



ROLE OF VITAMIN B12, HYDROXY CHLOROQUINE, ARTESUNATE, PENICILLIN AND ZINC DRUGS IN TREATMENT OF COVID-19 DISEASE

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ABSTRACT An acute respiratory disease caused a novel corona virus (SARS-COV-2 previously known as 2019-nCoV), the corona virus disease 2019 (COVID-19) has spread through China received worldwide attention on 30 th January 2020, World Health Organisation (WHO) officially declared the COVID-19 pandemic as a public health emergency of international concern. The clinical symptoms of COVID-19 patients include fever, cough, fatigue, acute respiratory syndrome (ARDS) and Cytokine storm. This article revealed that most of antiviral, antibiotic, antiparasitic drugs are failed in treatment of COVID-19 because these drugs can't able to repair the outermost lipid covering of Corona Virus. Vitamin B12 is able to replete the Outer lipid covering of Corona Virus, known as lyplolitic action. Vitamin B12 also develops blood cells in human body. After the lyplolitic action few drugs like Hydroxy Chloroquine, Artesunate, Penicillin piperazine degrade the inside protein of corona virus and parasites. Obviously the viability of corona virus reduces. Artesunate suppresses the genome replication. It also acts as antiparasitic drug. Piperazine acts as antiparasitic drug and paralyzes the parasites. Zinc drugs increase immunity with production of antibodies. It also protects the cells from bacterial toxins. The proper combination of suitable drugs can be applicable in treatment of COVID-19.

KEYWORDS : COVID-19, Lyplolitic, Vitamin B12, Hydroxy Chloroquine, Artesunate, Penicillin, Piperazine, Zinc.

COVID-19 is world crises. Corona Virus is the common virus that infect human, typically leading to an upper respiratory infection (URI). It spreads through air by coughing and sneezing. A virus is a microorganism that is smaller than bacteria that can't grow or reproduce apart from a living cell. A virus invades living cells and uses their chemical machinery to keep itself alive and replicate itself. It is made of protein and living in host cells of animals. The outer covering of Corona Virus is made up of lipid while the outer covering of common virus is made up of protein. Generally, most of antiviral, antibacterial and antiparasitic drugs inhibit protein synthesis in virus. So virus gets killed. Hence such drugs act as curable drugs in common viruses. Corona virus is also made up of protein but its outer covering is made up of lipid that is why antiviral, antibacterial and antiparasitic drugs are failed to kill corona virus. These drugs fail to repair the outer lipid covering of corona virus. Hence corona virus remains in host cells and multiplication is fast going on severe infection of corona virus observed in patient. The process of lyplolitic action may be the milestone in the way of invention of new drug or vaccine against COVID-19.

Till today there is no curable drug invented regarding COVID-19. However, we can use some drugs in a group of combination which can cure COVID-19. The characteristics of every drug depend on its structure, physical, chemical properties, microbiological and biochemical activities and mode of action.

This article through the light on brief study of some drugs regarding COVID-19.

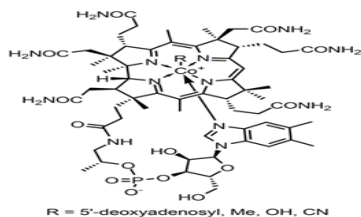
DISCUSSION

1) Vitamin B12-

Molecular formula- C₆₃H₈₈CoN₁₄O₁₄P

Molar mass - 1355.365 gm/Mole

Structure of vitamin B12-



Vitamin B12 also called as Cobalamin. Vitamin B12 is the largest and most structurally complex vitamin and it consists of a class of chemically related compounds with vitamins. It is a water-soluble organic compound essential to a number of microorganisms and animals including human beings. It contains biochemically rare

element Cobalt positioned in the center of the corrin ring, it develops blood cells.

It comprises a number of forms including Cyano-, methyl-, deoxyadenosyl- and hydroxy cobalamin. The cyano form which is used in supplements which is found in trace amount in food. [1]. The other form of cobalamin can be converted to methyl- or 5-deoxyadenosyl forms that are required as co-factors for methionine synthase and L-methyl-malonyl-CoA mutase [2]. Vitamin B-12 is important to DNA synthesis and may affect bone formation. It has been linked to osteoblastic activity in clinical studies and cell culture its deficiency causes Osteoporosis[3].

MODE OF ACTION-

Vitamin B-12 contains a metallic cobalt ion which hydrolyzes and repletes the outer lipid covering of corona virus. Thus cobalt ion plays a fundamental role in lyplolitic action (breakdown of lipids) as the lipid covering of corona virus breaks many antiviral, antibacterial and antiparasitic drugs are available to help in inhibition of protein synthesis in corona virus. Thus the life cycle of corona virus breaks and stops.

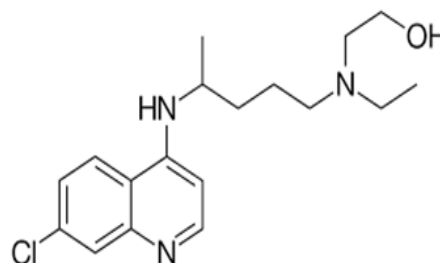
Vitamin B-12 also acts as an antiviral agent in combination with antiviral, antiproliferative and anti-inflammatory drugs.

2) Hydroxy chloroquine -

Molecular formula - C₁₈H₂₆ClN₃O

Molar mass - 335.872 gm/mole

Structure of Hydroxy chloroquine



The antimalarial hydroxychloroquine and chloroquine have demonstrated antiviral activity against severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) Corona Virus-2 (SARS-COV-2) in vitro and in small poorly controlled and uncontrolled clinical studies. [4].

MODE OF ACTION-

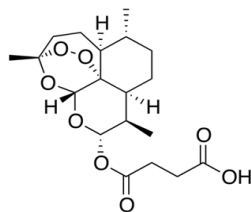
Hydroxychloroquine increases pH within intracellular involvement

and alter process such as protein degradation assembly of micro molecules in endosomes and post translational modification of proteins in Golgi apparatus. Antirheumatic properties of this compound results from their interference with "Antigen processing" in microphases and other antigen presenting cells. Acidic cytoplasmic compartments are required for antigenic proteins to be digested and for peptides to assemble with Alpha and Beta Chains of proteins as a result antimalarial diminish the formation of protein complexes required to stimulate CD4+T cells and result in down regulation of immune response against auto antigenic peptides. This mechanism differs than other antirheumatic drugs, antimalarial drug are well suited to complement other compounds in combination drug therapy.

It is safe drug for Diabetic, Hypertension and Pregnant patients.

3) Artesunate Drugs-
Molecular formula- C₁₉H₂₈O₈
Molar Mass- 382.21 gm/mole.

Structure of Artesunate-



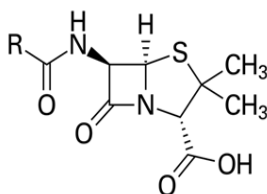
It is an antimalarial drug has antiproliferative capacities. Artesunate is semisynthetic derivative of Artemisinin (a sesquiterpene lactone from *Artemisia annua* L.) However it has been used as antimalarial drug so far [5,6]. It has cytotoxic action against cellwall of COVID-19 viruse. It is included in WHO's medicine list.

MODE OF ACTION-

It is antiviral and antiparasitic drug. The mechanism of artesunate involves cleavages of endo peroxide bond through reaction with haeme. This produces free radicals which alkylate proteins of COVID-19 virus. It is prodrug rapidly converted to its active form dihydroartemisinin which inhibits the calcium dependant ATPase on endoplasmic membrane which disrupts protein folding of COVID-19 virus or parasite. This drug is helpful in multiparasitic infection cases. Artesunate suppressed the genome replicates.

4) Penicillin-
Molecular Formula - R-C₉H₁₁N₂O₄S
Molar mass- 436 to 450 gm/mole

Core structure of penicillin-



In penicillin G, R= C₆H₅CH₂-
In Penicillin V, R= C₆H₅OCH₂

It is discovered by Alexander Fleming, penicillin works by interfering with bacterial cellwall. Peoples less than one percent are dangerously allergic to penicillin. Penicillin derives originally from common moulds (fungi) known as penicillium moulds. Different types of Penicillin includes Penicillin G (intravenous use), Penicillin V (use by mouth), procaine Penicillin and benzathine penicillin (intramuscular use). Penicillin is four membered Beta lactum ring which has antibacterial activity [7].

MODE OF ACTION-

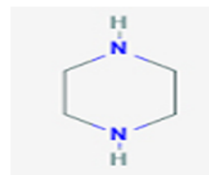
Penicillin gets absorbed in distal half of ileum and metabolised in liver and excreted through kidney. Penicillin also hydrolyses and reuptured the lipid covering of COVID-19 virus. It plays fundamental role in lipolytic action. Various antiviral drugs are available to inhibit the protein synthesis of COVID-19 virus. Thus Penicillin reduces the viruse.

Penicillin kills susceptible bacteria by inhibiting transpeptase that catalyses final step in cellwall biosynthesis cross linking of peptidoglycan. Penicillin is highly reactive Beta Lactum structure irreversibly acylate active site cellwall transpeptase. Cellwall transpeptase closely related penicillin sensitive cellwall enzyme. It also acts as antibiotic introduction of penicillin inside chain of peptide linkage in increases acid stability and oral absorption. Substitution of alpha proton by ionic or polar group of peptide linkage increases activity against pathogens.

This drug is restricted for diabetic and hypertension patients.

5) Piperazine (1,4 dihydropiperazine) -
Molecular Formula - C₄H₁₀N₂
Molar mass -

Structure of Piperazine -



It is antiparasite drug. It is cyclic organic molecule possesses two nitrogen atoms in opposite position within six membered heterocyclic ring. It gives more pronounced relief of menopausal symptoms without any notable adverse effect [8].

MODE OF ACTION-

Piperazine acts as a gamma amino butyric acids (GABA) agonist causing chloride channel opening, neutral hyperpolarisation and flaccid paralysis of virus or parasites.

6) Zinc drug -

There are large number of zinc drugs.

The drug containing zinc metal increases immunity power and acts as antioxidant, antimicrobial and antibiotic activity. It is used in anti-retroviral therapy for human immunodeficiency virus-1 (HIV-1) infection has transformed its clinical course with spectacular reduction in morbidity and mortality [9]. Zinc involves in various aspects of cellular metabolism. 10% of human proteins may bind with zinc. It plays important roles in immune function, wound healing, protein synthesis, DNA synthesis and cell division. It also shows anti-oxidant and anti-microbial property.

Mode of Action-

Zinc promotes resistance to epithelial apoptosis through cell protection against reactive oxygen species and bacterial toxins. Zinc restores mucosal barrier integrity and enterocyte brush border enzyme activity. It promotes production of antibodies and circulating lymphocytes against pathogens and it has direct effect on ion channel blocker of adenosine 3,5. Cyclic mono-phosphate mediated chloride secretion. Zinc acts as microbial inflammatory equilibrium and facilitates antibiotic absorption when used in combination with other drug.

Considering the antiviral, antibacterial, antiparasitic, lipolytic, immunological and antioxidant activities of these drugs three types of combination therapy of drugs are made in treatment of COVID-19 virus.

Type - I: Vitamine B12 + Hydroxychloroquine + Artesunate
Type - II: Vitamine B12 + Piperazine + Hydroxychloroquine
Type - III: Vitamine B12 + Penicillin + Zinc drug

CONCLUSION

Type I or Type II combination of drugs are suitable in COVID-19 virus treatment without adverse effect. Type III combination of drug are not suitable for diabetic & hypertension patients due to side effect of penicillin.

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