

New flu drugs seem to work

United Press International
HOUSTON — Russian and American medical detectives Thursday compared test results on two promising weapons against the internationally despised flu virus. The weapons are organic drugs called Amantadine and Rimantadine, which recent tests show can prevent flu among persons exposed to the virus or can speed recovery from the well-known aches, chills and fever. Only Amantadine is now publicly available in the United States and individual physicians must prescribe the drug for patients to use it, officials said. The federal government recently licensed it for general use against flu. "These results give us hope," said Dr. Georgii Galegov, leader of a five-member Russian team attending the Baylor College of Medicine meeting sponsored by the U.S. Center for Disease Control.

"We want to plan a broad application of these anti-virals in the near future in the fight with this infection," Galegov said. Dr. George Galasso of the National Institute of Health, a spokesman for the American team, emphasized the drugs — which consist of related hydrocarbon molecules shaped like bird cages — are neither new nor the final solution to the flu. "I think the ideal thing still is vaccines," Galasso said. "It's better to prevent disease than to treat it and it's easier to give someone one shot of vaccine than to give them daily dosages (to prevent infection)."

"But in addition to vaccine, we do need anti-virals for people who haven't had the vaccine. The Amantadine we think is good, but it isn't 100 percent effective. It's roughly 70 percent effective. Studies during the 1977-78 flu season showed Amantadine's value against all types of flu. Some Texas A&M University students participated in the flu study through a program at the Health Center.

One of the problems with the drug has been side effects, which Dr. Robert B. Couch of Baylor said range from dizziness through headaches and inability to pay attention to work. "But I think some of the over-the-counter drugs have more side effects," he said.

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The Texas A&M University Student Publications Board Thursday approved a 30-cent increase in The Battalion's base advertising rate. The base ad rate will be increased to \$2.30 per column inch beginning April 1. The rate increase is the first since February 1978, when the rate was raised to \$2 per column inch from \$1.80 per column inch. Donald C. Johnson, director of student publications, cited higher paper costs as one reason for the increase. The board also reinstated Pat O'Malley as a co-editor of the Aggie for the spring semester. O'Malley had been removed by the board in the fall because his grade point ratio fell below that required for an editor. His probationary status included a provision that he would be reinstated if his grades met the standards. O'Malley will serve with the Aggie's fall editor, Marilou Tenhet.

what's up

Friday

BASEMENT COFFEEHOUSE: Lyle Lovett is featured and will play from 8 p.m. until midnight.
SWIM TEAM: The men's and women's teams will swim at the University of the Pacific and the University of California at Davis in Stockton.
BASKETBALL: The women's team will play the University of Oklahoma in Denton.
TENNIS: The team will play in the Lamar Team Invitational in Beaumont.
AGGIE CINEMA: "The Revenge of the Pink Panther," in which Inspector Clouseau tracks down an international drug ring, starring Peter Sellers, Dyan Cannon, Herbert Lom and Burt Kwouk, will be shown at 8 and 10 p.m. in Rudder Theater. (R)
MIDNIGHT MOVIE: "The Boys In Company C," starring Stan Shaw, Andrew Stevens and James Canning, about five raw Marine recruits and the vicissitudes of the Vietnam War, will be shown in Rudder Theater. (R)

Saturday

BASEMENT COFFEEHOUSE: A variety of university talent will perform from 8 p.m. until midnight.
BASKETBALL: The Texas Aggies will play Houston at 2:40 p.m. in C. Rollie White Coliseum. The women's team will play North Texas State University in the Mean Green Classic in Denton.
SWIM TEAM: The men's team will swim against Stanford and Oregon at Palo Alto at 1 p.m. and the JV team will swim against Baylor here at 2 p.m.
GYMNASTICS: The gymnastics team will go to San Marcos for the SWTSU Invitational at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
TENNIS: The tennis team will play in the Lamar Team Invitational in Beaumont all day.
AGGIE CINEMA: "Gone With The Wind," the classic film of Margaret Mitchell's best-selling novel featuring the legendary characters of Rhett Butler and Scarlett O'Hara, will be shown at 8 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

Sunday

JOSEPH DONALDSON EXHIBIT: The drawings and paintings of Joseph Donaldson will be exhibited in the Rudder Exhibit Hall today through Feb. 28.
SWIM TEAM: The men's team will swim against Texas Tech in Lubbock at 2 p.m.
AGGIE CINEMA: "Brian's Song," the true touching story of a friendship between two men until one's tragic death from cancer, starring James Caan and Billy Dee Williams, will be shown at 2 p.m. in Rudder Theater.

Monday

BETA ALPHA PSI: James Hamilton will speak on "What is the General Accounting Office?" at 7 p.m. in Room 701, Rudder Tower. All persons interested in pledging should attend.
OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT ASSOCIATION: There will be an important general meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the MSC Council Room.
BASKETBALL: The women's team will play Sam Houston State University in Huntsville at 5:15 p.m.

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Car lights better and brighter

United Press International
NEW YORK — The American automobile industry may turn ally to the halogen gas headlight used in Europe, as the new development by the Sylvania Corp., Danvers, Mass.

This would result in brighter headlights with less consumption and perhaps an improvement in gasoline mileage. What Sylvania, a division of General Telephone & Electronics Corp., has accomplished is the first sealed beam halogen lights.

American law requires the adjusted sealed beam headlights on original equipment on American-made cars. The European-style halogen headlights are America only for foreign cars since the inside of the lens and the outside of the lens capsule are open to moisture and other contamination. The new sealed beam design, which makes the light beam denser both in intensity and direction. The great advantage of the gen headlight is that the filament is sealed in a hard glass tube filled with halogen gas. In an environment, the filament is heated to a much higher temperature, resulting in a more powerful light than the conventional American sealed headlight gives.

On high beam, this light increases seeing distances for more than 50 percent, according to Sylvania.

On low beam, the halogen lamp draws five fewer amperes electricity than the conventional sealed beam tungsten lamp. The big enough saving so that, locally, the size of the alternator battery could be reduced sufficiently to cut the engine's fuel consumption by two-tenths of a mile to the gallon or four miles to a 20-gallon tank.

However, cutting the size of an automobile's generator and battery depends on many things besides the engine's power. It also depends on how many amperes of power the starter pulls and on how many electrical accessories the car has. Many cars usually have generators and batteries that they have smaller engines.

Nevertheless, Ford Motor Co. decided to adopt Sylvania's sealed beam halogen headlights on the Lincoln Versailles and has indicated it will adopt them on some Ford models in 1981.

Richard de la Chapelle, a service president based at Hill N.H., who had much to do with developing the new lamp, said he had plenty of experience with gen lamps for photography and other specialized lighting applications. The task in mating the halogen technology and the sealed beam technology was one of adapting big-scale production methods to the hybrid.

"We solved that by sealing the halogen filled bulb containing tungsten filament into the glass reflector," de la Chapelle said. The glass front lens is bonded to the reflector. The assembly is tested and aimed so it will be able by all the standard aiming devices used in American cars.

The lamps are being produced now at Salem, Mass. If the industry shifts to them on a substantial scale, Sylvania will them in a much larger plant in Seymour, Ind.