Establishment of Dao-Di index and its applications in the quality control and rational usage of TCM

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There exist numerous indices for quality evaluation and control in Chinese medicinal materials. However, most of these indices are qualitative and non-interrelated each other, as well as having little relationship with safety and efficiency. In this article, a comprehensive evaluating index-Dao-Di Index (DDI) based on five factors are established first: Relative history of producing areas, ecological suitability of producing areas, commercial specification and grade, golden rate of main components, and biopotency/toxic potency. This DDI can be used to guarantee the quality of Chinese medicinal materials more comprehensively, objectively and effectively, promoting the integration of “species-quality-property-effect-usage”, and it will provide significant references and revelation for taking a world leading role of quality control standard for traditional medicines.

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