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THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

1. The status of pharmacy in Iran is nearly as good as the US, except there is very little research done. The knowledge of drugs is modern due to the extensive communication of the medical doctors with other countries.
2. The supply of drugs has been ample. Many drugs are made locally, particularly elixirs and syrups of all types. Many are compounded from raw drugs imported in bulk. The manufacture of DDT is a recent addition to the list of locally made items. No antibiotics are made but are imported in ample quantity from the US and UK.
3. Prior to WWII, Germany supplied a large share of the drugs and the majority of the surgical instruments. Many of the surgical instruments are still in use. Also, a few drugs, such as aspirin, are still being used from the stockpile brought in from Germany prior to the war.
4. Soviet drugs have been readily available but are little used. [redacted] in only one hospital, in Tehran. There are no Soviet wholesalers maintaining supplies, and [redacted] never seen any sales literature. The drugs offered include penicillin and the sulphas. Soviet drugs are generally considered inferior.
5. At the suggestion of a Soviet representative, one [redacted] used one of the Soviet sulpha compounds. The directions for use specified 12 grams as the maximum daily dose. The drug was administered at the maximum but no results were obtained. When advised of the results, the representative advised he use 30 to 60 grams daily, [redacted] "Then it is not a drug. It is a food".
6. [redacted]  
[redacted] The most popular countries for foreign schooling are France, Germany, and UK.
7. Iran has a pharmacopoeia printed in both Persian and French. While not as extensive as US pharmacopoeias, such as Merck Index, it is considered adequate. It is edited and kept up-to-date by a group of professors.

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8. All the narcotics used in the US are used in Iran. Opium is commonly used professionally and its use for other than medical treatment is a major civil problem.

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