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Corona's Indigenous Drug 'Umifenovir'

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Why in News

According to a recent report, the **Central Drug Research Institute (CDRI), Lucknow** has claimed to make the **indigenous drug 'Umifenovir'** of Corona.

Key Points

- In fact, after the successful Phase III trial of Umifenovir conducted by **CDRI**, it is being claimed that this drug is very effective in the treatment of mild and asymptomatic patients of corona. Also, useful as a prophylactic for high-risk patients. It eliminates virus load in five days.
- Umifenovir destroys the cell culture of SARS Cov-2 virus very effectively and prevents the entry of this virus into human cells.
- Umifenovir is a broad-spectrum antiviral drug, which has been used as a safe medicine for **influenza and pneumonia in Russia, China and other countries for many years.**