

Nuclear Medicine

An Old Therapy Can Save COVID-19 Patients' Lives

WASHINGTON, D.C., USA, July 23, 2020 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Can a physical therapy which has been abandoned in favor of drugs be quickly revived to change the mortality statistics for COVID-19?

Nuclear scientists believe it can, according the nationally syndicated columnist Llewellyn King, who is also

host and executive producer of White House Chronicle.

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Llewellyn King, Host, White House Chronicle

King argues in a column for InsideSources that an extremely low dose of radiation -- about one hundredth of the treatment given to cancer patients -- might save the lives of nearly all COVID-19 patients, depending on when certain symptoms emerge.

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Llewellyn King, Host, White House Chronicle More than 70 years ago, radiation was used with great success in treating pneumonia. James Conca, a respected nuclear scientist from Richland, Washington, told King that 80 percent of pneumonia patients were saved with this therapy. However, it fell into disuse with the development of powerful antibiotics and public apprehension about radiation.

The beauty of the treatment, according to King, is that

most hospitals have radiation departments and radiologists trained in treating cancer.

"According to my reporting," King says, "the moment patients have difficulty breathing, they could be wheeled into radiology and given a low radiation dose to the chest for about 15 minutes. That will stop the 'cytokine storm,' the inflammation which is a feature of COVID-19 and pneumonia, and which kills you."

Conca told King that the patients can go home after a few days in the hospital -- no ICU, no

ventilators, and no lung damage.

The radiology departments of three major hospitals -- Emory in Atlanta, Loyola near Chicago, and Massachusetts General in Boston -- are conducting experiments, King reports.

"Radiation won't prevent you getting the disease, but it will dramatically improve your chances of living," King says, adding, "Conca, whose wife has tested positive for the virus, has made arrangements with his local hospital for her to get radiation right away if she develops breathing difficulty."

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