- The main sites of research were the Biological Research Centre of the Scientific Research Council, in Baghdad; and the Nuclear Research Institute of the Atomic Energy Commission, in Tuwaitha. Also notable for the advanced level of research was the Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology Research Centre of the Scientific Research Council, in Baghdad, although it published a much smaller output of papers.
- It appears that some of the research conducted at the research laboratory of the State Company for Drug Industries, located in Samarra, may have involved cooperation with East German researchers before 1983.
- botulinum (the source of botulinum neurotoxin which causes botulism) were each the subject of only one publication over the period 1969-1991. In the case of anthrax, this is surprising because it is a potential health hazard in the region.