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celebration of 10-year anniversary

# ii Launch of Phytomedicine Special Issue



# iii GP-TCM RA workshop on 29 November 2022





# Congratulations to Professor Lyu Aiping for being elected as Foreign Member of Academia Europaea.

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# Lee-Yan Sheen

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## Briefly describe your experience with TCM R&D

I have worked in traditional Chinese medicine (TCM) research and development for more than 30 years. My research interests include nutrition, dietary therapy, herbal medicine, and functional food development. The research scope combines the concept of Western dietary therapy and traditional Chinese dietary therapy to use natural products (mainly food and herbs) to develop cell, animal models, and clinical studies to explore their function and benefit for human health. Research outcomes can be applied as health foods, dietary therapies, functional foods, value-added food products, and preventive medicines for improving the quality of human life. At my laboratory, Dietary Therapy Lab, researches are classified into four categories: 1. Brain science, 2. Liver protection, 3. Gut microbiota and metabolomics, and 4. Food safety and preventive medicine.



**G** Prof. Lee-Yan Sheen in front of a poster of the Laboratory of Dietary Therapy, which illustrates the four research scope areas on which he has focused.



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### 1. Brain Science

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Major depression disorder (MDD) is a human psychiatric disease that affects more than 3.5 million people worldwide and results in a significant burden and disruption in the daily lives of patients. Some antidepressants have been developed to maintain the monoamine concentration in the brain. However, several undesired side effects, such as sleep disorders, gastrointestinal effects, nausea, vomiting, and weight changes, are induced by antidepressant drugs. Several phytochemicals of traditional herbal medicines have been used for hundreds or thousands of years. We have been researching the antidepressant effect of TCM for over 20 years, including *Gastrodia elata* Blume (天麻; Tiānmá), *Poria cocos* (茯苓; Fúlíng), *Melissa officinalis* L. (香蜂草; Xiāng fēng cǎo), *Allium sativum* (大蒜; dàsuàn) and lemon essential oil (檸檬精油; Níngméng jīngyóu) in animal and cell models. The active compounds in these TCMs could be used as an alternative therapy to treat depression. The molecular mechanism of action of these TCMs are through the modulation of factors such as the neurotransmitters serotonin (5-HT), dopamine (DA), neurotrophic factor (BDNF)/ c-AMP response element-binding protein (CREB)/protein kinase B (Akt), p38, and NF-κB pathways, etc.

## 2. Liver Protection

The liver is the largest organ in the body, and it plays an important role in metabolism. Liver diseases are caused by factors such as high-fat content food intake, excessive alcohol consumption, chemical exposure, and virus infection. Our interest mainly focuses on non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD), alcoholic fatty liver disease (AFLD), steatohepatitis (NASH), fibrosis, cirrhosis, and liver cancer. We have examined the liver protective function of garlic (*Allium sativum*), ginger (*Zinger officinale*), Chinese herbs, and their bioactive compounds against these liver diseases. The research outcomes demonstrated that garlic and ginger essential oil ameliorated hepatic injury and lipid accumulation in high-fat diet-induced NAFLD. The molecular mechanism



of action of these foods and herbs are through decreasing the release of pro-inflammatory cytokines in the liver and improving antioxidant capacity as well as modulating fatty acid synthesis and ß-oxidation-related pathways. We also proved that allicin, the primary compound in raw garlic, protects the liver from alcoholicinduced fatty liver disease. Additionally, we have investigated the liver protective effect of ginseng essence and *Taiwanofungus camphoratus* ( 牛 樟芝; Niúzhāngzhī) in the tetrachloride-induced liver injury animal model.

Prof. Sheen advises students regarding the experiment related to the dietary therapy of traditional Chinese medicine.







### 3. Microbiota and Metabolomics

The gut microbiota play an important role in health and disease. Diet is known to influence gut microbiota. Alterations in the microbiota are associated with several diseases. In this research field, we have studied the impact of diet on disease progression and apply the TCM bioactive compounds to alleviate the diseases via gut microbiota modulation. Trimethylamine N-oxide (TMAO), produced by gut microbiota and hepatic enzymes, play an important role in cardiovascular disease (CVD) as a CVD risk factor. We have developed a clinically applicable method called the oral carnitine challenge test (OCCT) for TMAO-related therapeutic drug assessment and personalizing dietary guidance. Besides, we also examined the antibiotic-like activity of allicin, the primary compound from raw garlic, through TMAO inhibition. Our research outcomes from the C57BL/6J mice, ApoE-/- mice, in vitro, ex vivo, and human studies indicate the potential application of raw garlic and allicin as a dietary intervention for the prevention of cardiovascular disease via gut microbiota modulation. Furthermore, allicin also exhibited liver protective activity by reducing the fatty liver and inflammation in AFLD through the modulation of gut microbiota-lipopolysaccharide-CD14/tolllike receptor 4 pathway. Our ongoing research has found that antibiotic residue exposure correlates with obesity and glucose metabolism through gut microbiota and its metabolite pathway in mice. Fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT) in germ-free mice validates obesogenic and metabolic phenotype. Additionally, we have developed mass-spectrometry-based serum metabolomics of mouse models of high-fat-diet-induced NAFLD progression. Thirty potential biomarkers were strongly associated with the development of NAFLD. These metabolomics data suggest potential biomarkers for the early risk assessment of NAFLD and further insights into NAFLD development.

### 4. Food Safety and Preventive Medicine

In terms of food safety and preventive medicine research area, we focus on food safety against foodborne pathogens (ex. *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Listeria monocytogenes*, and *Escherichia coli*)

during food processing and storage. We have developed the foodborne pathogen growth models and predicted the safety outcomes. Moreover, we evaluated the safety of several TCMs (e.g., *Gastrodia elata* Blume, *Melissa officinalis*, and garlic essential oil) in animal models. With regards to the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic, we have written a review and perspective article on dietary therapy and herbal medicine for COVID-19 prevention to promote TCM as a complementary and preventive therapy for COVID-19.



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Editorial meeting of the Journal of Traditional and Complementary Chinese Medicine (eJTCM).

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Would you like to share with us how you've first crossed the path with TCM/ Natural medicine/ alternative and complementary medicine and what makes you carry on engaging with the research and development of TCM now?

I first crossed paths with TCM approximately 30 years ago. In 1992, I served as an associate professor at the Department of Nutrition, China Medical University, Taichung, Taiwan. One exceptional quality of the China Medical University is the best teaching and research in TCM. During that time, I had the opportunity to learn a lot about TCM and then integrate it with my expertise in nutrition dietary therapy research. It is important to cure a disease, but preventive medicine is also essential. One concept of TCM is to prevent a disease before its occurrence (上工治未病; Shàng gōng zhì wèi bìng). Thus, food, nutrition, and dietary therapy are the primary option for TCM. The first document regarding TCM is The Yellow Emperor's Inner Canon (黃帝內經; Huángdì nèijīng), which mentioned that the first important concept is to prevent the disease by eating the right food and nutrition. This is the principle of dietary therapy. I continue to research dietary therapy of TCM as it is a helpful approach in preventing diseases. One can apply it in daily life foods and meals. You can recover or reduce undesirable health situations in order that your life quality gets better and better. Therefore, dietary therapy of TCM is quite helpful and valuable in elevating the quality of life of humans. That is why until now, I continue to participate and engage in TCM research for more than 30 years.



You are a current BoD member of GP-TCM RA, How would you describe "Good Practice in TCM Research and Development", would you like to share with us any example that you would regard as good practice? Or any bad experience that you have encountered?

I believe good practice in TCM research and development is crucial because, if you follow good practices from farms to human beings, you can attain a high quality dietary therapy of TCM. Without good practices, you may obtain a poor ingredient, which may reduce the efficacy of healing the diseases. We should follow not only the "Good Practice in TCM Research and Development," but also several other kinds of good practices in different fields, including Good Agricultural Practice (GAP), Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) and Good Laboratory Practice (GLP), etc. Therefore, I consider good practice very important for the dietary therapy of TCM.

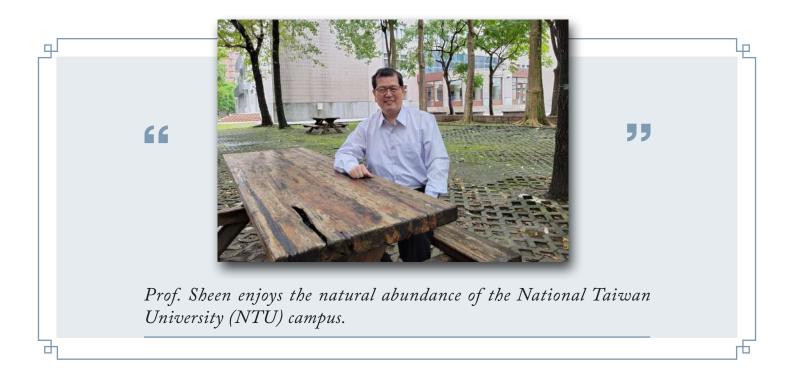


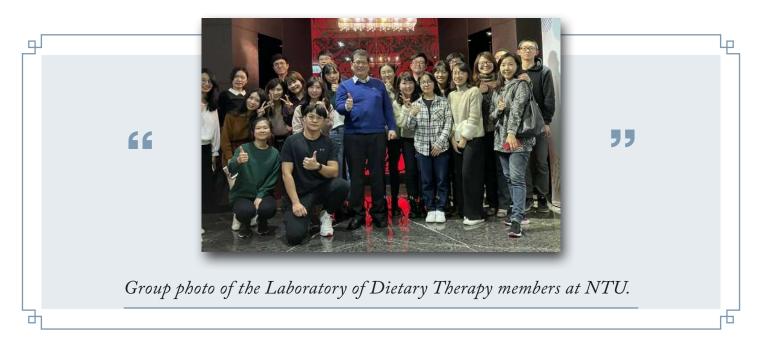


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In your opinion, what is the latest trend in the research and development of TCM/ Natural medicine/ alternative and complementary medicine? Is there any suggestion you would like to give us?

I think the most important direction in the research and development of TCM may be precision medicine. Precision medicine is a fundamental and important issue in TCM. Precision medicine may be considered a precision diet or dietary therapy. Understanding each individual's body constitution can help recommend precise food and nutrition to people for their health based on a food attributes (hot/warm or cold/cool). Matching our body constitution and food attributes according to Yin and Yang could help achieve balance necessary for good health.







#### The EU and China have signed an administrative arrangement to support cooperation



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On 22 April 2022, the EU and China have signed an administrative arrangement for the period 2021-2024 to support collaborative research projects under two jointly agreed research flagship initiatives: the Food, Agriculture, and Biotechnology as well as the new Climate Change and Biodiversity flagships.



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#### Why Acupuncture Is Going Mainstream in Medicine



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BY ELIZABETH MILLARD

hen the opioid addiction crisis began to surge in the U.S. about a decade ago, Dr. Medhat Mikhael spent a lot of time talking to his patients about other ways to heal pain besides opioids, from other types of medications to alternative treatments.

As a pain management specialist at MemorialCare Orange Coast Medical Center in Fountain Valley, Calif., he didn't anticipate leaving behind the short-term use of opioids altogether, since they work so well for post-surgical pain. But he wanted to recommend a remedy that was safer and still effective.



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#### Switzerland established Swiss University of Traditional Chinese Medicine

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The results of the Phase III clinical trial for a new diabetic drug developed in Shanghai were published in Nature Medicine, the R&D and clinical trials were led by Chinese scholars.



上海原创糖尿病新药登上《自然 - 医学》, 从研发到临床试验均由中国专家主导

昨天(12)晚上,国际顶级医学刊物《自然-医学》(Nature Medicine)杂志同时在线发表了两篇公司全球首创糖尿病新药葡萄 糖激酶激活剂(GKA)多格列艾汀(dorzagliatin)的III期注册 临床研究结果的同行评议论文。

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# Traditional herbs battle dementia: An HKUST neuroscience group has developed a traditional Chinese medicine-based treatment for brain degeneration.

The growing prevalence of dementia and Alzheimer's disease (AD) in the global aging population prompted a neuroscience research team at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) to find a way to prevent and treat these debilitating diseases.

It is believed that traditional Chinese medicine (TCM) is among the most well documented and practiced medicinal resources, with a few thousand years of practice behind it. Understanding the mechanisms of these TCMs will help enhance the development and application of TCMs in improving brain health.

"This is why we started to look for bioactivity that is beneficial for maintaining brain health, in particular, for learning and memory, with TCM-based neurodrug screening," Dr. Ip, senior scientist at the State Key Laboratory of Molecular Neuroscience at HKUST, said. "We have a strong belief that promoting brain health with preventive treatment will be enormous."



"To identify TCM treatments for dementia and AD, we focused on identifying TCMs that enhance communication between neurons, the dysfunction of which is believed to be a major cause of cognitive decline and memory loss" Dr. Ip explained. Indeed, promoting neuronal communication can be beneficial for treating other brain diseases, including ischemic injury (which is often caused by strokes) and Parkinson's disease.

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology researcher Dr. Fanny Ip

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Research group from the State Key Laboratory of Natural and Biomimetic Drugs, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Peking University revealed Carbon Quantum Dots-Based Nanozyme from Coffee Induces Cancer Cell Ferroptosis to Activate Antitumor Immunity

屠鹏飞/曾克武团队揭示天然产物纳米酶促肿瘤铁死亡机制

原创 SKLNBD 天然药物仿生药物国家重点实验室 2022-05-28 12:43 发表于北京

近日,我室屠鹏飞/曾克武团队在国际学术期刊 ACS Nano 上发表了题为 "Carbon quantum dots-based nanozyme from coffee induces cancer cell ferroptosis to activate anti-tumor immunity" 的研究论文, 深入揭示了天然活性分子绿原酸(chlorogenic acid)所形成的碳量子点以纳米酶的独特作用方式促进肿瘤细胞 铁死亡的分子机制。





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长期以来,关于天然产物的研究大多聚焦于单体分子的生物学活性,而很多天然单体分子 会在药材炮制及食品加工过程的高温中形成纳米物质,特别是碳量子点,进而在更大的物 理尺度上发挥独特的生物学效应,但是相关研究目前尚不多见。

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Professor Lyu Aiping, Dr Kennedy Y.H. Wong Endowed Professor in Chinese Medicine and Dean of the School of Chinese Medicine at HKBU, has been elected as a Foreign Member of the Academia Europaea.

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The world's first WHO Global Centre for Traditional Medicine founded in India to catalyse ancient wisdom and modern science for the health of people and the planet

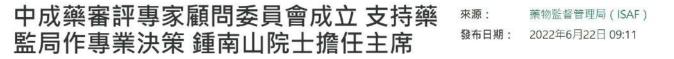


The WHO Global Centre for Traditional Medicine (GCTM) is a knowledge centre for traditional medicine. As part of WHO's overall traditional medicine strategy, it has a strategic focus on evidence and learning, data and analytics, sustainability and equity, and innovation and technology to optimize the contribution of traditional medicine to global health and sustainable development. At the same time, respect for local heritages, resources and rights is a guiding principle.

Now being established with the support of the Government of India, the Centre reflects the WHO Director-General's leadership vision that harnessing the potential of traditional medicine would be a game changer for health when founded on evidence, innovation and sustainability. The Prime Minister and Government of India are supporting the establishment of the WHO Global Centre for Traditional Medicine in Jamnagar, Gujarat, India, as a global good and in the spirit of Vasudhaiva Kudumbakam: the world is one family.

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In Macau SAR, "Commission of Experts and Advisors for the Appraisal of Traditional Chinese Medicines" was established to support Pharmaceutical Administration Bureau of Macau in making professional decisions, with academician Nanshan Zhong as chairman, and 16 TCM expert members.







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Prof Jing-Yan Han, Professor and Chairman of Department of Integration of Chinese and Western Medicine, Peking University Health Science Center and Director of the Tasly Microcirculation Research Center, Peking University Health Science Center., gave an excellent lecture on his journey as a professor in integrative Chinese medicine at Peking University. It can make an excellent learning material for our members who can understand Chinese — the lecture and discussions were in Chinese.



# 我走过的教授路

- 主讲人: 韩晶岩 教授
- 主持人:杨宝学 副院长
- 时间: 2022年6月16日(星期四)

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Recommended reading and/or recent research highlight



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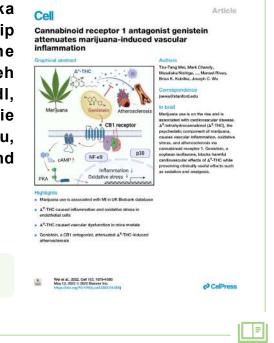


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Details: <u>http://www.icmm.ac.cn/Article/tzgg/2022/03/03/2440.html</u> Details in English: <u>https://uofmacau-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/jesskuok\_umac\_mo/EkR-cgGr-HZPizDKNpOGQ7oB2KYviavj-u3C4H1De6m\_JQ?e=Ay7SoD</u>



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Associate/Assistant Professor, Chinese Medicinal Science, University of Macau, China.

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# Tenure-Track Associate Professor/Assistant Professor, School of Chinese Medicine Hong Kong University

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Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Centre for Chinese Herbal Medicine Drug Development, School of Chinese Medicine

Hong Kong Baptist University

Details: <u>https://hro.hkbu.edu.hk/index.php?page\_id=6&job\_id=6206&f=job\_details</u>

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow (Clinical Research), Centre for Chinese Herbal Medicine Drug Development, School of Chinese Medicine

Hong Kong Baptist University

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Post-Doctoral Research Fellow (Bioinformatics), Centre for Chinese Herbal Medicine Drug Development, School of Chinese Medicine

Hong Kong Baptist University

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Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship Programme

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Government of Ireland Postdoctoral Fellowship Programme

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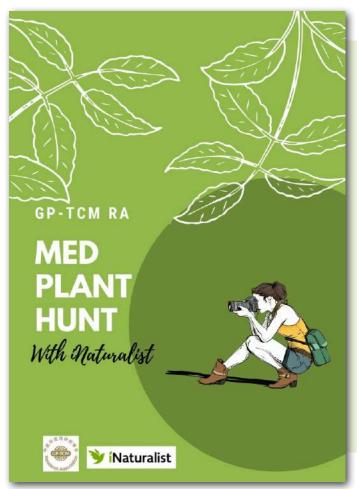
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Details: <u>https://sklqrcm.um.edu.mo/doctoral-degree-in-biomedical-</u> science/



## Med Plant Hunt with iNaturalist



#### **Rules & Guidelines:**

iNaturalist is a nature app to help you identify the animals and plants around you and provide a platform to connect you and experts to share about nature. Users can record and share their observations and the findings can enrich scientific data repositories like the Global Biodiversity Information Facility.

Create your own account and share your wild medicinal plant observation to mobile iNaturalist app or iNaturalist website. In order to promote conservation of wildlife, especially wild medicinal plant and TCM herbs, and their environment, a challenge on **"Med Plant Hunt"** is launched.

The aim of challenge is to encourage our members to identify and recognize the morphological features of living wild medicinal plant in nature.

#### **Eligibility:**

Med Plant Hunt is free and open to all GP-TCM RA members.

Entries must abide by the guidelines below.

#### How to enter:

1.Complete the registration form with iNaturalist user ID.

2.Make the observation of living wild medicinal plant around you with iNaturalist app/website.

3. With the submitted iNaturalist ID, your observation for entry will be automatically recorded and results will be announced in the coming issue of the newsletter.



For inquiries about Med Plant Hunt, please send email to

gptcm\_medplanthunt@outlook.com



Registration form How to upload



### Med Plant Hunt with iNaturalist

#### **Prizes:**



- Adventurous Observer: The highest number of observed species
- TCM Photographer: Best photo shoot
- Lucky Observer: Observe rare species



The selected entries will be published on the next issue of the newsletter. An electronic certificate and **a complementary gift** (e.g. water bottle ideal for outdoor activities, sponsored by Macau Pharmacology Association) will be given.





## **Med Plant Hunt Registration Form**

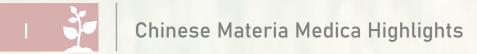
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Peppergrass (*Lepidium apetalum*, Brassicaceae, 独行菜, left) and flixweed (*Descurainia sophia*, Brassicaceae, 播娘蒿, right)



The dried ripe seeds of peppergrass and flixweed are listed under the same entry as Chinese medicinal *tinglizi* (lepidii/descurainiae semen) in Chinese Pharmacopoeia. Recorded in mainstream materia medica as well, *tinglizi* drains the lung, relieves wheezing, disinhibits water, and reduces edema. It is indicated for cough and wheezing that worsens if lying flat due to phlegm accumulation, edema or fluid accumulation in the chest and abdomen, as well as urinary difficulty.

As discussed here, the seeds of 2 plants from different genera yet the same family are used as Chinese medicinal *tinglizi*. In commerce, however, the seed of peppergrass (lepidii semen) is known as northern *tinglizi* as its medicinal material is primarily produced in the northern and north-eastern regions of China; and the seed of flixweed (descurainiae semen) is known as southern *tinglizi* as it is mainly produced in the eastern and central southern regions. It is believed in traditional Chinese medicine practice that the draining action of lepidii semen is stronger than that of descurainiae semen. In this regard, detailed comparative studies on their chemical components and pharmacological activities should be conducted to further investigate the relationship of plant species and their therapeutic effects.

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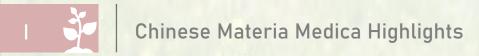
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The above colour photographs, English texts and Chinese poems are contributed by **Prof Hubiao Chen** (Hong Kong), **Dr Ping Guo** (Hong Kong) and **Prof Jiqing Liu** (Shenzhen), respectively. This column is advised by **Prof Zhongzhen Zhao** (Hong Kong).

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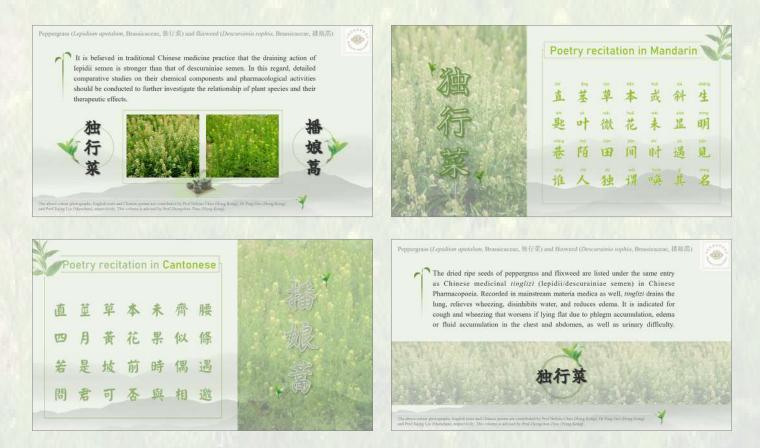
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