



IVERMECTIN - THE UNSUNG HERO IN THE WAR AGAINST COVID

Covid-19 deaths and fear of the virus have paralysed the world, destroying lives and livelihoods. Yet, to date, remarkably few treatments have been identified and shared by global health authorities to reduce hospitalisations and deaths linked to the virus.

In spite of this vacuum, many doctors have been quietly but successfully using a medicine called **Ivermectin** to treat people with covid-19.

In the past year, the list of countries that use Ivermectin for the prevention and treatment of the virus has grown to include the Czech Republic, Bolivia, Honduras, Peru, Slovakia, South Africa, and Zimbabwe, among others. And based on the latest evidence, doctors and scientists are now calling for Ivermectin's approval in every country of the world.



WHAT IS IVERMECTIN?

Ivermectin is a medication that has been widely used for around forty years to treat parasitic infections in adults and children. It is considered safe and effective and is notable for its antiviral and anti-inflammatory properties. More than 3½ billion doses of Ivermectin have been given worldwide. It is included in the World Health Organization (WHO) Model List of Essential Medicines and in 2015 its discoverers won a Nobel Prize in Medicine for the drug.



In December 2020, Dr Tess Lawrie, a medical doctor and researcher based in Bath, who runs the Evidence-Based Medicine Consultancy (E-BMC), became interested in the Ivermectin story after having seen Dr Pierre Kory pleading with the US State Senate to allow doctors to prescribe Ivermectin for use against the coronavirus. After examining the studies that Dr Kory referenced, Dr Lawrie and her team of experienced researchers at the E-BMC reviewed and assessed the evidence on Ivermectin for covid-19 and shared it widely in the UK and internationally.



Dr Tess Lawrie

IVERMECTIN COULD CHANGE EVERYTHING

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The stark evidence from the E-BMC review team showed that people with Covid-19 who were treated with Ivermectin were approximately 70% less likely to die than people who didn't receive Ivermectin.

In practical terms this means that, in a hospital where nine people out of a 100 die from covid, Ivermectin could reduce this number to three per 100. The review also shows that symptoms of the virus were less likely to worsen if a person received Ivermectin.

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In addition, the researchers also found clear evidence on the use of Ivermectin for prevention of Covid-19 among people at high risk of infection, such as health care workers and Covid-19 contacts. This showed that Ivermectin may prevent 4 out of every 5 covid infections among these high-risk groups.

In February 2021, Dr Lawrie presented the evidence to a panel of health professionals and other stakeholders. After hearing the evidence, the 65-strong BIRD panel recommended that Ivermectin be implemented immediately for the prevention and treatment of Covid-19. Dr Lawrie's team then urgently shared the BIRD recommendation with the relevant UK policy and decision makers – including the Therapeutics Task Force, the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE), the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA), as well as other international regulatory bodies and implementers.

SO WHY IS IVERMECTIN NOT GETTING APPROVED IN THE UK?

The answer to this question is complex and involves some uncomfortable truths about the way this pandemic has been handled, both on a national and global level. But against all the odds we at BiRD are working to make change happen.

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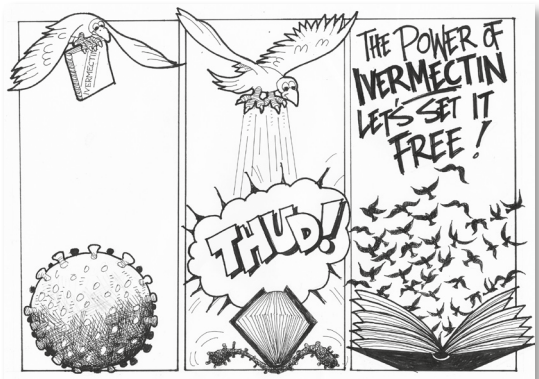
BiRD's mission is to empower you with knowledge about the benefits of Ivermectin because we want you to make use of basic human rights to access an essential medicine. You can help us by doing your own research, talking to your GP, writing to your MP and talking to people you know about Ivermectin.

Please visit our website: bird-group.org for further information, letter templates and research evidence. Join our mailing list there.

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