

Review of: "Traditional soap plants used in hand hygiene, can play an important role in curbing infectious diseases including COVID-19. So why is there so little research?"

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Hi, thank you for choosing me to review this interesting article.

The article has a very important thought and spots the light on using the plant as a cheap and effective source of hand hygiene to avoid COVID-19 spread, despite that the author may miss the side effect of some compounds that may be found in many plants and can be toxic or sensitive for the skin of many people "Traces of some plants substances - especially those do not dissolve in water - may remain stuck to the hands that people in many areas use directly for eating and drinking", therefore the article misses any simple experiment that can lead people in any site to extract saponins only. And the author cannot nominate a specific safe plant for use as hand hygiene, Also, the article is missing any real scientific experiment of using the plant to clean hands and then test that the hand is free of any viral, bacterial, or fungal presence. finally, I am like the Aboriginal people, I believe that prayer can ward off any harm, but my religion believes that prayer must be associated with work for success to be achieved. Therefore, we are certainly with the researcher's idea, which was good, even if it needed some refinement.