

PRINCIPAL FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- Various computerized databases, containing over 33 million records of scientific research from over 130 countries during the period 1966-1993, were accessed using key-words for this study.
- A total of 433,334 publications were identified from Canada during the period 1970 to 1992.
- 41,331 publications were selected, by the use of key-words related to biological and toxin research, from the identified Canadian research.
- 1244 unique publications (3%) were sampled from the selected Canadian publications. This sample formed the basis of the subsequent analysis. The titles of the sampled publications appear in the Annexes to this paper.
- The records of the published research were analyzed in terms of:
 - sites of research;
 - patterns of the publications over time;
 - authors; and
 - apparent nature of the research.