang Chun Ye (Folium Toonae Sinensis)

- Xiang Chun Ye is the most effective herb of all tested from Shang Han Lun (Discussion of Cold-Induced Disorders) and Wen Bing Tiao Bian (Systematic Differentiation of Warm Disease).

Research

- Clinical research of herbal formulas
  - *Yu Ping Feng San* (Jade Windscreen Powder)
The Use of an Herbal Formula by Hospital Care Workers During the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Epidemic in Hong Kong to Prevent Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Transmission, Relieve Influenza-Related Symptoms, and Improve Quality of Life: A Prospective Cohort Study

Prevention of SARS

• Study: 16,437 hospital care workers, including doctors, nurses and others 11 hospitals in Hong Kong
  – 1,063 herb group
  – 15,374 in non-herb group

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\(^a\)General service assistant, health care assistant, ward assistant, workman, steward, operation theater assistant, blood-taking assistant.
\(^b\)Doctor, dietitian, audiologist, radiographer, physiotherapist, occupation therapist, podiatrist, technician, research assistant, research assistant.
\(^c\)Pharmacy, endoscopy unit, electrodiagnostic unit, telemedicine unit, information technology office, laboratories, X-ray, occupational therapy department, physiotherapy department, radiology department, prosthetic and orthotic, central office, admission office, rehabilitation, transportation, canteen, mortuary, central sterile supply department, health information center.
Prevention of SARS

- *Huang Qi* 黃耆 (Radix Astragali)
- *Bai Zhu* 白朮 (Rhizoma Atractylodis Macrocephalae)
- *Fang Feng* 防風 (Radix Saposhnikoviae)
- *Sang Ye* 桑葉 (Folium Mori)
- *Ju Hua* 菊花 (Flos Chrysanthemi)
- *Bo He* 薄荷 (Herba Menthae)
- *Lian Qiao* 連翹 (Fructus Forsythiae)
- *Jie Geng* 桔梗 (Radix Platycodonis)
- *Ku Xing Ren* 苦杏仁 (Semen Armeniaceae Amaranum)
- *Lu Gen* 蘆根 (Rhizoma Phragmitis)
- *Gan Cao* 甘草 (Radix et Rhizoma Glycyrrhizae)
- *Da Qing Ye* 大青葉 (Folium Isatidis)
- *Huang Qin* 黃芩 (Radix Scutellariae)

Prevention of SARS

- *Yu Ping Feng San* (Jade Windscreen Powder)
- *Sang Ju Yin* (Mulberry Leaf and Chrysanthemum Decoction)
- *Da Qing Ye* (Folium Isatidis)
- *Huang Qin* (Radix Scutellariae)

- Take the herbal supplement daily for 2 weeks.

Prevention of SARS

• Results:
  – 1,063 herb group; 0 infected (0%)
  – 15,374 in non-herb group; 64 infected (0.4%)
  \[ P = 0.035 \]

• Note: Among 1,063 who took herbs, 19 (1.8%) with minor side effects such as diarrhea, sore throat, dizziness and nausea

吴有性 Wū Yǒu-Xìng, 1580’s-1660’s
Rè Bìng 熱病 (Hot Diseases)

_Huang Di Nei Jing_
(Yellow Emperor’s Inner Classic),
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Where Do We Go From Here?

The spread of COVID-19

Number of cases

Source: World Health Organization

Total cases: 96,893
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