

services, the health care systems will face new pressures. In this context, the steady adherence to the values of equity and universal access to assistance will become more important than ever.

In case that the Chinese authorities assign the necessary resources and establish a strategy that allows, at medium term, the achievement of a health care system based on TCM featured by its effectiveness, equity and universal access, they will not only benefit all the population of China, but they will also turn into a world reference. This will permit the exportation of the model to other countries, achieving important benefits in addition to the improvement of the health of the population in those countries.

We consider that in this plan there have to be implied all health care operators from government and non-government organizations to the professionals themselves through their organizations without forgetting the TCM Universities and education institutes, pharmaceutical laboratories suppliers of TCM, the Commerce Chamber, editorials specialized in TCM, TCM institutes and research centres, and definitively all those who can contribute, as we, to the development of the TCM in China and in the world.

Imminent Crisis and Solutions to European Directive on Traditional Herbal Medicinal Products

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Abstract

This paper analyses the implications of EU THMPD and the UK statutory registration of practitioners in relation to Chinese Medicine and the possible consequences to the globalisation of Chinese Medicine. It is necessary to gain legal status to ensure mainstream development, but unsuitable regulation could damage the future of Chinese Medicine. The EU directive on traditional medicine in the current form as implemented in the UK after April 2011 may cause such a crisis. In explaining the relationship between the two regulations, we can understand the concerns of both practitioners and businesses in their search for an urgent solution. This report urges immediate communications and proper consultation between EU and China on the issues. Technical difficulties such as stability test for compound herbs as well as different medical methodology are preventing an integrative regulation regime. Compromise and negotiation as proposed in this report may lead to a solution in legislation, thus enhancing safety and good practice of Chinese Medicine.

We cannot wait for the advances of Systems Biology or other sciences in order to validate Chinese Medicine. Regulators on the west seek to protect consumers, yet by doing so they restrict consumer choice. The report looks into future perspectives for Chinese Medicine in the current legislative environment, and point out the consequences of failure in finding a solution may go beyond patients and doctors.

Reflexotherapy in Ukraine:

Educational and Medical Aspects

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The whole world suffers from identical problems: negative consequences of technogenic catastrophes and contamination of environment, surplus use of medicinal preparations with increasing their unbearableness and resistivity to the receipt of medical effect from their application, by the allergisation of population, psychical and emotional overloads. On this background remains solid and actual traditional Chinese medicine, from the sources of which the treat and diagnostically system began to develop under the name "reflexotherapy".

In Ukraine acupuncture is successfully used more than 30 years. It was improved by Professor Y. Macheret and her colleagues. Got also development and another ways of affecting points of acupuncture is an electropuncture, lasypuncture, pharmacopuncture and other, and also vacuum-therapy, cauterization (warming up), incorporated by a general term " reflexotherapy ". Reflexotherapy is used for treatment of different diseases: neurological, gastroenterology, allergic, pulmonary, dermatological, and gynaecological, at the consequences of traumas, stresses and other. Most essential is circumstance that reflexotherapy main principle of medicine is the basis of - to treat a patient, but not illness. In fact, indeed, the greatest result of medical art can be got, if to take into account the different syndromes of patient.

Reflexotherapy, above all things classic acupuncture, both monotherapy is widely used and in combination with classic European medicine. The puncture method of introduction of medications is used - pharmacopuncture. Along with classic corporal reflexotherapy (by acupuncture, lasypuncture et cetera) auricular therapy is used. Traditional Chinese diagnostics is used: on a language, on eyes, auricle, on puls, and also electropuncture vehicle methods (Nakatani - Riodoraku).