

Jamaican Lauded For Cancer Treatment Cure

Jamaican scientist, Dr. Lawrence Williams, is being lauded for finding an effective treatment for some types of cancer.

The Scientific Research Council of Jamaica says Williams has been awarded an international patent on a compound isolated from the Guinea Hen Weed as a protein complex of dibenzyl trisulphide.

The SRC said the protein complex has the ability to kill a wide range of cancers.

Williams said that the next stage is conducting clinical trials of the compound and the development of a pharmaceutical agent.

‘This remarkable breakthrough comes at a time when the world is crippled by the effects of cancer, as it is one of the leading killers globally,’ the SRC said in a statement.

The Guinea hen weed is indigenous to the Amazon rainforest and tropical areas of Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Africa. It is native also in parts of South Florida. The plant is widely used in tropical herbal medicine and also as a veterinary medicine (for hunting dogs) and as a fungicide and pesticide.