

# Review of: "Is Indian Costus Effective Against the SARS-CoV-2 Virus?"

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I would like to thank the author for his explanatory work on ( the efficacy of Indian costus against the SARS-CoV-2 virus?)

The work is interesting, but I have noted a few remarks.

1- Give the botanical name of costus.

2- In the abstract, you state that some people have turned to Indian costus to reduce the symptoms of the virus. You should indicate the percentage.

3- At the beginning of the introduction, if you're talking about essential oils, write costus essential oils and give at least 3 examples of active compounds in costus oils.

4- What were the criteria for selecting the compounds (costunolide, cynaropicrin) for this in silico study? Was there any specific justification for the choice of these compounds?

5- What were the success criteria for determining whether the compounds were promising as potential drugs for COVID-19, based on the results of the in silico study?