

Dave Lashmet - The Beginning of the End of COVID-19

2020 was the year of the abt. 2021 will be the year of the Japanese raccoon dog ("tanuki"). The tanuki is coveted for its fur. Usually they throw away the bodies, but now their meat is being used as a delicacy. Tanukis are susceptible to both SARS and COVID. Dave says they prove that COVID originated from the Wuhan food markets, and not from a lab.

COVID-19's Delta variant sneaks into human cells easier than the previous variants. But he gave seven new ways to beat COVID-19 and corresponding recs:

- Good masks (cheap, ubiquitous, and they work) **3M (MMM)**
- Vaccines (boosters are extremely effective and kids vaccines) **Pfizer (PFE)**
- Antiviral drugs (hurts virus replication in cells, reducing hospitalizations) **Merck (MRK)**
- Rapid Antigen Testing (Shows people if and when they are infected and most contagious) **OraSure (OSUR)**
- Antibodies (Antibody treatment from Vir can beat any COVID-19 variant) **Vir (VIR)**
- Anti-inflammatories (can stop "storms" of white blood cells that could kill you) Pick: **SOBI**
- Artificial lungs (saving 50% of suffocating COVID-19 patients) **Getinge (GETI-B).**

And one more thing (that could deliver the most upside)... It's an aerosolized psoriasis drug from **Synairgen (SNG.LN).**