

DRUG PROVING: A LITERATURE SURVEY

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The present article relates to the "LITERATURE SURVEY DRUG PROVING", in which all articles related to Drug Proving and proved drugs published in various Homoeopathic journals available in CCRH library are indexed. The articles are arranged in chronological order with effect from the year 1970 onwards. This compilation work is to continue for updating. The indexed articles are furnished as below:

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