

of the various heart tonic drugs is very much the same, it is not likely that much variation in susceptibility will be noted. As our opportunities to observe possible variations in the case of vacuum-preserved preparations of digitalis and strophanthus accumulate, we should be able within a year or two more to throw some direct light on this question.

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