

*Selected CAM
Information
Resources: Databases
and Web Sites*



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Echinacea purpurea (L.) Moench
ASTER FAMILY



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Why Were These Resources Chosen?

- **Preference for resources funded or produced by a department or office of the Federal Government**
- **Resources with an established high reputation among researchers and health care providers**

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)

- **Part of the NIH**
- **In 1998 given greater status and authority and renamed National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)**
- **Mission: research and resources**
- **Database: CAM on PubMed**
- **<http://nccam.nih.gov/>**

13 NCCAM Centers

- **The Center for Alternative Medicine Evaluation and Research in Arthritis**
- **Center for CAM Research in Aging and Women's Health**
- **Center for Addiction and Alternative Medicine Research**
- **Pediatric Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine**
- **CAM Research Center for Cardiovascular Diseases**
- **Oregon Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine in Neurological Disorders**
- **Details:**
http://www.med.umich.edu/camrc/related_resources_nccam_centers.html

Cancer and AIDS/HIV

- **National Cancer Institute (NCI)**
 - **The Office of Cancer Complementary and Alternative Medicine (OCCAM)**
 - **<http://www.cancer.gov/occam/>**
- **Bastyr University AIDS Research Center (BUARC)**
 - **<http://www.bastyr.edu/research/buarc/>**

Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS)

- **NIH office**
- **Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act (DSHEA) of 1994 mandated the creation of the ODS**
- **Includes vitamins and botanicals**
- **Mission: research and resources**
- **Database: IBIDS**
- **<http://ods.od.nih.gov/index.asp>**

Bibliographic Databases

- **Comprehensive coverage of primary literature:**
 - MEDLINE <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PubMed/>
 - EMBASE <http://www.embase.com/about>
 - BIOSIS *Previews* <http://www.library.ucsf.edu/db/biosis.html>
 - Current Contents <http://www.library.ucsf.edu/db/cc.html>
 - Citation Index <http://www.library.ucsf.edu/db/wos.html>
- **CAM databases:**
 - CAM on PubMed <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PubMed/>
 - IBIDS <http://ods.od.nih.gov/databases/ibids.html>
 - CHID <http://chid.nih.gov/>

EMBASE

- **Biomedical and pharmacological information**
- **Produced by Elsevier Science Publishers B.V**
- **3,800 journals from about 70 countries**
- **1974 to the present**
- **Extensive and unique coverage of the European literature**
- **1200 international journals that are not in Medline**
- **Fee-based (mediated search through librarian)**

Allied and Complementary Medicine Database (AMED)

- **Produced by the British Library**
- **Focus on European research**
- **Acupuncture, osteopathy, Chinese medicine, homeopathy, rehabilitation, occupational therapy, hypnosis, herbalism, physiotherapy, chiropractic, holistic treatments and other professions allied to medicine**
- **Fee-based**
- **For information:**
<http://www.bl.uk/services/stb/amed.html>

NAPRALERT

(NAtural PRoducts ALERT)

- **Produced by the College of Pharmacy,
University of Illinois**
- **Bibliographic and factual information**
- **Back to 1650**
- **Fee-based**
- **For information:**
<http://www.uic.edu/pharmacy/research/diet/>

Cochrane Collaboration

- **Key resources for Evidence-Based Medicine (EBM)**
- **COCHRANE Database of Systematic Reviews (CDSR)**
 - **Fee-based**
- **Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effectiveness (DARE)**
 - **No fee**
- **Has A Complementary Medicine Field section**
- **Information:** <http://www.library.ucsf.edu/db/cochrane.html>

International Bibliographic Information on Dietary Supplements (IBIDS) Database

- **International Bibliographic Information on Dietary Supplements**
- **Includes literature on over 100 botanicals**
- **Sources of information**
 - **MEDLINE**
 - **AGRIGOLA**
 - **AGRIS**
- **No fee**
- **Consumer section**
- **Connect: <http://ods.od.nih.gov/databases/ibids.html>**

Combined Health Information Database (CHID)

- **Compiled by health-related agencies of the Federal Government**
- **NCCAM involvement**
- **CAM subfile**
- **Strong on educational materials**
- **Strong on the “gray” literature**
- **Connect: <http://chid.nih.gov/>**

MEDLINE*plus*

- **Produced by the National Library of Medicine (NLM)**
- **Access to information about specific diseases and conditions with links to consumer health information**
- **For health professionals and consumers**
- **CAM section**
- **Connect:**
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/alternativemedicine.html>

Complementary and Alternative Medicine Pain Database (CAMPAIN)

- **Produced by the University of Maryland's
Complementary Medicine Program (CMP)**
- **CAM in the treatment of pain and pain related
conditions**
- **Connect:**
<http://www.compmed.ummc.umaryland.edu/>

Manual, Alternative and Natural Therapy (MANTIS™)

- **Primarily manual, chiropractic, and osteopathic medicine**
- **Controlled vocabulary in the areas of alternative medicine**
- **Fee-based**
- **Information:**
<http://www.healthindex.com/MANTIS.asp>