

Table S1: CONSORT 2010 checklist of information to include when reporting a randomized trial.

| Section/Topic | Item No | Checklist item | Reported on page No |
|----------------------------------|---------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Title and abstract | 1a | Identification as a randomized trial in the title | Title |
| | 1b | Structured summary of trial design, methods, results, and conclusions (for specific guidance see CONSORT for abstracts) | abstract |
| Introduction | | | |
| Background and objectives | 2a | Scientific background and explanation of rationale | Introduction |
| | 2b | Specific objectives or hypotheses | Introduction |
| Methods | | | |
| Trial design | 3a | Description of trial design (such as parallel, factorial) including allocation ratio. | Trial design |
| | 3b | Important changes to methods after trial commencement (such as eligibility criteria), with reasons | N.A. |
| Participants | 4a | Eligibility criteria for participants | Participant |
| | 4b | Settings and locations where the data were collected | Participant |
| Interventions | 5 | The interventions for each group with sufficient details to allow replication, including how and when they were actually administered | Intervention |
| Outcomes | 6a | Completely defined pre-specified primary and secondary outcome measures, including how and when they were assessed | Outcome |
| | 6b | Any changes to trial outcomes after the trial commenced, with reasons | N.A. |
| Sample size | 7a | How sample size was determined | Power analysis of sample size |
| | 7b | When applicable, explanation of any interim analyses and stopping guidelines | N.A. |
| Randomization: | | | |
| Sequence generation | 8a | Method used to generate the random allocation sequence | Selection, randomization and blinding |
| | 8b | Type of randomization; details of any restriction (such as blocking and block size) | Selection, randomization and blinding |
| Allocation concealment mechanism | 9 | Mechanism used to implement the random allocation sequence (such as sequentially numbered containers), describing any steps taken to conceal the sequence until interventions were assigned | Selection, randomization and blinding |
| Implementation | 10 | Who generated the random allocation sequence, who enrolled participants, and who assigned participants to interventions | Selection, randomization and blinding |

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| Blinding | 11a | If done, who was blinded after assignment to interventions (for example, participants, care providers, those assessing outcomes) and how | Selection, randomization and blinding |
| | 11b | If relevant, description of the similarity of interventions | N.A. |
| Statistical methods | 12a | Statistical methods used to compare groups for primary and secondary outcomes | Statistics |
| | 12b | Methods for additional analyses, such as subgroup analyses and adjusted analyses | Statistics |
| Results | | | |
| Participant flow (a diagram is strongly recommended) | 13a | For each group, the numbers of participants who were randomly assigned, received intended treatment, and were analyzed for the primary outcome | Study flow, Figure 1 |
| | 13b | For each group, losses and exclusions after randomization, together with reasons | Study flow, Figure 1 |
| Recruitment | 14a | Dates defining the periods of recruitment and follow-up | Recruitment |
| | 14b | Why the trial ended or was stopped | N.A. |
| Baseline data | 15 | A table showing baseline demographic and clinical characteristics for each group | Baseline data of subjects |
| Numbers analyzed | 16 | For each group, number of participants (denominator) included in each analysis and whether the analysis was by original assigned groups | Study flow, Figure 1 |
| Outcomes and estimation | 17a | For each primary and secondary outcome, results for each group, and the estimated effect size and its precision (such as 95% confidence interval) | Results |
| | 17b | For binary outcomes, presentation of both absolute and relative effect sizes is recommended | Results |
| Ancillary analyses | 18 | Results of any other analyses performed, including subgroup analyses and adjusted analyses, distinguishing pre-specified from exploratory | Stratified analyses |
| Harms | 19 | All important harms or unintended effects in each group (for specific guidance see CONSORT for harms) | Safety evaluation |
| Discussion | | | |
| Limitations | 20 | Trial limitations, addressing sources of potential bias, imprecision, and, if relevant, multiplicity of analyses | Discussion |
| Generalisability | 21 | Generalisability (external validity, applicability) of the trial findings | Discussion |
| Interpretation | 22 | Interpretation consistent with results, balancing benefits and harms, and considering other relevant evidence | Discussion |
| Other information | | | |
| Registration | 23 | Registration number and name of trial registry | Ethics |
| Protocol | 24 | Where the full trial protocol can be accessed, if available | Ethics |
| Funding | 25 | Sources of funding and other support (such as supply of drugs), role of funders | Conflict of interest |

Table S2: Exclusion criteria.

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| 1 | Individuals who visited a hospital or use a drug to treat perennial or seasonal allergic rhinitis (except the use of nose drops and eye drops of category 3 over-the-counter drug). |
| 2 | Individuals who were treated with medicine. |
| 3 | Individuals who currently have or have a history of bronchial disease. |
| 4 | Individuals who currently have or have a history of mental disease, psychiatric disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, and hyperlipidemia. |
| 5 | Individuals who used an allergic related medicine to treat a disease in the past 1 month (except temporal usage). |
| 6 | Individuals who have food allergy to ingredients of test food. |
| 7 | Individuals who are sensitive to foods and medicines. |
| 8 | Individuals who currently have or have a history of serious hepatopathy, kidney damage, heart disease, and blood disease. |
| 9 | Individuals who currently have or have a history of endocrine disease. |
| 10 | Individuals whose BMI is over 30 kg/cm ² . |
| 11 | Individuals who donated blood over 200 mL in the past 1 month or over 400 mL in the past 3 months. |
| 12 | Individuals who have a habit of ingesting fermented milk food (over three times in a week). |
| 13 | Individuals who could not restrict their ingestion of lactic acid bacteria-rich food after providing informed consent to participate in the study. |
| 14 | Individuals who habitually ingest bifidobacteria-enriched food or food for specified health uses or foods with Function Claims to ease allergy symptoms in the past 1 month or will ingest these foods during the test period. |
| 15 | Individuals who excessively consume alcohol expressed in an amount of alcohol over 60 g/day. |
| 16 | Individuals whose life style will change during the test period. |
| 17 | Individuals who currently are pregnant, are possibly pregnant, or are lactating. |
| 18 | Individuals who participated in other clinical studies in the previous 3 months. |
| 19 | Individuals who are or whose family member is an employee of a health food company. |
| 20 | Individuals judged inappropriate for this study by the principal investigator. |

Table S3: Degree classification of local findings.

| Item | Group | n | 0 week | 4 week | 8 week | 12 week | 16 week |
|---|---------|----|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Swell of concha nasalis inferior mucosa | LH2171 | 93 | 2.3 ± 0.9 | 2.1 ± 0.7** | 2.1 ± 0.9** | 2.0 ± 0.8** | 2.0 ± 0.7** |
| | Placebo | 94 | 2.4 ± 0.9 | 2.2 ± 0.7* | 2.2 ± 0.8* | 2.0 ± 0.8** | 2.1 ± 0.8** |
| Color of concha nasalis inferior mucosa | LH2171 | 93 | 2.7 ± 1.0 | 2.4 ± 1.0** | 2.3 ± 1.0** | 2.4 ± 1.0** | 2.3 ± 1.1** |
| | Placebo | 94 | 2.8 ± 1.1 | 2.4 ± 1.0** | 2.5 ± 1.0** | 2.5 ± 1.1** | 2.4 ± 1.0** |
| Aqueous secretion | LH2171 | 93 | 1.8 ± 0.6 | 1.7 ± 0.7 | 1.5 ± 0.7** | 1.7 ± 0.7 | 1.6 ± 0.7* |
| | Placebo | 94 | 1.7 ± 0.6 | 1.7 ± 0.7 | 1.4 ± 0.6** | 1.7 ± 0.6 | 1.6 ± 0.7 |
| Character of nasal mucus | LH2171 | 93 | 2.7 ± 1.4 | 2.4 ± 1.5* | 2.1 ± 1.4** | 2.7 ± 1.5 | 2.3 ± 1.4* |
| | Placebo | 94 | 2.6 ± 1.4 | 2.3 ± 1.4 | 2.1 ± 1.4* | 2.8 ± 1.5 | 2.3 ± 1.4 |

The symptom score was rated by the physician using a 5-point scale: 0, no symptoms; 1, mild; 2, moderate; 3, severe; 4, most severe. Data are expressed as the mean \pm standard deviation. *p < 0.05, **p < 0.01 compare to 0 week by the Wilcoxon signed rank test.

Table S4. POMS 2 scores indicating psychological state (T score).

| Items | Group | n | 0 week | 8 week | 16 week |
|-----------------------------|---------|----|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Anger - Hostility | LH2171 | 93 | 44.5 \pm 7.7 | 44.9 \pm 6.3 | 45.6 \pm 7.9 |
| | Placebo | 94 | 44.8 \pm 7.2 | 46.3 \pm 8.6* | 45.6 \pm 7.1 |
| Confusion - Bewilderment | LH2171 | 93 | 47.1 \pm 9.0 | 47.8 \pm 8.8 | 47.4 \pm 8.5 |
| | Placebo | 94 | 48.1 \pm 9.0 | 48.2 \pm 8.2 | 47.0 \pm 7.7 |
| Depression - Dejection | LH2171 | 93 | 46.4 \pm 6.7 | 46.9 \pm 7.6 | 47.0 \pm 7.1 |
| | Placebo | 94 | 46.6 \pm 7.2 | 47.2 \pm 7.8 | 47.0 \pm 7.0 |
| Fatigue - Inertia | LH2171 | 93 | 46.9 \pm 8.0 | 47.4 \pm 8.4 | 46.0 \pm 8.0 |
| | Placebo | 94 | 47.6 \pm 8.9 | 47.1 \pm 8.5 | 46.5 \pm 9.2 |
| Tension - Anxiety | LH2171 | 93 | 45.6 \pm 7.7 | 47.9 \pm 8.5** | 46.8 \pm 7.4 |
| | Placebo | 94 | 46.5 \pm 8.5 | 48.6 \pm 8.4** | 47.6 \pm 8.4* |
| Vigor - Activity | LH2171 | 93 | 50.5 \pm 9.9 | 49.6 \pm 10.3 | 48.7 \pm 10.0** |
| | Placebo | 94 | 51.2 \pm 8.3 | 49.8 \pm 8.4* | 50.6 \pm 8.1 |
| Friendliness | LH2171 | 93 | 51.5 \pm 10.2 | 50.4 \pm 10.6 | 50.0 \pm 10.6* |
| | Placebo | 94 | 51.4 \pm 7.9 | 51.2 \pm 9.0 | 50.8 \pm 8.0 |
| Total Mood Disturbance | LH2171 | 93 | 45.8 \pm 8.1 | 46.8 \pm 7.9* | 46.7 \pm 7.8 |
| | Placebo | 94 | 46.2 \pm 7.7 | 47.3 \pm 7.8 | 46.4 \pm 7.4 |

Mean \pm standard deviation. *p < 0.05, **p < 0.01 compared to 0 week by the Wilcoxon signed rank test.