

CAM and Cancer around the world

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The author travels around the world looking for promising cancer treatments for clients of his report and consultation service. He reports here on his site visits to complementary and alternative medicine (CAM) clinics that treat cancer in the United States, Caribbean, Europe, Near East and Asia. What are some of the methods that are commonly found in these clinics? What are the “signature” methods that are unique to each particular venue? Two commonly encountered modalities are those that (a) mobilize the immune system in various ways to fight cancer (immunotherapy) and (b) that use heat and/or fever through various means to combat the disease (hyperthermia). Which clinics and doctors are taking the lead in using these modalities?

He will compare the degree of integration of hyperthermia and immunotherapy in the US and in various other countries. The author will compare cancer treatment in the US with the situation he has encountered in other countries. At a minimum, he will discuss the I.W.I.T. clinic, Austria (Dr. Ralf Kleef); Aeskulap, Switzerland; Humlegaarden, Denmark; and the New Hope Clinic, Israel, all of whom are employing Oncothermia devices and techniques.

Finally, he will assess the state of complementary and alternative medicine on a worldwide basis. What are the main challenges that the CAM movement faces? What is the basis for optimism in its eventual integration into mainstream medicine?