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## Plants Used Against Viral Infections

A pneumonia associated corona virus disease originated in Wuhan, China in December 2019 and within some days it became pandemic, known as COVID-19. As of May 5, 2020, about 49588 cases of confirmed infections and about 1698 death have been reported in India. Till now, there is no vaccine against COVID-19 and researchers are still working on it. Medicinal plant species can provide a solution as a source of natural anti-viral compounds by accumulation of preventive as well as curative bioactive compounds and provide a

platform to express the viral immunogenic proteins. Several plant-derived anti-corona virus compounds have been nominated that could be targeted for advance research against novel corona virus. *Urtica dioica*, *Scutellaria baicalensis*, *Nicotiana tabacum*, *Curcuma longa*, *Moringa oleifera* etc. are some of the important plant species. Hence there is a need for more and rapid research in the field of reverse pharmacology against COVID-19.

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