

Review

Molluscan Compounds Provide Drug Leads for the Treatment and Prevention of Respiratory Disease

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Supplementary information

Database search criteria

Databases Scopus, Web of Science and PubMed were searched for biomedical literature using search strings “mollusc OR mollusk OR molluscan OR hemocyanin OR haemocyanin” AND “antimicrobial OR antibacterial OR antiviral OR anti-inflammatory OR vaccine OR (lung AND cancer)” AND “in-vitro OR in-vivo OR (clinical AND trial)”, which returned 861 hits minus duplicates (as of October, 2020). Additional targeted searches included “mollusc OR mollusk OR hemocyanin OR klh” AND “asthma OR copd OR bronchitis OR influenza OR pneumonia OR tuberculosis OR (respiratory AND disease)” and key respiratory pathogens including “(mycobacterium AND tuberculosis) OR pneumoniae OR (haemophilus AND influenzae) OR rhinovirus OR adenovirus OR (moraxella AND catarrhalis) OR (pseudomonas AND aeruginosa)”.

For literature regarding traditional medicinal applications, database searches used the words: “mollusc OR mollusk OR molluscan” AND “traditional OR folk OR Indigenous OR Aboriginal OR historical OR natural” AND “medicine OR ethnomedicine OR remedy” which returned 113 hits minus duplicates (as of July, 2020).

Table S1: Traditional medicinal uses of molluscs for respiratory related conditions used in ancient and modern cultures around the world appearing in ethnomedical texts and peer-reviewed articles.

Class Family Species	Region	Traditional remedy (rem) or local species (sp) name	Part used	Respiratory ailment/disease used to treat ¹	Preparation and application	Reference
Bivalvia						
Megalobulimidae						
<i>Megalobulimus oblongus</i>	South America	NA	Whole animal	Asthma	NA	[1]
Mytilidae						
<i>Mytilus unguiculatus</i> ²	Korea	Honghap (sp)	Whole animal	Fever ³	Decoction, taken orally	[2]
Ostreidae						
<i>Crassostrea rhizophorae</i>	South America	NA	Flesh and shell	Pneumonia; flu; tuberculosis; cancer ⁴	NA	[1]
<i>Ostrea edulis</i>	Europe	Calcarea carbonica (homeopathic rem)	Shell (inner layer)	Catarrh; laryngismus; asthma; hypersensitivity (asthma and ENT allergies); upper respiratory tract infections in children	One pill or five drops of the remedy every hr for intense symptoms, or 4 hr for milder ones	[3-5]
Pteriidae						
<i>Pinctada margaritifera</i> (and other <i>Pinctada</i> sp.)	India	Mukta bhasma (rem)	Pearl (ash)	Cough; asthma; phthisis ⁵ ; low fevers ⁶	Pearls boiled in juices of <i>Sesbania</i> sp. leaves and flowers then calcined and powdered; transferred to a lemon and stored in paddy before being heated and ashed; ash given twice daily w honey; can be combined w other medicines	[6]
Teredinidae						
<i>Neoteredo reynei</i>	South America	NA	NA	Tuberculosis	NA	[1]
<i>Lyrodus pedicellatus</i> ⁷	South America	NA	NA	Tuberculosis	NA	[1]
Veneridae						
<i>Anomalocardia brasiliiana</i> ⁸	South America	NA	Flesh and shell	Asthma; flu	NA	[1]
Cephalopoda						
Loliginidae						
<i>Loligo</i> sp.	South America (north/north-eastern Brazil)	Lula (sp)	Shell	Asthma	NA	[7]
Loliginidae, <u>Octopodidae</u>						
<i>Loligo</i> sp. and <i>Octopus</i> sp.	South America (Brazil)	NA	Shell and flesh	Asthma	Tea of toasted cuttlefish bones or octopi arms	[8]
<u>Octopodidae</u>						
<i>Octopus vulgaris</i>	Ancient Greece	Polypus (sp)	Flesh	Heavy nasal congestion w fever; infectious diseases; low immunity ⁹	Flesh boiled or roasted	[9]
Sepiidae						
<i>Sepia officinalis</i>	Europe	Sepia (homeopathic rem)	Ink	ENT and pulmonary allergies in children and adults	NA; usually in combination w other drugs	[5]
<i>S. officinalis</i>	India	NA	Shell	Ear pain; inflammation; otorrhoea	Powdered, used as a dusting powder; fine scraping of bone added to sweet oil or sesame oil and instilled into ears	[6]
<i>S. officinalis</i>	Ancient Greece (~800 BC)	Sepia (sp)	Flesh	Low immunity	Flesh boiled	[9]
Gastropoda						
Achatinidae						

Abbreviations: NA: data not available; w: with; ENT: ear, nose and throat.

¹ Some traditional remedies have numerous applications and may be used to treat ailments/diseases other than those relating to the respiratory system; please refer to references for additional uses

² Listed as *Mytilus coruscus* (Gould 1861)

³ Not specific to respiratory disease, although a common symptom of respiratory infection

⁴ Not specific to respiratory cancer

⁵ Also known as pulmonary tuberculosis

⁶ Not specific to respiratory disease, although a common symptom of respiratory infection

⁷ Listed as *Teredo pedicellata* (Quatrefages 1849)

⁸ Listed as *Anomalocardia brasiliiana* (Gmelin 1791)

⁹ Generally written as “strengthens body’s immune system”; not specific to respiratory disease, however may assist with prevention and reduced duration of infection; included for the purpose of this review to capture the range of applications for traditional molluscan medicines

<i>Limicolaria aurora</i>	Nigeria	Okoso (sp)	Mucus	Cough	Heat slightly; fluid taken orally from the shell 2-3 times daily	[10]
Ampullariidae						
<i>Lanistes ovum</i>	Nigeria	Okpaamu (sp)	Mucus	Cough	Puncture the flesh to obtain fluid; take 1 tablespoonful twice daily	[10]
<i>Pomacea lineata</i>	South America	Arua (sp)	Ova (eggs)	Asthma	NA	[10]
<i>Plia globosa</i>	Nagaland (northern India)	Different sp. names among tribes ¹⁰	Flesh	Asthma; tuberculosis	Flesh cooked and eaten	[11]
Aplysiidae						
<i>Aplysia depilans</i>	Middle East (Middle ages)	NA	NA	Dyspnoea; dry cough; haemoptysis	NA	[12]
Cassidae						
<i>Cassis tuberosa</i>	South America	NA	NA	Asthma	NA	[1]
Cypraeidae						
<i>Monetaria moneta</i> ¹¹	India	Cowrie hasma (rem), Kapardika (sp.)	Shell	Asthma; cough; ear ache; used as expectorant in chronic bronchitis	Calx (powder) prepared from shell taken orally; instillation of ash with lemon juice for ear ache	[6]
Charoniidae						
<i>Charonia tritonis</i>	Ancient Greece	Keryx (sp)	Flesh and shell	Ear pain; low immunity; parotid gland swelling	Flesh applied directly for ear pain; flesh taken internally to strengthen immune system; ashes of burned shell for gland swelling ¹²	[9]
Limacidae						
<i>Limax</i> sp.	China (since 1596)	NA	Body	Wheeze, pharyngitis, asthma	NA	[13]
Helicidae						
<i>Helix pomatia</i> (and other large terrestrial snail sp.)	Europe (particularly France) 1800's – modern day	Snail syrup (rem) later Helicine (or pertussidine or pomaticine) (rem)	Mucus (or whole)	Cough and cold; whooping cough; chronic bronchitis; tonsillitis; pharyngitis; hoarseness; sore throat; influenza; croup; nervous cough in children; pneumonia and pulmonary phthisis; anthrax; acute and chronic chest ailments; weakness; cough associated w measles, fever and other inflammatory conditions; scrofula	Helicine- transparent yellow oil extract taken orally; snail formulations also include snail sugar, tablets, syrup, paste, chocolate and ointment; snail water for TB (between one and six ounces); snail paste with donkey milk	[14] and references therein
Littorinidae						
<i>Littorina littorea</i>	Nigeria	Esiemu (sp)	Mucus	Inner ear ¹³ /sinus inflammation	Crack the shell at the tail of the live animal to obtain fluid; instill 1-3 drops in ear twice daily	[10]
<i>Littoraria angulifera</i> ¹⁴	South America	Mela-pau (sp)	Flesh	Chesty cough; shortness of breath	NA	[1]
Lymnaeidae						
<i>Lymnaea</i> sp.	North-eastern India	Chengkawl (sp)	Flesh	Measles	Boiled in water, then flesh is removed and eaten	[15]
Muricidae						
Unidentified sp.	Ancient southern India	Nakhi (rem)	Opercula	Remove phlegm; destroy poison	Used in incense and medicinal oil, heated in clarified butter or cooked w honey	[16] [17]
<i>Chicoreus virgineus</i>	Medieval Eastern Mediterranean Genizah (Cairo)	Blatta (rem)	Opercula	Tumors; eye and ear diseases	NA	[16] [18]
<i>Hexaplex trunculus</i> , <i>Bolinus brandaris</i> and <i>Stramonita haemastoma</i> ¹⁵	Ancient Greece	Banded dye murex, spiny dye murex, rock-shell (sp)	Shell and operculum	Parotid gland swelling and hearing loss; inflammatory conditions	Operculum pulverised and mixed w oil and vinegar	[9]
Onchidiidae						
<i>Onchidium reevesii</i>	China	NA	Body	Asthma	NA	[19]
Turbinellidae						

¹⁰ Jemna, Noula, Achokibo, Mongkoum, Kyakyiro, Shunyaknaloong, Nuyushu, Chakuthe, Yebo, Khapjo

¹¹ Listed as *Cypraea moneta* (Linnaeus 1758)

¹² Unclear whether applied directly or taken internally

¹³ Listed a treatment for inner ear inflammation, though more likely a treatment for middle ear inflammation/infection relating to topical application to tympanic membrane

¹⁴ Listed as *Littorina angulifera* (Lamarck 1822)

¹⁵ Listed as *Thais haemastoma* (Linnaeus 1767)

<i>Turbinella rapa</i> or <i>T. pyrum</i> ¹⁶	India	Sankha (sp), Sankha bhasma (rem)	Shell (ash), flesh	Asthma; tuberculosis and tumours (flesh); excessive mucus, sore throat, earache, high fevers and cough (shell powder)	Shells incinerated to powder (calcined); prepared into pills, salves and pastes	[6]
Veronicellidae Unidentified sp.	South America (north/north-eastern Brazil)	Lesma (sp)	Whole animal	Sore throat	NA	[20]
<u>Viviparidae</u> <i>Filopaludina</i> sp.	North Bihar, India	NA	Foot	Asthma	Soup prepared from foot and taken orally	[21]

¹⁶ Listed as *Xancus pyrum* (Linnaeus 1767)

Table S2: Traditional Chinese medicines (TCMs) derived from molluscs relevant to the treatment of respiratory disease listed in the Chinese *Marine Materia Medica* [22] presented directly as translated by L. Liu.

Class Family Species ¹	Traditional remedy name	Part used	Respiratory ailment/disease used to treat	Preparation and application
Bivalvia				
Anomiidae, Placunidae <i>Placuna placenta</i> , <i>P. ephippium</i> , <i>Enigmnomia aenigmatica</i> , <i>Anomia chinensis</i>	Hai Yue	Flesh and shell	Measles; retention of sputum ²	Boil flesh and eat (30-60 g each time); grind powder for infusion and ingest
Arcidae <i>Anadara inaequalis</i>	Bi Na Han	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes ³ ; cough	Decoct the crushed shell and ingest (15-50 g each time)
Arcidae, Noetiidae, Limidae 17 sp.	Wa Leng Zi	Shell	Phlegm in hypochondrium; chronic cough; scrofula	Decoct and ingest (9-15 g each time); grind into powder for infusion (1.5-3 g); ustulate (scorch) the shell, grind into powder and apply externally
Donacidae <i>Donax faba</i>	Dou Fu Ge Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes; cough and phlegm	Decoct and ingest (15-50 g each time)
<i>D. faba</i>	Fu Ge Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes	Ustulate the shell, decoct and ingest.
Glauconomidae <i>Glauconome chinensis</i>	Lu Lang Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes	Decoct and ingest (15-50 g each time)
Lucinidae, Carditidae, Semelidae, Glossidae 9 sp.	Man Yue Ge Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes; cough and phlegm	Grind into powder and ingest, or decoct and ingest (15-50 g)
Mactridae, Astartidae <i>Macra quadrangularis</i> (or <i>Astarte borealis</i>) ⁴ , <i>Lutraria rhynchaena</i> ⁵ , <i>M. grandis</i> ⁶ , <i>M. inaequalis</i>	Ge Li/Ge Li Fen	Flesh and shell	Retention of phlegm; asthmatic cough; scrofula; edema ⁷	Decoct crushed shell and ingest (50–100 g each time), grind into powder and ingest or apply externally
Mactridae, Psammobiidae <i>Macra antiquata</i> , <i>Haitula diphos</i>	Xi Shi She	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes; conjunctive congestion with swelling and pain ⁸ ; pharyngalgia	Ustulate the shell, decoct and ingest.
Myidae <i>Mya arenaria</i>	Sha Hai Lang	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes	Decoct and ingest (15-30 g each time)
Ostreidae, Grypaeidae 12 sp.	Mu Li	Flesh and shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes; cancer and neoadjuvant treatment ⁹ ; scrofula	Smash flesh and apply externally
Pharidae <i>Simonovacula constricta</i>	Cheng Ke	Shell	Sore throat	Ingest calcined and pulverised powder (3-6 g) with water
Psammobiidae <i>Gari maculosa</i> , <i>Gari radiata</i> , <i>G. elongata</i> ¹⁰ , <i>Asaphis violascens</i> , <i>Nuttallia obscurata</i> ¹¹ , <i>S. virescens</i> , <i>S. chinensis</i>	Zi Yun Ge	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes; cough and phlegm	Decoct and ingest (15-50 g each time)
Pteriidae <i>Isognomon isognomum</i> , <i>I. perna</i> , <i>I. nucleus</i> , <i>I. legumen</i>	Qian Ge	Adductor muscle	High fever and convulsion (children) ¹² ; tuberculosis of lymph nodes; cough and phlegm	Decoct and ingest (15-25 g each time) or grind into powder and ingest

¹ For the purpose of this table, the complete list of species is provided where the remedy comprises ≤8 sp. For those remedies comprising >8 sp, a comprehensive list of species is available upon request of the authors

² Retention of sputum, retention of phlegm and retention of fluid in chest also known as pulmonary congestion

³ The bacteria that cause pulmonary tuberculosis can cause symptoms outside the lungs; “tuberculosis of lymph nodes” is one of the most common extrapulmonary manifestations of tuberculosis, whereas “scrofula” (or cervical lymphadenopathy) refers specifically to tuberculosis of the lymph nodes in the neck (Jha et al 2001). Although these definitions may be interchangeable, the information presented remains directly as translated (Liu, pers. com).

⁴ Listed as *M. veneriformis* (Reeve 1854/Wood 1828)

⁵ Listed as *L. australis* (Reeve 1854)

⁶ Listed as *M. mera* (Reeve 1854)

⁷ Not specific to respiratory system though included as lung edema may accompany other ailments listed

⁸ Typically a secondary manifestation of respiratory infection

⁹ Not specific to cancer of the respiratory system

¹⁰ Listed as *Sanguinolaria elongata*, (Lamarck 1818)

¹¹ Listed as *S. olivacea* (Jay 1857)

¹² Not specific to respiratory disease, however may accompany respiratory infection

<i>Pinctada imbricata</i> ¹³ , <i>P. margaritifera</i> , <i>P. maxima</i> , <i>P. chemnitzii</i> , <i>Electroma alacovi</i> ¹⁴ , <i>Pteria heteroptera</i> ¹⁵ , <i>P. penguin</i>	Zhen Zhu/Zhen Zhu Mu	Pearl/shell hypostracum and prismatic layer	Pharyngitis; retention of fluid in chest; cough and regurgitation; conjunctive congestion; bleeding from five aperture or subcutaneous tissue (e.g. eye, ear, nose, teeth, tongue) ¹⁶	Grind pearl into powder and ingest (0.3-1 g each time) or apply externally; grind shell into powder and apply externally
Solenidae, Pharidae, Solecurtidae 13 sp.	Ma Dao	Shell	Sore throat; retention of phlegm and fluid	Decoct and ingest (5-15 g)
Tellinidae 15 sp.	Ying Ge Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes; cough and phlegm	Ustulate the shell, grind into powder and ingest
Veneridae 10 sp.	Hai Ge Ke	Shell	Asthma; scrofula	Decoct and ingest (10-25 g each time); grind into powder and apply externally
<i>Ruditapes philippinarum</i> , <i>R. variegatus</i> ¹⁷ (or <i>Venerupis aspera</i>)	Ge Zai	Flesh and shell	Asthmatic cough	Boil and eat flesh, decoct and ingest; or ustulate (scorch) the shell, grind into powder and apply externally
<i>Mercenaria mercenaria</i>	Ying Ke Ge	Shell	Dyspnoea with cough; scrofula	Decoct and ingest (10-15 g each time)
<i>Paphia amabilis</i>	He Ai Ba Fei Ge	Shell	Phlegmatic heat and cough; tuberculosis of lymph nodes; pain in sternum ¹⁸	Decoct and ingest (10-15 g each time)
<i>Macra chinensis</i>	Ke	Shell	Cough and phlegm	Decoct the crushed shell and ingest (20-50 g each time), grind into powder and apply externally
13 sp.	Wen Ge Rou	Flesh	Cough with dyspnoea and chest stuffiness; scrofula	Boil and eat flesh (30-60 g)
<i>Paphia lirata</i>	Wen Ban Ba Fei Ge	Shell	Cough and phlegm; chronic tracheitis	Decoct and ingest (10-15 g)
10 sp.	Ge Ke	Shell	Phlegmatic heat and cough; scrofula; pain in sternum	Decoct the crushed shell and ingest (10-15 g each time) or grind into powder and apply externally
<i>Meretrix lamarckii</i>	Fu Wen Ge/Fu Wen Ge Ke	Shell and flesh	Scrofula; cough	Decoct and ingest (6-15 g each time) or grind into powder and apply externally
<i>Protapes gallus</i>	Ju Chi Ba Fei Ge	Shell	Scrofula	Decoct and ingest (10-15 g each time)
Cephalopoda Sepiidae 9 sp.	Hai Piao Xiao	Cuttlebone	Bleeding from five aperture or subcutaneous tissue (e.g. eye, ear, nose, teeth, tongue)	Decoct and ingest (10-30 g)
Gastropoda Aplysiidae <i>Bursatella leachii</i> , <i>Aplysia argus</i> , <i>A. kurodai</i> , <i>A. dactyломela</i> , <i>Dolabella auricularia</i>	Hai Fen	Egg masses	Xeropulmonary cough ¹⁹ ; dyspnoea with cough; tuberculosis; scrofula; tuberculosis of lymph nodes; epistaxis ²⁰	Decoct and ingest (30-60 g each time)
Buccinidae, Nassariidae <i>Neptunea cumingii</i> , <i>Phos senticosus</i>	Xiang Luo	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes	Decoct and ingest (15-25 g each time) or apply externally
Conidae 23 sp.	Yu Luo Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes	Decoct and ingest (15-25 g each time) or ustulate the shell, grind into powder and ingest (3-6 g)
Cypraeidae 11 sp.	Bai Bei	Shell	Acute and chronic sinusitis	Decoct and ingest (5-15 g each time)
10 sp.	Zi Bei	Shell	Children with fever; conjunctive congestion with swelling and pain; acute and chronic sinusitis; measles; heat toxicity; headache ²¹	Decoct and ingest (15-25 g each time)
<i>Lyncina carneola</i>	Rou Se Bao Bei	Shell	Acute and chronic sinusitis; high fever	Grind into powder, decoct and ingest (5-15 g each time)

¹³ Listed as *Pinctada fucata martensii* (Dunker 1880)

¹⁴ Listed as *Electroma ovata* (Quoy & Gaimard 1835)

¹⁵ Listed as *Pteria breviaalata* (Dunker 1872)

¹⁶ Unclear whether specific to respiratory disease; may be caused by secondary infection

¹⁷ Listed as *R. variegata* [sic]

¹⁸ Not specific to respiratory disease, however may be symptomatic of inflammation or persistent cough

¹⁹ Also known as dry cough

²⁰ Arises from burst blood vessels in nose; may be due to allergies, sinus and nasal infections, coughing and sneezing, as well as non-respiratory ailments or trauma

²¹ Heat toxicity (?) and headache may accompany other listed respiratory ailments

<i>Naria erosa</i> ²²	Yan Qiu Bei	Shell	Phlegm; tuberculosis of lymph nodes; conjunctive congestion with swelling and pain; fullness sensation in chest and shortness of breath	Grind into powder, decoct and ingest (5-15 g each time)
Fasciolariidae				
<i>Filifusus filamentosus</i> ²³ , <i>Pleuroploca trapezium</i>	Xi Lei Luo Ke	Shell	Phlegm; cough	Decoct and ingest (15-30 g each time)
Ficidae				
<i>Ficus gracilis</i> , <i>F. subintermedia</i> ²⁴ , <i>F. ficus</i>	Pi Ba Luo Ke	Shell	Children with fever; night sweating; chronic tracheitis; feverish sensation in chest	Grind into powder, decoct and ingest (15-25 g each time)
Haliotidae				
9 sp.	Bao Yu	Flesh	Cough	Boil and eat the flesh or decoct and ingest (fresh 6-9 g each time or sun-dried 15-50 g each time)
Haminoeidae				
<i>Bullacta caurina</i> ²⁵	Tu Tie	Flesh	Pharyngitis; tuberculosis; cough	Boil flesh and eat moderate amount (about 30 – 200 g each time)
Harpidae, Cassidae				
<i>Morum cancellatum</i> , <i>Phalium areola</i> , <i>Cassis cornuta</i> , <i>Semicassis bisulcata</i> , <i>P. flammiferum</i> , <i>P. glaucum</i>	Guan Luo Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes	Grind into powder, decoct and ingest (15-50 g each time)
Melongenidae				
<i>Hemifusus tuba</i> , <i>Brunneifusus ternatanus</i> ²⁶	Jiao Luo/Jiao Luo Yan	Flesh/shell	Otitis media	Grind into powder, decoct and ingest (5-15 g each time); apply flesh externally
Muricidae				
<i>Rapana bezoar</i> , <i>R. rapiformis</i> , <i>R. venosa</i>	Hai Luo/Hai Luo Ke	Flesh/shell	Chest and abdomen heat and pain; scrofula	Boil flesh and eat moderate amount (30-60 g); decoct the shell and ingest (15-30 g); used as medicinal powder- ustulate the shell, grind into powder, mix with sesame oil and apply externally.
Indothais gradata, Reishia luteostoma				
<i>Murex aduncospinosus</i> , <i>M. pecten</i> ²⁸ , <i>Vokesimurex rectirostris</i> , <i>M. ternispina</i> , <i>M. trapa</i> , <i>Nassa francolina</i>	La Luo	Shell	Clear heat ²⁷ ; scrofula; phlegm and cough	Decoct the crushed shell and ingest (15-25 g)
12 sp.	Gu Luo	Shell	Clear heat; otitis media	Decoct the shell and ingest; ustulate the shell, grind into powder and apply externally.
Chicoreus ramosus				
	Ji Luo	Shell	Clear heat; scrofula	Decoct the shell (15-50 g) and ingest; ustulate the shell, grind into powder and apply externally; used for making pills or medicinal powder
Chicoreus brunneus				
<i>Rapana rapiformis</i>	He Ji Luo	Shell	Scrofula	Decoct the shell and ingest
Nacellidae				
<i>Cellana toreuma</i> , <i>C. testudinaria</i>	Jia Qi	Shell	Conjunctive congestion with swelling and pain; scrofula; phlegm	Decoct and ingest (10-15 g each time)
Naticidae				
14 sp.	Yu Luo Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes	Decoct and ingest (15-50 g each time)
Ranellidae, Personidae				
10 sp.	Qian Xian Luo Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes	Grind into powder, decoct and ingest (15-50 g each time)
Strombidae				
10 sp.	Feng Luo Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes	Decoct and ingest (15-25 g each time)
Tonnidae				
<i>Malea pomum</i> , <i>Tonna chinensis</i> ²⁹ , <i>T. galea</i> , <i>T. perdix</i> , <i>T. sulcosa</i>	Chun Luo Ke	Shell	Tuberculosis of lymph nodes; hypertension	Grind into powder or ustulate the shell, decoct and ingest (15-30 g each time)
Turritellidae				
<i>Neohastator fortilirata</i> ³⁰ , <i>Turritella terebra</i> , <i>T. bacillum</i>	Zhui Luo Yan	Operculum	Conjunctive congestion with swelling and pain	Decoct and ingest (15-30 g each time)

Polyplacophora

²² Listed as *Erosaria erosa* (Linnaeus 1758)

²³ Listed as *Pleuroploca filamentosa* (Roding 1798)

²⁴ Listed as *F. ficus (subintermedius)*

²⁵ Listed as *Bullacta exarata* (Philippi 1849)

²⁶ Listed as *H. ternatanus* (Gmeline 1791)

²⁷ Unclear whether “clear heat” refers to fever or otherwise; medicine use to “clear heat” only included in this review if also used for respiratory diseases/symptoms

²⁸ Listed as *M. pecten pecten* (Lightfoot 1786)

²⁹ Also listed as *T. chinensis (magnifica)* (G. B. Sowerby III 1904)

³⁰ Listed as *Turritella fortilirata* (G. B. Sowerby III 1914)

Acanthochitonidae				
<i>Acanthochiton rubrolineata</i>	Hai Shi Bie	Whole	Asthma; pulmonary tuberculosis; bronchitis	Grind into powder and prepared as infusion, or made into capsule or tablet for oral administration (2-6 g each time)
Ischnochitonidae				
<i>Ischnochiton hakodadensis, Lepidozona coreanica, I. boninensis, I. comptus</i>	Cuo Shi Bie	Whole	Asthma; pulmonary tuberculosis; bronchitis	Grind into powder and infusion for oral administration (1-3 g each time)

Table S3: Human clinical trials and *in vivo* animal models using molluscan hemocyanins as vaccine adjuvants/conjugates for respiratory disease.

Mollusc class	Model and study design ¹	Main findings	Effective concentrations ²	Reference
Family				
Gastropoda				
Fissurellidae	Clinical trial involving 13 small-cell lung cancer (SCLC) patients (10 completed) receiving 5-6 s.c. immunisations w Fuc-GM1 (SCLC ganglioside) 30 µg conjugated to KLH (696:1) w QS-21 adjuvant	Fuc-GM1 immunogenicity enhanced by conjugation to KLH and mixture w QS-21 adjuvant; increased IgM and IgG Ab titers despite prior chemotherapy treatment; well-tolerated and non-toxic; antisera antibodies from 6/10 patients bound to H146 (human lung carcinoma) cells	30 µg antigen-KLH conjugate (696:1)	[23] ³
	Randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical trial involving 60 patients w cypress pollen allergy (allergic rhinitis); 3x i.m. immunisations w 250 µg peptide-KLH conjugate (1:2) vaccine (or sucrose placebo) at 28-d intervals + booster; challenged w lyophilised <i>Cupressus sempervirens</i> pollen i.n.	Nasal challenge threshold dose and skin sensitivity not sig different between vac and placebo; IgE lower but not statistically; IgG sig elevated; anti-KLH antibodies not detectable; overall positive Ab response, however the vaccine was not effective against cypress pollen allergy symptoms	250 µg antigen-KLH conjugate (1:2)	[24]
	Double blind, randomised, phase III multicentre clinical trial of Sialyl-TN (STn)-KLH vaccine for metastatic breast cancer involving 1028 women, 38% w metastatic lung cancer (~350 patients) immunised i.m. w STn-KLH conjugate (9%) (or 100 µg KLH controls) ⁴ (monthly-quarterly treatments for up to 50 mo)	High anti-OSM and anti-STN Ab titers in STn-KLH group, none in KLH control group; anti-KLH Ab responses present in both groups, but at lower median levels in the STn-KLH group- higher response to the hapten (STn) than to the carrier (KLH) (appropriately designed vaccine); higher IgM than IgG; no sig dif in median time to progression or survival time between groups; well tolerated	100 µg antigen-KLH conjugate (9%)	[25]
	Combination cancer therapy clinical safety/feasibility study involving 26 patients w advanced treatment refractory cancer (including 4 lung); immature dendritic cells (iDC) mixed w lymphocyte conditioned media + 1 mg KLH injected into metastatic lesions (i.t.t.) followed by i.v. activated T-cells and radiation treatment	Increase in anti-KLH Abs after 36 d (p<0.05); frequency of KLH immunity sig. higher in the complete response group (58.3%) compared to recurrent and progressive disease groups; KLH immunity had better overall survival; no toxicity observed; DCs can acquire co-injected antigens and generate an adaptive immune response	1 mg KLH	[26]
	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> (NTHi) immunisation model using NZ white rabbits (n=2/group) immunised 3x s.c. w one of 3x synthetic NTHi lipo-oligosaccharide (LOS)-related peptides conjugated to KLH in CFA/IFA (or KLH alone) ⁵	All 3 peptide-KLH conjugates elicited high anti-LOS IgM, IgG Ab titers; KLH alone showed lower binding reactivity and Ab titers; other results not specific to KLH treatment	500 µg KLH	[27]
	Acute pneumonia immunisation model using mice (n=20/experiment) immunised w one of 10x <i>P. aeruginosa</i> -derived peptides conjugated to KLH; peptide-KLH w alum administered s.c. twice (+2x boosters); KLH or peptide alone controls (same concs)	Higher anti-peptide IgG Ab titers and opsonic/phagocytic activity w conjugates compared to peptides or KLH alone (p<0.05); KLH alone showed higher Ab titers than some conjugate treatments and increased Ab and opsonic/phagocytic response though not sig dif to naïve mouse sera	150 µg KLH alone; 150 µg antigen-KLH (25:20)	[28]
	Acute pneumonia immunisation-infection model using mice (n=30-50/group) immunised w 50 µg of one of 4x peptide-KLH (or -BSA) conjugates w CT ⁶ administered 2x i.n., before <i>P. aeruginosa</i> pneumonia challenge; carrier only controls- KLH followed by BSA	Higher anti-peptide IgG, IgA Ab titers with conjugation; 47-78% survival depending on protein; survival with conjugates (up to 78%) higher than KLH/BSA alone (46%) (p<0.04)	150 µg KLH alone; 150 µg antigen-KLH (25:20)	[29]
	Influenza immunisation-infection model using C57BL/6 or Balb/c mice (n=5-15/group) immunised i.m. w 5 µg influenza hemagglutinin (HA) stem domain (stemHA), stemHA-KLH or full-length HA w CFA/IFA; challenged i.n. w 50 µL TCID ₅₀ influenza virus (clinical strains)	stemHA-KLH or full-length HA immunisation resulted in high Ab titers and strong recruitment of stem-specific B cells (p<0.01 compared to stem HA alone); poor immune responses to stem HA- relieved by covalent coupling to KLH; can confer broad protection to different strains	5 µg antigen-KLH (ratio NA)	[30]
	Allergic asthma immunotherapy model using Balb/c mice (n=5/group) sensitised i.p. to recombinant grass pollen antigen (rPh1) then challenged i.n. to aerosol rPh1; 6x s.c. immunisations w Ph1 mimotope coupled to KLH, KLH alone, or rPh1 in PBS and re-challenged w aerosol rPh1	Ph1 mimotope-KLH and rPh1 decreased inflammatory cell infiltration, mucus secretion, Th2 cytokine expression (p<0.05) compared to mimotope or KLH alone; KLH alone caused higher BALF/spleen eosinophil and goblet cell counts and cytokine (IL-4, IL-5, IFN-γ) levels compared to PBS treatment (p<0.05); anti-Ph1 IgG1, IgE Ab titers not sig dif between treatments	antigen-KLH (~1:50); KLH alone (10 µg/100 µL)	[31]
	Acute pneumonia/ <i>P. aeruginosa</i> (Pa) infection model using CD-1 mice (n=13-14/group) administered i.n. FpvA (Pa membrane receptor) conjugated to KLH, or FpvA only or whole-cell Pa vaccine) (or FpvA, PBS or KLH alone) w curdlan adjuvant, booster at 21 d, i.n. bacterial challenge at day 34 w <i>P. aeruginosa</i> PAO1 strain	FpvA-KLH higher anti-Pa/anti-FpvA IgG, IgM, IgA Ab titers, >CD11+ dendritic cells and memory CD4+ cells, <bacterial burden and lung edema, >Ab response to both clinical CF Pa isolates and laboratory strains (p=0.0001-0.05 compared to PBS or FpvA only); comparable activity to whole cell vaccine; induced a humoral and IL-17-type cellular immune response	30 µg antigen-KLH (1:1)	[32]

Abbreviations: Ab: antibody; Hc: hemocyanin; w: with; KLH: keyhole limpet hemocyanin; CFA: Complete Freund's Adjuvant; IFA: Incomplete Freund's Adjuvant; BSA: Bovine serum albumin; BALF: bronchoalveolar lavage fluid.

¹ Administration routes: i.p.- intraperitoneal, i.n.- intranasal, s.c.- subcutaneous, i.v.- intravenous, i.m.- intramuscular, i.t.- intratracheal, i.c.- intracutaneous, i.b.- intrabullar

² All hemocyanins derived from hemolymph, and all laboratory grade unless indicated as experimentally purified (*).

³ Dickler et al. (1999), and several similar studies (e.g. Babatz, 2006; Krug et al., 2004a, 2004b, 2012), are examples of the use of KLH in conjugate preparations to improve vaccine immunogenicity, however not provide specific information on KLH bioactivity and are therefore not comprehensively reviewed in this table

⁴ Initial four immunisations with Enhanzyn™ adjuvant, no adjuvant thereafter

⁵ Also included a passive immunisation-infection model using Balb/c mice (n=10/group) immunised with 40 or 80% rabbit antisera before NTHi challenge, though did not used antisera from control rabbit treated with KLH only

⁶ Cholera toxin subunit used as stimulatory adjuvant, known to activate mast cells

	Tuberculosis immunisation model using Swiss Webster outbred mice (n=5-15/group) immunised w <i>M. tuberculosis</i> cell wall peptide (LAM) mimotopes (e.g. HS, SG, P1 peptides) conjugated to KLH (s.c.) or AcMNPV baculovirus (i.n.) (or KLH or PBS alone) + 3x boosters ⁷	Only mice immunised w HCpeptide-KLH generated Abs that cross-reacted w LAM (p<0.0001); peptide-KLH higher anti-LAM IgG Ab titers as more available cysteine residues for conjugation + immune stimulation	10 µg antigen-KLH (1:1)	[33]
	Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) infection-immunisation-pulmonary eosinophilia model using Balb/c mice (n=5/group) immunised i.m. 2x w RSV Gpeptides conjugated to KLH or purified Gprotein (no KLH) (or PBS or KLH alone) w QS-21 adjuvant, challenged w RSV i.n. 2 wk after	KLH effective carrier of smaller Gprotein functional peptide; higher BALF eosinophil counts w Gprotein and peptide15-KLH compared to KLH or PBS alone (p<0.05; no difference between KLH and PBS)	250 µg antigen-KLH (50-80:1)	[34]
	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> immunisation-infection model using C3H-HeN mice (n=5/group) and NZ white rabbit (n=1) immunised s.c. w <i>P. aeruginosa</i> polysaccharide (MEP) w KLH; mice: MEP, MEP + KLH mixture, or MEP-KLH conjugate (no adjuvant) x3 s.c. vaccinations; rabbit: MEP-KLH w CFA/IFA x2 s.c. vaccinations + 4x i.v. boosters	Mixture induced significant IgM but failed to induce IgG (T-cell-independent response); conjugate elicited both IgM and IgG and higher antisera opsonophagocytic killing (p<0.01) correlating w high lung clearance; both mixture and conjugate better result than MEP alone	1 µg antigen-KLH conjugate; >10 µg antigen + KLH mixture	[35]
	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> and <i>Burkholderia cepacia</i> immunisation-infection model using Sprague-Dawley rats (n=9/group) immunised i.m. w pep15-KLH, pep42-KLH, or KLH in CFA + 2x boosters; bacterial challenge	High anti-Pa Ab titers after 3rd immunisation; BALF inflammatory cell counts and lung damage sig. reduced (50-70%) in peptide-KLH groups compared to KLH alone; pep15-KLH most effective; no sig dif in lung bacterial clearance among groups	antigen-KLH conjugate (5/7:1)	[36]
	Non-typeable <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> (NtHi) immunisation-infection-clearance models using DA and Sprague Dawley rats (n=5/group) immunised mucosally (i.t.) w recombinant lipoprotein peptides (LP) conjugated to KLH, BSA or full-LP protein, and combinations thereof; challenge using 4x NtHi viral strains i.t. or i.b. ⁸	Anti-LP IgG, IgA Ab titers were not sig dif. between KLH conjugates and other groups, peptide-full-length conjugate and mixtures resulted in highest titers; KLH conjugation enhanced bacterial clearance compared to BSA conjugates, KLH/BSA alone and naïve mice (P<0.05)	10-20 µg antigen-KLH (NA ratio)	[37]
Helicidae	Influenza (H3N2) immunisation model using Balb/c mice (n=5-8/group) immunised i.p. w HpH (or PBS) no adjuvants or peptides; other groups immunised w influenza peptide (IP), IP w CFA, IP w alum, IP w HpH, or IP w alum; boosted 2 x; separate tetanus (TT) toxoid model	IP+HpH produced high anti-IP Abs (p<0.01 compared to control), though IP w alum most effective (p<0.005); higher cytokine levels w HpH+IP compared to alum+IP (p<0.005); high anti-HpH Abs at all doses (p<0.005); IP+KLH stronger cytotoxicity against infected cells compared to other groups (p<0.0005); strong B and T cell proliferation	100 µg HpH*; 50 µg antigen + 100 µg HpH* mixture	[38]
Muricidae ⁹ , Fissuerllidae	Influenza immunisation model using Balb/c mice (n=6-8/group) immunised i.p. w commercial flu vaccine (influenza hemagglutinin 15 µg) mixed w RvH or KLH (100 µg) or vaccine in CFA + 2x boosters (or PBS or RvH alone controls)	Anti-Vac IgM Ab treatments > controls (p<0.0005); IgG significantly higher in the Vac+KLH treated group (p<0.005) and Vac+RvH (p<0.01 compared to Vac, Vac+CFA and PBS); lower cytokine levels (IL4 and IFN-γ) w Vac+KLH and Vac+RtH (p<0.05) (Th1/Th2 immune response); Vac+RvH highest cytotoxicity against infected cells (p<0.01 compared to control)	15 µg antigen + 100 µg RvH*/KLH mixture	[39]

⁷ Also included a separate infection model (same vaccination protocol) for challenge with aerosol *M. tuberculosis* (Erdman strain), though did not use KLH

⁸ Also included an NtHi and adenovirus immunisation-infection model using Chinchillas which did not use KLH

⁹ *Rapana venosa* originally listed as *R. thomasi* (Crosse 1861)

Table S4: *In vivo* animal models and human studies using molluscan hemocyanins as a model antigen for research investigating respiratory diseases.

Mollusc class Family	Study type and design ¹	Main findings	Effective concentrations ²	Reference
Gastropoda Fissuerllidae	Model of acute airway inflammation and antioxidant response to nitrated antigens using Balb/c mice (n=3-4/group) sensitised w OVA + alum i.p., challenged i.n. w 50 µg nitrated OVA (nOVA) or nitrated KLH (nKLH) in PBS, or OVA, KLH or PBS alone (controls); challenged w MCh for lung function test	KLH or nKLH decreased glutathione oxidation and superoxide dismutase gene expression (p<0.05); no lung function abnormalities w KLH or nKLH challenge; increased inflammatory cells (particularly lymphocytes and macrophages) in KLH and nKLH groups (p<0.001); OVA/nOVA produced stronger effects than KLH/nKLH	50 µg	[40]
	Pulmonary immune response model investigating the role of alveolar macrophages (AM) using (C3D2) F1 mice (n=2-4/group) challenged w 80 µg trinitrophenyl-KLH in PBS i.t. w or w/out 10 µg liposome ClzMDP pre-treatment (for AM elimination)	Loss of AMs caused enhanced immune responses- increased antigen presenting cells and prolonged response, increased IgG, IgA and IgE Abs; no increase in response after antigen dose increased >800 µg; AMs have a suppressive role limiting possible damage caused by severe responses in lung tissue	80 µg antigen-KLH	[41]
	Allergic asthma model investigating the role of IL-1 family cytokines using C129S7(4Get) mice (n=4/group) sensitised i.n. to 100 µg aerosolised KLH (or short ragweed extract) w or w/out 100 ng IL-33 twice before 3x i.n. challenge exposures to KLH; main component of study uses OVA challenge	IL-33+KLH increased IL-4, IL-5, IL-13 production, BALF inflammatory cell counts and IL-4eGFP expression by CD4+ cells (p<0.01); KLH alone comparable to PBS; IL-33 facilitates sensitisation to antigens producing asthma-like lung changes upon re-exposure; KLH does not induce memory-type immune responses	100 µg	[42]
	Allergic asthma models (x3) using BDF1 mice (n=4-6/group) immunised i.n. w 0.05-5 µg (exp 1) or 0.5-25 µg (exp 2) aerosolised sensitisation proteins including KLH, OVA, subtilin (SUB), beta-lactoglobulin (BLG) and mouse serum albumin (MSA) (saline or naïve mice controls); challenged 29 d later w MCh (exp 1) or sensitisation proteins (exp 2); passive immunisation model using naïve mice immunised w antisera then challenged w proteins i.v. (exp 3)	KLH induced a dose-dependent increase in BALF total cells, eosinophil, macrophage and counts (p<0.05; higher anti-KLH (and other protein) Ab titers w sensitisation treatment (p<0.05); Penh response not sig dif to controls; KLH lowest IgG1:IgG2 ratio (more protective than allergenic); relative immunogenic potency: SUB>OVA≥KLH>BLG>MSA	0.5 - 25 µg	[43]
	Model investigating the influence of stress on the pulmonary immune response using Wistar rats (n=6/group) primed w 10 µg trinitrophenyl-KLH in saline i.p. subjected to mild electric foot shock stress challenged w 150 µg i.t. TNP-KLH; assays 10 d later	Higher anti-TNP Ab titers w stress treatment (p<0.05); acute emotional stress can contribute to the onset or severity of allergic asthma by lowering the threshold of induction of antigen-specific IgE production in the lungs	10 µg antigen-KLH	[44]
	Model of inherited pulmonary immunity post lung transplant using Beagle dogs (n=8 total); donors sensitised w 10 mg KLH instilled into left cardiac lung lobe (and control lobe), repeated KLH challenge; lungs transplanted 6 d after challenge; Abs monitored	Anti-KLH IgG, IgM, IgA Abs produced in recipient, gradually declining over 15 d; IgA and IgG continued to be produced by the donor for as long as 320 d; immune cells from asthmatic donor lungs could confer asthmatic responses in recipients	10 mg sens, 1mg challenge	[45]
	<i>In vivo</i> human study of 9 atopic asthma patients (+ 9 healthy subjects) immunised w 500 µg KLH injected into superior lingula division of lung (and control lobe) to characterise normal vs atypical immune function	Abs higher for asthmatic group, IgG4 sig (p<0.05), consistent w a Th2 response; serum/BALF Ab levels correlated (p<0.05); no sig dif in inflammatory cell counts; higher IgA1, IgM Abs in immunised lobe (p<0.05); >MCh reactivity in asthmatics; no adverse effects of KLH treatment	500 µg	[46]
	<i>In vivo</i> human study involving 51 healthy atopic subjects (likely to develop allergy) (n=4-8/group) sensitised w 0.1, 10, 1000 or 100 000 µg KLH (day 0) w successive 100 µg doses (day 14, 28) w or w/out adjuvant diesel exhaust particles (DEPs) (0.3mg) (day 1, 13 and 27) all delivered i.n. over 33-d study period	IgE decreased w increasing sensitisation dose (p<0.003); no specific IgE in 0.1 µg group; all developed detectable IgG and IgG4 Abs, sig higher for 100,000 µg group; IgE:IgG/IgG4 ratios decreased w increasing dose (p=0.0004); high dose overcame proallergic adjuvant effects of DEPs; initial high dose exposure to KLH is more likely to result in allergic tolerance rather than sensitisation	10-100,000 µg sens, 100 µg challenge	[47]
	<i>In vivo</i> human study involving 25 healthy atopic subjects challenged w 0.3mg DEPs i.n. 24 hr before aerosol KLH administration i.n. (1 mg or 100 µg in 200 µL saline), or KLH w/out prior DEP exposure, 3 x over 32-d study period	Abs elevated after 14-d and w each subsequent challenge; IgG and IgA similar in DEP+KLH and KLH alone, IgG4 and IgE higher in DEP+KLH (p<0.01); IgE did not occur w/out DEP pre-treatment; IL-4 increased w DEP+KLH, otherwise cytokines not sig different compared to pre-immunisation; DEP drives sensitisation to KLH in atopic subjects under conditions when KLH alone does not have this effect	1 mg or 100 µg	[48]
	<i>In vivo</i> human study involving healthy atopic and normal subjects (5 groups re normal, atopic or history of respiratory disease/allergy, n=10-14/group) treated w 300 µg aerosol KLH weekly administered via nebuliser over 2 mo + 600 µg booster or; monthly i.d. injections of 20 or 2 µg KLH and monthly i.c. injections of 22 µg KLH for skin tests	Skin reactivity higher in subjects w existing allergy/family history of respiratory disease (61% aerosol, 53% i.d.) compared to normal (25% aerosol, 30% i.d.) after 2 mo (p<0.05); developed more quickly in atopics (after 1 month); normal and atopic individuals develop skin hypersensitivity to KLH after repeated exposure, particularly to i.n. aerosol administration; no adverse symptoms	300 µg aerosol or 2-20 µg i.d.	[49]

Abbreviations: Ab: antibody; Hc: hemocyanin; w: with; KLH: keyhole limpet hemocyanin; PBS: phosphate buffer solution; OVA: ovalbumin; MCh: methacholine (bronchoconstrictor); BALF: bronchoalveolar lavage fluid; ELISA: enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay; DEPs: diesel exhaust particles; TNP: trinitrophenyl.

¹ Administration routes: s.c.- subcutaneous, i.p.- intraperitoneal, i.n.- intranasal, p.o.- per oral

² All hemocyanins derived from hemolymph; KLH laboratory grade, HpH experimentally purified

	<i>In vivo</i> human study of 10 cancer patients including those w bronchial and nasopharynx carcinoma (plus 14 normal subjects) immunised s.c. w 0.01, 0.1 or 5 mg KLH	KLH induced non-specific lymphocyte stimulation independent of dose in cancer patients and controls; Ab and lymphocyte response sig depressed in advanced disease (Group 2); KLH can assist in cancer treatment during which chemotherapy or the disease itself can impair the immune response	0.01 - 5 mg KLH*	[50]
	<i>In vivo</i> human study of 12 asthmatic children immunised s.c. w 320 µgN (~2 mg protein) KLH (0 and 14 d), 6 children receiving prednisolone (+ other steroid) treatment; also included 2 adult men immunised w 100 µgN KLH (0 d), 40 µgN (day 14), 350 µgN (44 d)	All subjects produced anti-KLH Ab titers; steroid treatment had no effect on antibody levels formed; no delayed hypersensitivity skin reactions or adverse reactions to mollusc food	2 mg KLH*	[51]
	Asthma model using Balb/c mice (n=7-10/group) immunised s.c. w 100 µg KLH and separately w fused/non-fused Fc proteins (5 mg/kg) (or proteins alone) challenged w 0.5% aerosol OVA and treated w Fc proteins i.p. (5 mg/kg) (KLH not used for challenge)	KLH with protein immunisation elicited a stronger anti-KLH immune response than protein alone; strongest effects on anti-KLH IgM, IgG and IgG1 Abs, lymphocytes, IL-10 and IFN-γ; B7RP-1-Fc identified as stimulant (>cytokine, inflammatory cell and anti-KLH Ab expression); CTLA-4 identified as suppressant (<anti-KLH Abs)	100 µg KLH	[52]
Helicidae	<i>In vivo</i> human study of 11 asthmatic patients (and 10 normal subjects) immunised s.c. w 1.0 mg HpH, monitored over 32 d	IgE and IgG Ab titers sig higher in asthmatics (p<0.01); IgM higher at 7 d (p<0.05) and IgA generally higher though not sig; increased humoral responsiveness of asthmatic patients is not restricted to the IgE class	1.0 mg HpH*	[53]
	<i>In vivo</i> human study of 30 patients w squamous cell bronchial carcinoma and 15 w chronic bronchitis (smokers w no carcinoma as controls) immunised w 1 mg HpH s.c. at time of diagnosis	Advanced disease stages showed sig lower IgA and IgG Ab responses (=0.001), IgM not different from controls; Stage I and III disease lower lymphocyte transformation (p<0.01); SQBC causes impaired humoral and cellular immune responses and a defective Ab response	1mg HpH*	[54]
	<i>In vivo</i> human study of 11 asthma patients (plus 9 healthy subjects) immunised s.c. w 1 mg HpH	Blood hydrocortisone higher in asthmatics (not sig); hydrocortisone had an inhibitory effect on HpH-induced lymphocyte proliferation; endogenous hydrocortisone plays an important immunosuppressive role in asthma	1mg HpH*	[55]

Table S5: Selected patents relating to pharmaceutical compounds derived from molluscs for the treatment of respiratory disease.

Class Family	Derivative part	Specific extract/compound	Bioactivity	Related respiratory disease	Patent title	Country, patent ID
Bivalvia						
Mactridae	NA	Spisulosine and related compounds	Anticancer	Lung cancer; ORI	"Spisulosine compounds."	United States. US6800661B1 (2004)
Mytilidae	Body	Lipid extract	Anti-inflammatory	Asthma; pulmonary inflammation and allergy	a) "A product containing anti-inflammatory principles from green mussel <i>Perna viridis</i> L. and a process thereof." b) "Lipid extract of mussels and method for preparation thereof" c) "An extract"	a) India. IP2066/CHE/2010 (2013) b) International. WO2006128244A1 (2006) c) International. WO2008075978A2. (2008)
	Hemolymph	Mytilin	Antiviral	Viral infection	"Mytilin as well as preparation method and application thereof in preparation of medicines and feed additives"	China. CN104418946A (2015)
Gastropoda						
Aplysiidae	Body	Dolastatin 10, 15 and related compounds (e.g. Tasidotin, Elisidepsin, Soblidotin)	Anticancer	Lung cancer	a) "Derivatives of Dolastatin 10 and auristatins." b) "Three-dimensional structure of new antitumor agent Soblidotin."	a) United States. US20160083420A1 (2016) b) Japan. JP2004262799A (2004)
		Vedotin compounds	Anticancer	Lung cancer	a) "Carrier-binding agent compositions and methods of making and using the same."	a) Australia. AU2016308337A1. (2019)
Fissurellidae	Hemolymph	Hemocyanin	Immunomodulatory (cancer vaccine conjugate), antimicrobial	ORI; lung cancer	a) "Adjuvant enhanced immunotherapy." b) "Composition for delivering bioactive agents for immune response and its preparation." c) "Preparation methods for a novel generation of biological safe KLH products used for cancer treatment, for the development of conjugated therapeutic vaccines and as challenging agents." d) "Purified hemocyanin obtained from <i>Fissurella latimarginata</i> , <i>F. cumingi</i> or <i>F. maxima</i> ; subunit of purified hemocyanin; use of hemocyanin, its subunit or immunogenic fragments and compositions containing the same."	a) Australia. AU2003224989B2 (2008) b) United States. US6024983A (2000) c) International. WO/2015/188868 (2019) d) United States. US20100255017A1 (2009)
Haliotidae	Hemolymph	Hemocyanin or crude hemolymph	Antiviral	Viral infection (including rhinovirus, influenza, common cold)	"Anti-viral nutraceutical."	International. WO2009129561A1 (2009)
Muricidae	Hemolymph	Hemocyanin (specific subunits or extract)	Immunomodulatory (cancer vaccine conjugate), antimicrobial	ORI; lung cancer	a) "Product and composition containing a <i>Concholepas concholepas</i> hemocyanin (cch) subunit a, and a method of use thereof." b) "Hemocyste extract loco (<i>Concholepas concholepas</i>) with antimicrobial activity, pharmaceutical composition comprising said extract; method for producing the extract; use of the extract that serves food additive or aids to retain and prevent contamination with microorganisms."	a) International. WO2005014647A1 (2005) b) Chile. CL2013000660A1. (2013)
	Hypobranchial gland (also in egg masses)	Indirubin and indole derivatives (e.g. indirubin-3'-oxime; 3',6-substituted indirubins [6-BIO]; 6-(3-phenylpropyl) amino-2-benzoxazolone; 'Natura'; E804)	Anticancer, antimicrobial, anti-inflammatory	ORI; lung cancer; pulmonary inflammation and allergy	a) "Indole derivatives as anti-allergy and anti-inflammatory agents." b) "Derivatives of isoindigo, indigo and indirubin and methods of treating cancer." c) "3',6-substituted indirubins and their biological applications." d) "Methods and pharmaceutical compositions for inhibiting influenza viruses replication."	a) United States. 5290788 (1994) b) United States. US6933315B2 (2005) c) United States. US8829203B2 (2014) d) United States. US9168236B2. (2015)
Muricidae, Helicidae	Hemolymph	Hemocyanin (specific subunits or extract)	Antimicrobial	ORI	a) "A biologically active commodity." b) "Bio components from snails."	a) Bulgaria. BG110495A (2011) b) Bulgaria. BG110665A (2011)
Plakobranchidae	Body	Kahaladide F (and related compounds)	Anticancer and antiviral	Lung cancer (and viral infections)	"Cytotoxic and antiviral compound."	Europe. EP0610078A1 (1994)

Abbreviations: ORI: opportunistic respiratory infection

Table S6: Classes of purified compounds tested against respiratory pathogens, cancers and inflammatory diseases.

Purified compound	Compound class	Bioactivity	Reference
3 protamine-like proteins	Protein	Antibacterial	[56]
Myticin, Myticin B, Myticin C and 9 peptides	Peptide	Antibacterial, antifungal	[57], [58]
Tartrolon E	Polyketide	Antibacterial	[59]
OctoPartenopin + 6 HPLC fractions + 5 synthesised fractions	Peptide	Antibacterial	[60]
Mytimicin-AF	Peptide	Antibacterial	[61]
Conotoxin MVIIA and 9 analogues	Peptide	Antibacterial	[62]
5'-deoxy-5'-methylthio-adenosine (MTA) + two naturally-occurring analogues (xylo-MTA, xylo-A)	Protein	Antibacterial	[63]
Scutinin A and B	Polyketide	Antibacterial	[64]
Purified Hc from <i>Helix aspera</i> (β c-HaH subunit + 8 functional units)	Glycoprotein, peptide	Antibacterial	[65]
Purified Hc from <i>Rapana venosa</i> (RvH), glycosylated (RvH-c) + non-glycosylated (RvH-b) subunits + 4 functional units and 11 protein fractions	Glycoprotein, protein, peptide	Antiviral	[66], [67], [68]
Purified Hc from <i>Helix pomatia</i> (HpH)	Glycoprotein	Anticancer, immunomodulatory	[68]
Tyriverdin, tyrindoleninone, Tyrian purple, 6-bromoisatin	Brominated indole/isatin derivatives	Antibacterial, anticancer, anti-inflammatory	[69], [70]
Dolabellin B2	Peptide	Antibacterial	[71],
2 sialic acid-binding lectin recombinant proteins (rSgSABL-1, -2)	Protein	Antibacterial, immunomodulatory	[72]
Kahalalide F and derivatives (e.g. Elisidepsin/PM02734, KZ1, KZ2)	Peptide	Antibacterial, antifungal, anticancer	[73], [74], [75], [76], [77], [78], [79, 80], [81]
7,8-dideoxygriseorhodin C	Aromatic polyketide	Antibacterial	[82]
Four mucus fractions (PUFA 39, 40, 49, 50)	Fatty acid derivative	Antiviral	[83]
Three mucus fractions (PUFA 39, 40, 49)	Fatty acid derivative	Antiviral	[84]
Spisulosine	Amino acid	Anticancer	[85]
Tumor necrosis factor (CgTNF-2)	Protein	Anticancer	[86]
(NH ₄) ₂ SO ₄ fractionated peptide ('Mere15')	Peptide	Anticancer	[87]
Experimentally purified Hc (HpH)	Glycoprotein	Anticancer	[38]
'Lyprinol'	Lipid formulation	Anti-inflammatory	[88], [89], [90], [91]
Heparin sulfate analog (HS)	Polysaccharide	Anticancer	[92]
Dolastatin-10 and derivatives (e.g. Solibidotin/TZT-1027)	Peptide	Anticancer	[93], [94]

Abbreviations: Hc: hemocyanin; PUFA: polyunsaturated fatty acid.

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