

Review of: "The pros and cons of utilizing crude herbal preparations as opposed to purified active ingredients, with emphasis on the COVID pandemic"

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The article proposed by the collective of authors seems interesting, but there are many aspects that I think should be improved:

- 1. The title is not in accordance with the content of the work, I propose to change it In the advantages of combining extracts from medicinal plants in patients with COVID
- 2. The authors focus on the genus Artemisia, but it is not very clear from which species the aqueous extractive solutions were obtained
- 3. The 75 patients, what kind of extract they used, solid, liquid, where did they get it, from which species of Artemisia was it obtained
- 4. I do not think that those clinical cases are conclusive, it is not clear if the patients were monitored in the hospital or at home, how they assessed the symptoms, based on questionnaires or based on specific medical observations
- 5. Artemisia solutions were only administered by inhaler, how were they obtained, in what concentrations
- 6. The patients also had another basic medication; it is mentioned only in some of them
- 7. Who established that breathing improved and oxygen saturation increased
- 8. What is the relationship between total solutions or extracts and those containing isolated compounds; nothing in this sense appears in the article
- 9. It is a much too general article.