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Personal Clinical Experience Using Carnivora

I have used botanical medicine in my own practice for twenty years. I studied acupuncture and botanical medicine in Japan for several years. I have studied German biological medicine in Germany and French phytoaromatherapy in France, from which I wrote my book "Botanical Medicine: A European Professional Perspective (Paradigm, 1996). I teach practitioner seminars on clinical issues including "Treatment of Infections

Without Antibiotics," which I have taught numerous times in California (several times in San Francisco, Santa Rosa and Los Angeles), Seattle, New York, Boston and Amsterdam to doctor's groups. This seminar is based on my own clinical experience and on my studies with various doctors in France, Germany, Switzerland and Japan who almost never use conventional antibiotics. I felt as a clinician I was able to provide patients with biological, nontoxic primary care for an ordinary medical practice. The one exception was patients demanding antibiotics, and demanding them inappropriately even from the viewpoint of conventional medicine. I began to tell patients to call me first if they thought they needed an antibiotic.

This research on how to treat infections is what first brought my attention to Carnivora. I had heard of Dr. Helmut Keller's research on Carnivora for tumor reduction and that he produced a pharmaceutical grade extract, but when I discovered its applications as an antimicrobial, I began to apply it clinically. In fact, I began to use it regularly as the antimicrobial agent of choice for certain types of infections. My attention was especially aroused when a patient, female, 37, who had suffered Trichomonas vaginitis for nearly ten months came for treatment. Her main complaint was dyspareunia, spontaneous vaginal pain and thick, yellowish foamy discharge. She had not responded to a course of metronidazole. Her report of cessation of all symptoms of discomfort within three days astounded me. Cessation of the discharge occurred within a week. I began to use Carnivora for other cases of vaginitis. I subsequently used Carnivora alone as a single agent for other trichomonas cases as well as cases of gardnerella, candidiasis and genital herpes.

One woman was a regular patient of mine who came in not only for treatment of acute problems, but also for "wellness" visits. She had a recurring problem with gardnerella and Bartholinitis. The swelling and pain would often respond to treatment with acupuncture and Chinese herbs, but the pattern of recurring infections was broken after two courses of Carnivora lasting ten days in two consecutive months.

I also began to use Carnivora for upper respiratory infections, including streptococcus, staphylococcus and pneumococcus-induced infections. Even when it was clearly a viral case, the response was beneficial. Now there is a 1999 study on using it for Helicobacter pylori. The results indicate that Carnivora can be an effective

treatment for duodenal ulcers due to Helicobacter. Now that Carnivora is available in the US, I have been using it as an immunity booster.

In recent discussions with other practitioners, I have heard of other successes. Gene Hummel, NMD of Ohio says that he has "excellent results" in "clearing up yeast," often with a dramatic change in as little as three days. He is quick to add that he uses other remedies for "drainage," but since he has been using the Carnivora, the results have been remarkable. Dr. Greg Saunders of Michigan also used Carnivora for candidiasis, but says he treats patients with recurring colds with Carnivora and also patients with upper respiratory tract infections, including strep and staph.

Dr. Gideon Earon of Israel, an oncologist, is using Carnivora capsules alone as an immune booster in patients who have had cytotoxic chemotherapy. He is planning to publish the results of clinical studies measuring numerous immune system parameters, including total T-lymphocytes, NK cells, helper cells, macrophages and granulocytes. He said that thus far he is seeing great improvements in immune system function and increases in leucocytes only a few days after chemotherapy. Patients are reporting less nausea, constipation and pain using the Carnivora without any other substances. There are also some patients in the U.S. who have reported improvement in their tumor markers after taking only the oral form, but I would only speak off the record about this.

My own experience with Carnivora precedes my personal contact with Dr. Keller. I expressed an interest to Dr. Keller in helping to pull together the research and promote practitioner use in the U.S. I had already mentioned Carnivora as the most versatile and useful botanical antimicrobial in some of my lectures and seminars on avoiding antibiotic use. When I visited Dr. Keller < in May of 1999 >, I was able to review cases and speak to people firsthand who had responded to the treatment.

All of Dr. Keller's successes are remarkable because nearly all of them appear at his clinic at very late stages of deterioration. The patients I met, suffering from such afflictions as pancreatic cancer, hepatocarcinoma and mammary carcinoma were notable in their sense of well-being. Some of them were going home in total remission. Dr. Keller uses a wide range of therapies, but the intravenous use of Carnivora was a conspicuous part of most patients' treatment for tumor reduction.

Dr. Keller was emphatic that the oral form of Carnivora is not to be used to treat cancer. I think this is partly because anyone claiming benefits for cancer in the U.S. risks quickly being discredited. After thirty years of research I believe he feels that it is not worth the risk, since the capsules have just become available in the U.S. He explained that Carnivora is an immune modulator, an immune stimulant, a broad-spectrum antibiotic, and potentiates the antimicrobial effects of antibiotics.

My personal opinion of the importance of Carnivora for general use is that it is a double-barreled immunity enhancer. Dr. Earon's preliminary findings indicate that it stimulates immunity quickly even after the ravages of cytotoxic chemotherapy.

The other "barrel" is as a microbe killer. I believe that in an age of a growing danger of "superbugs" it is important to have an antimicrobial that is safe for general use. There is ample evidence that conventional antibiotics cannot be used prophylactically. In fact, they seem to have the opposite effect and set the stage for bacterial infections by damaging the intestinal flora. Carnivora can be used preventively and therapeutically for infections. If conventional antibiotics are used, they can enhance the effect and hopefully thus prevent recidivism. In many cases they can be used in place of antibiotics and of course they are helpful in viral and fungal infections for which antibiotics are not indicated.

When my patients travel to Mexico, Africa or India, they often ask me for advice on a "travel kit" for health care. I recommend Carnivora to be included without fail. The capsules store well in hot, humid climates and they can be used to prevent protozoal, fungal and bacterial infections. I recommend a low daily dose of 1 or 2 capsules and increase the dose if any symptoms arise. So far there have been no outbreaks in any of the patients. There is in vitro evidence that Carnivora kills *Plasmodia malariae*. If this can be confirmed and studied further, Carnivora could hold promise as a preventive for malaria and make travel in many countries safe without using the anti-malarial drugs that are so damaging to the liver.

When I attempt to visualize the effects of Carnivora in the most basic terms, I conceive it to be a scavenger of degraded proteins. I believe that the chemical constituents of Carnivora have a strong affinity for nitrogen and nonstructural protein accumulations and is a type of "tissue cleanser." As an immunity enhancer,

antimicrobial and even a "tissue cleanser" I think Carnivora is unparalleled in its versatility.

There is also the body of evidence for Carnivora as an immune enhancer and anti-microbial and, I believe, a strong case justifying further exploration as an anticancer agent.

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