

## Study: VZV Can Cause Life-Threatening Inflammation of the Pancreas; CBCD Examines the Medical Evidence

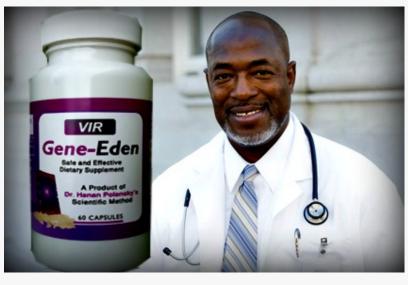
"Although generally non-lethal, VZV infection can be associated with serious complications, particularly in adults." (1)

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"Infected with the varicella zoster virus (the virus that causes chickenpox and shingles)? The CBCD recommends taking Novirin or Gene-Eden-VIR." - Greg Bennett, CBCD

The varicella zoster virus (VZV) is a herpes virus, which causes both chickenpox and shingles. A new study showed that VZV can cause a serious, possibly life-threatening condition called Acute Pancreatitis. WebMD describes the disease in the following manner: "Acute pancreatitis can result in bleeding into the gland, serious tissue damage, infection, and cyst formation. Severe pancreatitis can also harm other vital organs such as the heart, lungs, and kidneys." (See WebMD, last reviewed on May 15, 2013.) (2) Dr. Zhen Wang and colleagues wrote that "acute pancreatitis should be considered in VZV patients who complain of abdominal pain, especially in the epigastric area. Early detection and proper treatment are needed to prevent the condition from deteriorating further and to minimize mortality." (1) Dr. Wang is from the Cancer Institute, the Second Affiliated Hospital, Zhejiang University School of Medicine in Hangzhou, China.





The Center for the Biology of Chronic Disease (CBCD) recommends that VZV infected individuals take Novirin or Gene-Eden-VIR. These natural antiviral supplements have a formula that was designed to help the immune system target the latent form of the Varicella Zoster Virus. The formula was also shown to be effective against herpes viruses in two

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The formula of Novirin and Gene-Eden-VIR was tested by Hanan Polansky and Edan Itzkovitz from the CBCD. The studies showed that the Novirin and Gene-Eden-VIR formula is effective against the herpes family of viruses. Varicella Zoster is a member of the herpes family. The clinical studies were published in the peer reviewed, medical journal Pharmacology & Pharmacy, the first, in a special edition on Advances in Antiviral Drugs. Study authors wrote that, "individuals infected with the (herpes viruses) ... reported a safe decrease in their symptoms following treatment with Gene-Eden-VIR." (3) The study authors also wrote that, "we observed a statistically significant decrease in the severity, duration, and frequency of symptoms." (3)

Both products can be ordered online on the Novirin and Gene-Eden-VIR websites.

Novirin and Gene-Eden-VIR are natural antiviral dietary supplements. Their formula contains five natural ingredients: Selenium, Camellia Sinesis Extract, Quercetin, Cinnamomum Extract, and Licorice Extract. The first ingredient is a trace element, and the other four are plant extracts. Each ingredient and its dose was chosen through a scientific approach. Scientists at polyDNA, the company that invented and patented the formula, scanned thousands of scientific and medical papers published in various medical and scientific journals, and identified the safest and most effective natural ingredients against latent viruses. To date, Novirin and Gene-Eden-VIR are the only natural antiviral products on the market with published clinical studies that support their claims.

The CDC notes that the varicella zoster virus (VZV), which is a herpes virus, causes both chickenpox and shingles. "After a person recovers from chickenpox, the virus stays dormant (inactive) in the body. For reasons that are not fully known, the virus can reactivate years later, causing shingles." (4) Additionally, the CDC adds that "almost 1 out of every 3 people in the United States will develop shingles, also known as zoster or herpes zoster, in their lifetime. There are an estimated 1 million cases of shingles each year in this country. Anyone who has recovered from chickenpox may develop shingles; even children can get shingles. However the risk of shingles increases as you get older. About half of all cases occur in men and women 60 years old or older." (See the CDC, last reviewed on May 1, 2014) (4)

In the study mentioned above, Dr. Wang wrote further that "Although the mechanism of pancreatitis with herpes zoster is still unknown, VZV may remain latent in posterior sensory nerve roots that contain fibers from both skin and abdominal viscera, including the pancreas." (1) This is just one reason the CBCD recommends helping the immune system to target the latent VZV.

Are there treatments currently on the market, which target the Varicella Zoster Virus (VZV)?

Yes there are.

Zostavax is a vaccine that may reduce the risk of developing a shingles outbreak, and decrease the long-term pain from post-herpetic neuralgia (PHN). In adults vaccinated at age 60 years or older, however, protection from the vaccine decreases within the first 5 years after vaccination. (4)

There are also antiviral drugs, such as Zovirax or Valtrex. However, these medications, when effective, only work to shorten the time of the shingles outbreak. They are ineffective against the latent VZV virus. (4)

Gene-Eden-VIR and Novirin are natural remedies designed to help the immune system target latent herpes viruses, including the VZV. (3)

"It's encouraging that scientists are beginning to recognize the dangers posed by latent viruses. At the CBCD, our main focus of research is latent viruses and the diseases they cause." – Greg Bennett, CBCD

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