

	Oriental Herbology I
	<b>HERBS THAT DRAIN DAMPNESS</b>
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Sign and Symptoms of incorrect water metabolism	
Lin Zheng (dysuria, anuria)	
Qi Zheng (without heat)	
Re Zheng (heat)	
Xue Zheng (blood)	
Shi Zheng (stones)	
Gao Zheng (cloudy)	
Jaundice (damp-heat)	
Edema	
ascites	
Leukorrhea	
Some bi zheng cases	
Nephritic disorders	

	Cautions
3	Yin deficiency
	Diuretic drugs
	Blood pressure medications
	(that have diuretic effect)

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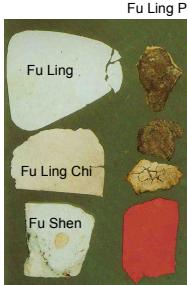
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<b>茯苓</b>	<b>Fu Ling</b>	<b>poria</b>
<b>"calm soul"</b>		
<b>FXN.</b> Promote urine, leech out damp Strengthen SP, harmonize middle jiao Strengthen SP, transforms phlegm Quiet HT, calm spirit Sweet, bland, neutral		
<b>T/T/CH</b> LU, SP, HT  1. Yin def. 2. Diuretic drugs		
<b>DOSE</b> 3-5 qian / 9-15 gr		
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 Fu Ling Pi Fu Ling Chi Fu Shen Fu Ling cooked with Zhu Sha		

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<b>茯神</b>	<b>Fu Shen</b>	<b>poria root</b>
<b>"calm spirit"</b>		
<b>FXN.</b> Quiets HT, calms spirit		
<b>T/T/CH</b> Sweet, bland, neutral LU, SP, HT  1. Yin def. 2. Diuretic drugs		
<b>DOSE</b> 2-5 qian / 6-15 gr		
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 Top Left: Fu Shen with Zhu Sha Middle: Chi Fu Ling (pink or "red" poria) Bottom Left: Fu Shen Right: Fu Ling Pi in: Wu Pi San		

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	<b>Walnut and Fu Shen Sweet Soup</b>
<b>Ingredients :</b>	
15 g Fu Shen 75 g shelled walnuts (hu tao ren) 9 g longan (dragon eye fruit) rock sugar	
<b>Method :</b> Wash Fu Shen, walnuts and longan and set aside.	
Bring suitable amount of water to the boil. Add Fu Shen and walnuts and cook for 1/2 hour. Add longan and rock sugar. Cook until rock sugar melts and serve.	
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<b>豬苓</b>	<b>Zhu Ling</b>	<b>polyporus</b>
		<i>"pig's fungus"</i>
<b>FXN.</b>	Strongly promotes urine, leeches out damp MR: enhances immunity	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Sweet, bland, sl. Cold KI, UB, SP	
<b>♂</b>	1. Yin def. 2. Diuretics 3. K+ / electrolyte loss	
<b>DOSE</b>	2-4 qian / 6-12 gr	
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<b>澤瀉</b>	<b>Ze Xie</b>	<b>water plantain</b>
		<i>"marsh drain"</i>
<b>FXN.</b>	Promotes urine, leaches out damp & pus Settles deficient KI fire, drains damp-heat from lower jiao	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Bland, sweet, cold KI, UB	
<b>♂</b>	1. Middle jiao coldness 2. diuretics	
<b>DOSE</b>	1.5-3 qian / 4.5-9 gr	
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<b>薏苡仁</b>	<b>Yi Yi Ren</b>	<b>Job's tears</b>
		<i>Coix lacryma-jobi</i>
<b>FXN.</b>	Drains damp, promotes urine, strengthens spleen Drains damp, reduces bi zheng Clears heat, heals skin, expels pus Clears damp-heat	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Sweet, bland, sl. Cold LU, SP, ST, KI	
<b>♂</b>	1. none	
<b>DOSE</b>	3-10 qian / 9-30 gr	
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**薏苡仁** **Yi Yi Ren** **Job's tears**  
**Coix lacryma-jobi**



Organic Yi Yi Ren  
source: High Falls Gardens, Philmont NY

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**Children's Formula with Yi Yi Ren**



Ingredients: Shan Zha, Yi Yi Ren, Dan Zhu Ye,  
Gou Teng, Chan Tui, Mai Ya, Gan Cao

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**車前子** **Che Qian Zi** **plantago seeds**  
“cart before seeds”  
**Plantago asiatica**

**FXN.** Promotes urine, clears damp heat  
Clears LV heat  
Expels phlegm, stops cough

**T/T/CH** Sweet, cold  
KI, LV, LU, UB

**♂** 1. Pregnancy  
2. yin def.

**DOSE** 3-5 qian / 9-15 gr

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<b>滑石</b>	<b>Hua Shi</b>	<b>talc</b>
	"slippery rock"	talcum mineral
<b>FXN.</b>	Promotes urine, drains heat from UB Clears summerheat Absorbs dampness	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Sweet, bland, cold ST, UB	
<b>♂</b>	1. Carcinogenic 2. Pregnancy 3. Yin deficiency	
<b>DOSE</b>	1-3 qian / 3-9 gr	

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<b>木通</b>	<b>Mu Tong</b>	<b>clematis or akebia</b>
	"wood pipe"	Clematis or Akebia
<b>FXN.</b>	Strongly promotes urine Drains HT / SI heat Moves qi & blood, opens meridians, reduces pain	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Cold, bitter HT, UB, SI	
<b>♂</b>	1. Pregnancy 2. Yin def. 3. diuretics	
<b>DOSE</b>	1-2 qian / 3-6 gr  Fruit: Ba Yue Zha (move Qi)	

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	<b>Mu Tong, variations</b>
*	Clematis armandii = Chuan Mu Tong (current source) *
Akebia Quinata = Wu Ye Mu Tong Akebia Trifoliata = San Ye Mu Tong Akebia Trifoliata = Bai Mu Tong	{ current source
Ba Yue Zha = fruit of Mu Tong, Akebia	
Aristolochiae manshuriensis = Guan Mu Tong (toxic)	

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Mu Tong, usable variations						
						
Left: <i>Clematidis armandii</i> (Chuan Mu Tong)	Right: <i>Akebiae Caulis</i> (Mu Tong)					
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Mu Tong, variations						
comparing standard and banned substances						
						
Left: <i>Clematidis armandii</i> (Chuan Mu Tong)	Right: <i>Aristolochiae manshurensis</i> (Guan Mu Tong)					
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Guan Mu Tong						
( <i>Aristolochia manshuriensis</i> )						
(Aristolochia Stem / Manchurian Dutchman's Pipe stem)						
<b>Symptoms of overdose:</b>						
<b>Gastrointestinal system</b>	<b>Respiratory system</b>					
Upper abdominal discomfort & distention	Chest congestion					
Nausea / vomiting						
Diarrhea	<b>Cardiovascular system</b>					
Poor appetite	Palpitations					
Frequent urination						
Hematuria	<b>Central nervous system</b>					
proteinuria	increased blood pressure					
	delirium					
	<b>Severe</b>					
	Nephropathy					
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<b>通草</b>	<b>Tong Cao</b>	<b>rice paper plant pith</b>
		"unblocking herb"
<b>FXN.</b>	Promotes urine, clears damp Promotes lactation	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Sweet, bland, sl. cold LU, ST, KI	
<b>♂</b>	1. Pregnancy (caution)	
<b>DOSE</b>	1-2 qian / 3-6 gr	

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<b>金錢草</b>	<b>Jin Qian Cao</b>	<b>Lysimachia</b>
		"gold money herb"
<b>FXN.</b>	Clears heat, promotes urine, expel stones Clears damp-heat in LV/GB Heals lesions (topically)	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Sweet, bland, neutral LV, GB, KI, UB	
<b>♂</b>	1. Yin def. 2. diuretics	
<b>DOSE</b>	5-10 qian / 15-30 gr	

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	<b>Jin Qian Cao, variations</b>
	Jin Qian Cao = Lysimachia christinae (AKA: Chuan Qian Cao, "Sichuan money herb")
	Lian Qian Cao = Glechoma longituba ("string of money herb")
	Guang Jin Qian Cao = Desmodium styracifolium ("Guangdong & Guangxi gold money herb")

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Jin Qian Cao, variations		
		

Left: Jin Qian Cao  
Lysimachiae  
herba  
standard herb  
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Middle: Lian Qian Cao  
Glechomae  
herba  
local variant

Right: Guang Jin Qian Cao  
Desmodii styracifolii  
local variant

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石葦 Shi Wei		pyrrosia leaf
“stone leather”		Pyrrosia sheareri
FXN.	Clears damp-heat from UB Clears heat, stops bleeding Clears phlegm, reduces cough	
T/T/CH	Bitter, sweet, sl. cold LU, UB	
♂	1. Absence of damp-heat	
DOSE	1-3 qian / 3-9 gr	

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草薢 Bei Xie		fish-poison yam rhizome
		Dioscorea collettii
FXN.	Separates pure from turbid Used for gynecology Aids skin Expels wind-dampness	
T/T/CH	Bitter, neutral UB, LV, ST	
♂	1. Yin def.	
DOSE	3-5 qian / 9-15 gr	

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**茵陳** **Yin Chen Hao** **virgate wormwood**  
*Artemisia scoparia*

**FXN.** Clears heat form LV/GB  
 Clears heat, dries damp,  
 heals skin

**T/T/CH** Bitter, spicy, sl. cold  
 LV, GB, SP, ST

**♂** 1. Deficiency jaundice  
 caution (combine correctly)

**DOSE** 1-5 qian / 3-15 gr

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**茵陳** **Yin Chen Hao** **virgate wormwood**  
*Artemisia scoparia*



Left: Standard herb      Right: Tu Yin Chen,  
 adulterant

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**茵陳** **Yin Chen Hao** **virgate wormwood**  
*Artemisia scoparia*

Mian Yin Chen = younger  
 picked in the spring

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<b>地膚子</b>	<b>Di Fu Zi</b>	<b>broom cypress</b>
	"earth skin seeds"	<i>Kochia scoparia</i>
<b>FXN.</b>	Clears damp-heat, promotes urine Expels damp, stops itching	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Sweet, bitter, cold UB	
<b>♂</b>		
<b>DOSE</b>	3-5 qian / 9-15 gr	

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<b>冬瓜子</b>	<b>Dong Gua Ren</b>	<b>wintermelon seeds</b>
	"winter melon seed"	<i>Benincasa hispida</i>
<b>FXN.</b>	Clears heat, promotes urine Clears heat, expels phlegm & pus	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Sweet, bland, cold LU, ST, LI, SI	
<b>♂</b>	1. SP yang def.	
<b>DOSE</b>	3-5 qian / 9-15 gr	

29      AKA: Dong Gua Zi

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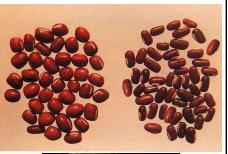
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<b>赤小豆</b>	<b>Chi Xiao Dou</b>	<b>adzuki bean</b>
	"red little bean"	<i>Phaseolus calcaratus</i>
<b>FXN.</b>	Clears damp-heat, promotes urination & lactation Moves blood, reduces heat-toxin	
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Sour, sweet, neutral HT, SI	
<b>♂</b>	1. Yin deficiency 2. pregnancy	
<b>DOSE</b>	3-10 qian / 9-30 gr	

30      Toxic accidental substitute: red & black  
(Xiang Si Zi / Semen abrus precatorius)

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<b>Bian Xu</b>		<b>knotweed</b>
<b>FXN.</b>		Polygonum aviculare
Clears damp-heat from UB Expels parasites, stops itching		
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Bitter, sl. cold UB	
<b>♂</b>	1. diuretics	
<b>DOSE</b>	3-5 qian / 9-15 gr	
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<b>Qu Mai</b>		<b>fringed pink</b>
<b>FXN.</b>		Dianthus superbus
Clears damp-heat, promotes urination Moves blood, promotes menses Unblocks bowels		
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Bitter, cold HT, UB, SI	
<b>♂</b>	1. Pregnancy 2. SP or KI def. 3. coldness	
<b>DOSE</b>	3-5 qian / 9-15 gr	
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<b>Deng Xin Cao</b>		<b>rush pith</b>
“lamp wick herb”		Juncus effusus
<b>FXN.</b>		
Promotes urination, drains damp (SI) Clears heat from HT Clears LU heat Cools blood, stops bleeding		
<b>T/T/CH</b>	Sweet, bland, sl. cold HT, SI, LU	
<b>♂</b>	1. Cold from def.	
<b>DOSE</b>	.5-1 qian / 1.5-3 gr	
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<b>Dong Kui Zi</b> cluster mallow fruit	
AKA: Dong Kui Guo	Malva verticillata
<b>FXN:</b>	Promotes urination Promotes lactation, benefits breast Lubricates LI
<b>T/T/CH:</b>	Sweet, cold UB, LI, SI
<b>♂</b>	1. Pregnancy 2. SP qi def. diarrhea
<b>DOSE:</b>	3-5 qian / 9-15 gr
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<b>Exam #6 - Homework</b>	
DRAIN DAMP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◻ Know introduction information.</li> <li>◻ Which can also move bowels?</li> <li>◻ Which stop itching?</li> <li>◻ Which calm spirit?</li> <li>◻ Which have HT-SI connection?</li> <li>◻ Which treat liver? In what way?</li> <li>◻ Deficient kidney heat?</li> <li>◻ Which treat the Lung</li> <li>◻ Toxicity, side effects, cautions?</li> <li>◻ Which ones are foods?</li> <li>◻ Aristolochia issues?</li> <li>◻ Herbal adulterants / Substitutions?</li> <li>◻ Helpful for skin disease?</li> </ul>

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