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Mercurius Solubilis, Natrum Muriaticum, Nux Vomica, Phosphorus,  
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China (Cinchona), Cimicifuga racemosa, Cocculus, Colchicum autumnale,  
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Echinacea, Ferrum metallicum, Ferrum phosphoricum, Flor de piedra,  
Graphites, Hamamelis, Ignatia, Ipecacuanha, Kali bichromicum,  
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