

### 3.2.2.3.4.12 Dangerous tongkat ali

Tongkat ali is in high demand. It is therefore no surprise that there always are new players who want to get into the game.

However, tongkat ali is also rare, and one of the most expensive herbal medicines. So, it is also no surprise that new players try to cut corners. For example by enhancing the strength that is lacking because their tongkat ali is low quality by putting in some Pfizer's Blue, Lilly's Beige, or steroids.

An increasing number of products has been removed from the market because they cheat the consumer. For some examples, see the links below.

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The best advice that I can give is to buy established brands of tongkat ali and tongkat ali extract, at best products that are properly licensed by health authorities. Such products may be more expensive, but that's still the better deal than gambling with one's health.

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