

HEALTH UPDATE

Supplement Stimulates Natural Flu Prevention

(NAPSA)—You can protect yourself and your family from the flu. If this year's flu season is like the last few, however, vaccines will be late, there will be a shortage of doses and they may not even protect against the current strain. Of greater concern to public health officials are a pandemic—a global epidemic—and the threat of animal viruses “crossing over” and threatening humans.

While flu shots remain the most common approach to preventing death and hospitalization, researchers have been working to discover new treatment approaches.

New Flu Dangers

Pandemics have occurred three times in the last century. In 1918, more than 20 million people worldwide died.

“We do not know when the next influenza pandemic will occur, but the clock seems to be ticking faster than ever,” reports Benjamin Schwartz, M.D., of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Since the 1976 outbreak of swine flu, there have been many cases of humans infected with influenza strains from animals. The most recent is Asian bird and poultry influenza which, this year alone, has killed 28 people in Asia.

Novel Approach

A unique “broad-spectrum” treatment approach is a natural nutritional supplement with roots in Far Eastern folk medicine. Immunocil™ is produced by nature's decomposition of organic plants and has been shown to support the body's ability to arrest the growth of the most common human viruses, including several



This year, doctors and patients have a new weapon in the fight against influenza.

influenza viruses.

The active ingredient, humic acid, can prevent viruses from attaching to healthy cells. Immunocil has been shown in several studies at research institutions such as the NIH, Southern Research Institute and the University of Southern California to inhibit the process through which virus attackers bind to host cells, a process known as viral fusion inhibition. Viruses have “sticky spots” that enable them to attach to host cells. The Immunocil molecule, scientists say, specifically prevents this by covering these sticky spots. Viruses cannot replicate and spread, the experts point out, and the body's own immune system is able to eradicate the remaining virus.

Immunocil has been found to have a similar effect in hepatitis, herpes and other viruses similar to West Nile Virus, although the product has not been evaluated by the FDA.

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