

ABSTRACT

This medicinal Text of Tai Lue in China was procured from Mueng Luang in Xishuangbanna, China. The original ancient book of unknown date was written in Tai Lue scripts. However it was postulated that the text was probably around age 100 years old. The text is a record of treatment of various disorders including those of horses. Many medicinal material names are familiar but some are obscured and not recognized by Lanna healers. The disorders and diagnosis of Tai Lue are similar to those of Lanna but the treatment discrepancies may be due to different plant habitats. It is noteworthy that Tai Lue healers used diverse kinds of treatment including serow's blood, reticulated python's bile etc. Moreover, spiritual spells and black magic rites are also practiced to strengthen the patient internal force.