

Chinese mint for cancer cure

A mint like herb, *Scutellaria barbata*, found in China may prove to be effective in cancer treatment. The medicine from leaf infusion of the herb destroys the blood vessel nurturing the tumor with blood and oxygen. The leaves have been traditionally used for the treatment of many serious diseases and some types of cancers.

Prof. Allen McGoun of the University of Salford and his associates claim that the herb has least side effects, in comparison to other medicines used for purpose, which kill healthy cells along with the carcinogenic ones, Scientists say that the drug will be tested on cancer patients. Early the tests have been conducted in the laboratory on breast and lung cancer.

The drug attack the blood vessels that carry nutrients for the cancerous cell, thereby inhibiting the supply of oxygen and other nutrients. According to Dr. Silvi Duki, the attack on blood vessel means that the food supply to the cells has been stopped, which results in deactivation of the tumor and prohibition of its spreading further. This drug only focuses on cancerous cells and normal cells remain unaffected.a.

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