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## Maca Meets Mighty Mouse: A 2,000 Year-Old Herb Resprouts in the Andes

Ever since the Spaniards melted down Inca gold and sailed out of Peru, Maca (a rare but powerful little tuber of the radish family) had been hidden away at 14,000 feet elevation in the Andes mountains, teetering on the verge of extinction. Once grown by the Inca to boost physical energy and increase sexual abilities in both men and women, this complex 'tiny-turnip' and 200 test mice were about to startle the medical community.

"Dead mice don't lie. Neither do the Super mice", said Dr. Fernando Cabieses, a renkowned Peruvian researcher and medical anthropologist.

"Raw and cooked Maca root, that's all we gave the little mice to eat. We let them eat as much as they could, then we fasted them, and then we let them eat some more." (*Continued on Page 2*)

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Guayusa Whole Leaf- Ecuador, 1994

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#### (Continued from cover) hat made sense for Dr. Cabieses, who was working on a limited budget in Peru, was to do what researchers have done for centuries. By feeding the mice pure Maca root and its extracts, then putting the mice into stressful situations, his research team were able to measure levels of athletic energy, resistance to cold, and stress. It wasn't exactly like a dog show. It was unusual punishment to prove a point. Using a stop watch, they calculated the results.

"The Maca Mice showed only low levels of neurosis when compared to

the non-Maca control group" according to an associate of the good Doctor. The non-maca mice were 'restless and unable to breed'. While the Maca group, it was reported, remained 'cheerful' and continued to engage in sex with fervor'. Not bad for a radish.

These were the early days of Maca research, but it was not so early at all. The majority of testing on Maca root was carried out just since 1997. And, according to the prestigious peer-reviewed medical journal, Urology, in April of 2000, Dr. Cabieses wasn't far off base. Urology reported that Maca tripled the libido of the little mice.

#### "Yes, in a three-hour period, the mice mated 67 times instead of the usual 16."

Maca also improved their resistance to disease, increased their resistance to cold and pushed their physical stamina up by 100%. They swam twice as long in pools of water.

That's when Maca raised eyebrows in the pharmaceutical community. But what was a boon for Peruvian farmers was to become the stumbling block for Bio-Medicine corporations. Maca is a 'world heritage' plant developed by the Inca and pre-Colombian cultures more than 2,000 years ago. Its historical significance has been embroidered into the fabric of Peruvian culture, was chronicled by the early Spanish missionaries, embedded into ancient pottery, and was thought to have been part of elaborate ceremonies. As a cultivated plant, native only to one small valley of Peru and extinct in the wild, maca had been handed down through each generation like an heirloom jewel, impossible for medical corporations to patent.

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Mila Lazo of Herbs America with Dr. Fernando Cabieses, surgeon and author of over 20 books on natural healing

Studies conducted at Shenyang Medical College and the Chinese Academy of Preventative Medicine in Beijing, isolated and named three novel alkaloids found only in Maca root. These tests concluded that the new alkaloids were responsible, in part, for the uplift in mood and increase in endurance levels which are attributed to Maca root.

"In the haze of the Viagra craze,

In this case, only traditional Peruvian

farmers and a few poor universities in Peru,

who could barely afford to keep their lights

turned on, kept the faith. But soon, millions

Cabieses and his work spanned the Pacific and reached deep into mainland China.

might get turned on. Reports of Doctor

While Dr. Cabieses and his team had credited the energizing properties of Maca to the high quantity of the amino acid lysine - which is said to help regulate fertility in women - and to a readily available form of L-arginine (part of a synergistic branchchain amino acid complex responsible for a boost to the male reproductive systems), it is now thought to be more probable that all these compounds work synergistically to charge Maca with its powers.

What's more, Maca is loaded with 18 essential amino acids and 6 sterols, which are said to lift people's moods and help with fatigue. As a tasty, dried powder, Maca is easily added to milkshakes, cereals or juices to become part of a regular diet. Many athletes depend on it. Today, powdered Maca and liquid extracts are emerging as a popular adaptogen. For some men and women, it's an effective fertility tonic.

Since the results of the Chinese test studies were published, many across North America are offering their own testimonials, reporting revived stamina, making '60 feel like 16 again'.

Jerome Black, Ethnobotanical Researcher

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7.1 oz

2.2 lb

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<u>3.5 oz</u> <u>1.1 lb</u>

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For maximum health benefits, our Organic Maca powder is a blend of a multitude of Maca root colors found naturally in each harvest.

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## SACHA INCHI (Plukenetia volubilis)

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Also Known as Stone Breaker

### Supports Healthy Liver & Kidney Function\*

Famously known as "Stonebreaker", this herb grows in the tropical rainforests of the Amazon. It can reach 30-60 cm in height and has yellow flowers. We prepare our Stone Breaker extract from the dried leaves of the Chanca Piedra plant sourced directly from Peru.

**1 oz Extract** 

2 oz Extract

#### 4 oz Extract



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Also Known as Sangre de Grado

#### Supports Healthy Gastrointestinal Function\*

Dragon's Blood, also known as Sangre de Grado, comes from a medium-size tree that grows in the upper Amazon region of Peru, Ecuador and Columbia. When the trunk of the tree is tapped, a dark red, sappy resin oozes out of the trunk, earning its name. The first recorded use of Dragon's Blood or Sangre de Grado dates back to the 1600's, when Spanish naturalist and explorer, Padre Bernabe Cobo, found that the sap was widely known throughout the indigenous tribes of Mexico, Peru and Ecuador. Scientists have attributed many of the biologically active properties of the sap to two main "active" constituents: an alkaloid named taspine and a lignan named dimethyllcedrusine.\*

**1 oz Extract** 

## **GRAVIOLA** (Annona muricata)

## Supports Healthy Cell Function\*

Graviola is a small, upright evergreen tree with large, glossy, dark green leaves. It produces a large, edible fruit that is yellow-green in color, and has white flesh inside. Graviola has a long, rich history of indigenous use as an herbal medicine. Each part, including the bark, leaves, roots, fruit and fruit seeds hold different therapeutic properties. The chemical components of Graviola leaves have been a focus of research. Most of the research focuses on components called Annonaceous acetogenins, which are only found in the Annonaceae family (to which Graviola belongs). We prepare our Graviola Extract from the dried leaf of the Graviola plant, sourced directly from Peru.

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