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A FEW WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT



Call for an International Pharmacy History Day

International days play a pivotal role in fostering global awareness and unity. They provide an opportunity to celebrate achievements, reflect on historical milestones, and promote understanding and appreciation of diverse cultures and professions, enriching our collective human experience.

Guided by this understanding, I authored a short paper titled “When Shall We Celebrate an International Pharmacy Day?” published in *Pharmaceutical Historian* more than fifteen years ago [1]. In this paper, I suggested September 25th as the date for International Pharmacy Day, coinciding with the establishment of the International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) in The Hague, Netherlands, in 1912.

This proposal garnered widespread endorsement and ultimately led to its formal recognition by the FIP Council. As a result, World Pharmacists Day has been observed annually on September 25 since 2010, attracting widespread interest and participation.

Considering the significance of recognizing our professional legacy, establishing an International Pharmacy History Day is a pronounced necessity.

This initiative would significantly enhance the visibility of the historical study of pharmacy and foster a global emphasis on its narratives. It would engage a broad audience through media outlets, events, and educational workshops. Such an endeavor holds the potential to offer substantial benefits to professionals within the field and elevate public awareness regarding the historical contributions of pharmacy and pharmacists to health and well-being.

In collaboration with professional societies and schools of pharmacy, museums dedicated to the history of pharmacy worldwide are poised to play an instrumental role on this day. They can illuminate the profession's heritage through engaging exhibitions and interactive displays. By harnessing the power of social media, interacting with journalists, and employing diverse media strategies with a particular focus on the youth, the objective is to forge a connection with pharmacy's legacy. This approach aims to make the historical significance of pharmacy accessible and relevant to a broader audience, especially the younger generation, thereby fostering a deeper appreciation for the field's contributions to society.

Designating an International Pharmacy History Day requires selecting a date transcending cultural, religious, and regional boundaries, ensuring inclusivity and global representation. While several dates stand out for their significance in pharmacy history, each is inherently tied to specific cultural, religious, or national motives. Given the establishment of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy on August 18, 1926, in Hall, Tyrol, Austria, I propose observing International Pharmacy History Day annually on August 18 [2]. This would pay homage to our rich heritage and the substantial contributions of notable pharmacy historians such as Hermann Schelenz, George Urdang, and Eugène-Humbert Guitard. Moreover, this proposal seeks to celebrate the Society's establishment and, more broadly, recognize the vast history and achievements in pharmacy.

Despite it being a period traditionally associated with reduced academic and professional activities due to the summer season, celebrating International Pharmacy History Day in August is not only feasible but advantageous. This period offers unique opportunities for increased public engagement and international collaboration that can significantly contribute to raising awareness and appreciation of the pharmacy's historical contributions to society.

This international day can also serve as the beginning of a "History of Pharmacy Season," culminating ideally on September 25, World Pharmacists Day, to further amplify the significance and global appreciation of pharmacy's contributions throughout history.

I am keenly anticipating feedback on this proposal and am committed to collaborating with all parties interested in bringing this vision to fruition.

Prof. Dr. Halil TEKINER
ISHP President

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QUELQUES MOTS DU PRÉSIDENT



Appel à une Journée internationale d'histoire de la pharmacie

Les journées internationales jouent un rôle pivot dans la promotion de la conscience et de l'unité mondiales. Elles offrent une occasion de célébrer les réalisations, de réfléchir aux jalons historiques, et de favoriser la compréhension et l'appréciation des diverses cultures et professions, enrichissant ainsi notre expérience humaine collective.

Animé par cette compréhension, j'ai rédigé un court article intitulé « When Shall We Celebrate an International Pharmacy Day? » (Quand devrions-nous célébrer une Journée Internationale de la Pharmacie ?) publié dans le *Pharmaceutical Historian* il y a plus de quinze ans [1]. Dans cet article, je proposais le 25 septembre comme date pour la Journée internationale de la pharmacie, coïncidant avec la création de la Fédération internationale pharmaceutique (FIP) à La Haye, Pays-Bas, en 1912.

Cette proposition a reçu un large soutien et a finalement été formellement reconnue par le Conseil de la FIP. Depuis 2010, la Journée mondiale des pharmaciens est célébrée chaque année le 25 septembre, suscitant un intérêt et une participation généralisés.

Compte tenu de l'importance cruciale d'honorer notre héritage professionnel, il apparaît indispensable d'instituer une Journée internationale consacrée à l'histoire de la pharmacie.

Cette initiative augmenterait significativement la visibilité de l'étude historique de la pharmacie et mettrait l'accent à l'échelle mondiale sur ses récits. Elle impliquerait un large public à travers les médias, les événements et les ateliers éducatifs. Une telle entreprise présente le potentiel d'apporter des avantages substantiels aux professionnels du domaine et d'augmenter la conscience publique concernant les contributions historiques de la pharmacie et des pharmaciens à la santé et au bien-être.

En collaboration avec les sociétés professionnelles et les écoles de pharmacie, ainsi que les musées dédiés à l'histoire de la pharmacie dans le monde entier, nous sommes prêts à jouer un rôle clé ce jour-là. Ils peuvent mettre en lumière l'héritage de la profession à travers des expositions captivantes et des présentations interactives. En exploitant la puissance des médias sociaux, en interagissant avec les journalistes et en mettant en œuvre diverses stratégies médiatiques, notamment en se concentrant sur les jeunes, l'objectif est de créer un lien avec l'héritage de la pharmacie. Cette approche vise à rendre la signification historique de la pharmacie accessible et pertinente à un public plus large, en particulier la jeune génération, favorisant ainsi une appréciation plus profonde des contributions du domaine à la société.

La désignation d'une Journée internationale d'histoire de la pharmacie nécessite la sélection d'une date transcendant les frontières culturelles, religieuses et régionales, pour assurer l'inclusivité et la représentation mondiale. Bien que plusieurs dates se distinguent par leur importance dans l'histoire de la pharmacie, chacune est intrinsèquement liée à des motifs spécifiques culturels, religieux ou nationaux. Étant donné la création de la Société internationale d'histoire de la pharmacie le 18 août 1926, à Hall, Tyrol, Autriche, je propose que la Journée internationale d'histoire de la pharmacie soit observée annuellement le 18 août [2]. Cela rendrait hommage à notre riche héritage et aux contributions importantes d'historiens de la pharmacie notables tels que Hermann Schelenz, George Urdang, et Eugène-Humbert Guitard. En outre, cette proposition vise à célébrer la création de la Société et, plus largement, à reconnaître la vaste histoire et les réalisations en pharmacie.

Bien que cette période soit traditionnellement marquée par une diminution des activités académiques et professionnelles en raison de la saison estivale, célébrer la Journée internationale d'histoire de la pharmacie en août présente non seulement des avantages uniques pour un plus grand engagement du public et une collaboration internationale qui peuvent contribuer significativement à une meilleure reconnaissance et appréciation des contributions historiques de la pharmacie à la société.

Cette journée internationale peut servir de point de départ à une « Saison d'Histoire de la Pharmacie », culminant idéalement le 25 septembre, Journée Mondiale des Pharmaciens, pour amplifier davantage l'importance et la reconnaissance mondiale des contributions de la pharmacie à travers l'histoire.

J'attends avec impatience les retours sur cette proposition et suis déterminé à collaborer avec toutes les parties intéressées à concrétiser cette vision.

Prof. Dr. Halil TEKINER
Président de la SIHP

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EINIGE WORTE DES PRÄSIDENTEN



Aufruf zu einem Internationalen Tag der Pharmaziegeschichte

Internationale Tage spielen eine entscheidende Rolle dabei, globales Bewusstsein und Einigkeit zu fördern. Sie bieten die Gelegenheit, Errungenschaften zu feiern, historische Meilensteine zu reflektieren und Verständnis sowie Wertschätzung für diverse Kulturen und Berufe zu fördern. Dies bereichert unsere gemeinsame menschliche Erfahrung.

In diesem Geiste verfasste ich vor mehr als fünfzehn Jahren einen kurzen Artikel mit dem Titel „When Shall We Celebrate an International Pharmacy Day?“ (Wann sollen wir einen Internationalen Tag der Pharmazie feiern?), veröffentlicht im *Pharmaceutical Historian* [1]. In diesem Artikel schlug ich den 25. September als Datum für den Internationalen Tag der Pharmazie vor, was mit der Gründung der Internationalen Pharmazeutischen Föderation (FIP) in Den Haag, Niederlande, im Jahr 1912 zusammenfällt.

Dieser Vorschlag erhielt breite Zustimmung und führte letztendlich zu seiner formellen Anerkennung durch den Rat der FIP. Seit 2010 wird daher der Weltapothekertag jährlich am 25. September begangen, was auf breites Interesse und Beteiligung stößt.

Angesichts der Bedeutung, unser berufliches Erbe anzuerkennen, ist die Etablierung eines Internationalen Tages der Pharmaziegeschichte von großer Notwendigkeit.

Diese Initiative würde die Sichtbarkeit pharmaziehistorischer Studien deutlich erhöhen und eine weltweite Betonung auf ihre Erzählungen legen. Sie würde ein breites Publikum durch Medienkanäle, Veranstaltungen und Bildungsworkshops ansprechen. Ein solches Unterfangen bietet das Potenzial, erhebliche Vorteile für Fachkräfte im Bereich zu bieten und das öffentliche Bewusstsein für die historischen Beiträge der Pharmazie und der Apotheker zur Gesundheit und zum Wohlergehen zu steigern.

In Zusammenarbeit mit beruflichen Gesellschaften und pharmazeutischen Fakultäten sind Museen, die weltweit der Geschichte der Pharmazie gewidmet sind, bereit, an diesem Tag eine zentrale Rolle zu spielen. Sie können das Erbe des Berufsstands durch ansprechende Ausstellungen und interaktive Displays beleuchten. Durch die Nutzung sozialer Medien, den Dialog mit Journalisten und den Einsatz verschiedener Medienstrategien, insbesondere mit Fokus auf junge Menschen, ist das Ziel, eine Verbindung zum Erbe der Pharmazie herzustellen. Dieser Ansatz soll die historische Bedeutung der Pharmazie einem breiteren Publikum zugänglich und relevant machen, besonders der jüngeren Generation, um eine tiefere Wertschätzung für die Beiträge des Fachgebiets zur Gesellschaft zu fördern.

Die Festlegung eines Internationalen Tages der Pharmaziegeschichte erfordert die Auswahl eines Datums, das kulturelle, religiöse und regionale Grenzen übersteigt, um Inklusivität und weltweite Repräsentation zu gewährleisten. Obwohl mehrere Daten aufgrund ihrer historischen Bedeutung für die Pharmazie herausstechen, ist jeder von ihnen mit spezifischen kulturellen, religiösen oder nationalen Motiven verbunden. Angesichts der Gründung der Internationalen Gesellschaft für die Geschichte der Pharmazie am 18. August 1926 in Hall in Tirol, Österreich, schlage ich vor, den Internationalen Tag der Pharmaziegeschichte jährlich am 18. August zu begehen. Dies würde nicht nur unserem reichen Erbe Tribut zollen, sondern auch die bedeutenden Beiträge von Pharmaziehistorikern wie Hermann Schelenz, George Urdang und Eugène-Humbert Guitard würdigen. Zudem soll mit diesem Vorschlag die Gründung der Gesellschaft und im weiteren Sinne die reiche Geschichte und Errungenschaften in der Pharmazie gefeiert werden.

Obwohl dieser Zeitraum traditionell mit einer Verringerung akademischer und beruflicher Aktivitäten wegen der Sommerzeit verbunden ist, ist die Feier des Internationalen Tages der Pharmaziegeschichte im August nicht nur machbar, sondern bietet auch einzigartige Möglichkeiten für gesteigerte öffentliche Beteiligung und internationale Zusammenarbeit, die wesentlich zur Erhöhung des Bewusstseins und der Wertschätzung für die historischen Beiträge der Pharmazie zur Gesellschaft beitragen können.

Dieser internationale Tag kann als der Beginn einer „Saison der Pharmaziegeschichte“ dienen, die idealerweise am 25. September, dem Weltapothekertag, ihren Höhepunkt findet, um die Bedeutung und weltweite Anerkennung der Beiträge der Pharmazie im Laufe der Geschichte weiter zu verstärken.

Ich erwarte mit großem Interesse Rückmeldungen zu diesem Vorschlag und bin entschlossen, mit allen interessierten Parteien zusammenzuarbeiten, um diese Vision Wirklichkeit werden zu lassen.

Prof. Dr. Halil TEKINER
ISHP-Präsident

Verweise

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OBITUARY: DR. JADWIGA BRZEZIŃSKA (1924-2024)



R.I.P.

Jadwiga Brzezinska

(March 8, 1924 - January 26, 2024)

We deeply mourn the sad demise of
Dr. Jadwiga Brzezinska,
a respected Polish historian of pharmacy,
and the “White Lady” of Polish pharmacy.

Our condolences to her grieving family,
loved ones, and her colleagues.



OBITUARY: PROF. DR. KÁROLY KAPRONCZAY (1941-2023)

Prof. Dr. Károly Kapronczay (28 February 1941 - 1 March 2023) was a distinguished historian, medical historian, archivist, and director of the Semmelweis Museum of Medicine, Library, and Archive, as well as a university professor and Doctor of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, and Vice President of the Hungarian Society for the History of Pharmacy, passed away on 1 March 2023, in the 83rd year of his life.

Throughout his illustrious career, he emerged as an authority on the biographies of Hungarian medical doctors from the 18th and 20th centuries, the history of public health in Hungary, the history of the Semmelweis Family, and the medical history of the First World War. Starting in 1988, he served as a member and secretary of the Hungarian-Polish Historical Committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and was honored with the Knight's Cross of the Order of Merit of Poland in 1999.

From 1990 to 1994, he held the position of senior advisor to the Minister of the Interior. Beginning in 1999, he was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Public Foundation for Research on Central and Eastern European History and Society, eventually becoming its President. Until his death, he diligently fulfilled the roles of Secretary General of the Hungarian Society of Medical History, Vice President, and Editor-in-Chief of the Society's journal, the *Medical History Bulletin*. He authored and co-authored more than 400 scientific and educational publications. Known for his colorful personality and sense of humor, his passing marks the loss of one of the foremost figures in Hungarian medical history.



Károly Kapronczay
(1941-2023)

Dr. Szabolcs Dobson

OBITUARY: DR. MARCUS OLLI (1943-2023)



R.I.P.

Marcus Olli

(April 5, 1943 - October 21, 2023)

We deeply mourn the sad demise of
Dr. Marcus Olli,
a respected Finnish historian of pharmacy.

Our condolences to his grieving family,
loved ones, and his colleagues.



OBITUARY: DR. ANNETTE BIERMAN (1944-2023)



R.I.P.

Annette Bierman

(August 11, 1944 - February 6, 2023)

We deeply mourn the sad demise of
Dr. Annette Bierman,
a respected Dutch historian of pharmacy.

Our condolences to her grieving family,
loved ones, and her colleagues.



INVITATION

ISHP GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024, BELGRADE, SERBIA

EXTENDED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING & GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Extended Executive Committee Meeting

Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 15:30 - 16:30

Envoy Conference Center, Gospodar Jevremova Street 47, Belgrade, Serbia

General Assembly

Saturday, September 7, 2024, 12:00 - 13:30

Envoy Conference Center, Gospodar Jevremova Street 47, Belgrade, Serbia

AGENDA

- Welcome address by the president; quorum
- Reports: President, Treasurer, Examiners of account, and Commissioners (Internet Commissioner, Social media Commissioner, The Newsletter editor)
- Election of the auditors
- Admission of retirement Executive Committee 2021/2022
- Confirmation of the Elections
- Presentation of the Research Fellowship grant holder for 2023
- Congresses 2026, 2028, and beyond
- Any other business

According to the International Society for the History of Pharmacy statutes, all members are invited to the next General Assembly. Proposals must be made to the General Secretary two months before (until July 7, 2024).

According to the International Society for the History of Pharmacy statutes, the national delegates for the Extended Committee Meeting must be nominated two weeks in advance at the latest (Societies with more than 400 members: three delegates, 200-400 members: two delegates, less than 200 members: one delegate). Please inform the President or the General Secretary accordingly.

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ISHP RESEARCH GRANT

The Committee for the International Society for the History of Pharmacy (ISHP) Research Fellowship, comprising Prof. Olivier Lafont, Prof. Stuart Anderson, Prof. Anita Magowska, Prof. Halil Tekiner, and Prof. Dusanka Krajnovic, is pleased to announce the recipient of the 2023 ISHP Fellowship. **Dr. Kayoko Shimada-Takaura of Japan** has been honored for her research project titled "**Exploration of Suites of Crude Drug Specimens Collected in the Early 20th Century Reflecting Region-Specific Medicinal Cultures.**"

In alignment with its statutes, the ISHP is committed to fostering research, education, and dissemination in pharmaceutical history. Consequently, the Society will continue to endorse research projects of global significance within pharmaceutical history, including a €2,500 grant.

This grant is predominantly aimed at scholarly endeavors, though not exclusively so. Submission of proposals for the **2025 ISHP Fellowship Grant** is required to be emailed in English to the ISHP General Secretary by **August 31, 2024**. Proposals should encompass:

- A comprehensive description of the research project, typically (though not mandatorily) conducted within an academic framework
- An extensive discourse on the project's international relevance
- The applicant's curriculum vitae
- The relevant national organization's confirmation of the applicant's ISHP membership
- A record of the applicant's prior research projects and publications
- A recommendation letter from a senior academic advisor
- A detailed enumeration of anticipated expenses (e.g., travel costs, literature acquisition)

A fellowship committee consisting of the ISHP President, the General Secretary, and three eminent scholars in pharmaceutical history appointed by the Select Executive Committee will evaluate proposals.

The successful candidate's obligations include presenting the project at the ISHP General Assembly or another suitable venue during the International Congress for the History of Pharmacy in 2026. Following the project's conclusion, detailed outcomes (e.g., a comprehensive report and reprints of publications) must be submitted to ISHP. Furthermore, annual progress reports are expected in December each year until the project's completion.

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AUSTRIA – ÖSTERREICHISCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR GESCHICHTE DER PHARMAZIE

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Due to the aftermath of the coronavirus pandemic, the Austrian Society for the History of Pharmacy's activities were significantly reduced in 2023. Initially scheduled for autumn 2023, the general meeting has been postponed to spring 2024, and further activities have yet to be planned. The initial planning steps to organize the congress, which is set to take place in Innsbruck in early September 2026, have been initiated.

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BELARUS – BELARUS CLUB OF THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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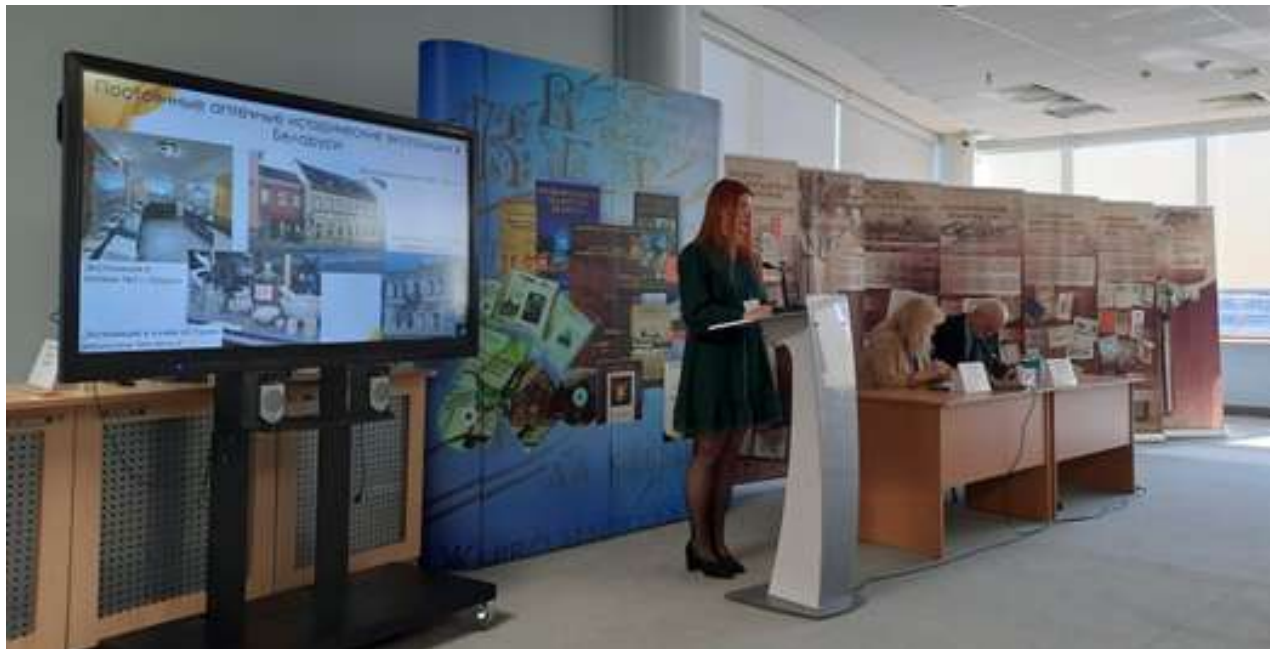
On the 26th of January 2023, members of the Club participated in a scientific session hosted by the Belarusian State Medical University titled “History of Medicine.” During this session, two presentations were delivered: “Boris Gelfand: Health Care Organizer of Belarus (1920–1950)” and “History of Belarusian Penicillin Production between 1945–1950.” An exhibition organized at the University History Museum as part of the scientific session commemorated the 120th anniversary of Ivan Insarov, who served as the Minister of Health of the Belarusian Soviet Socialist Republic from 1948 to 1966. Insarov’s daughter, Natalia, attended the event and donated her father’s valuable documents to the university museum.



On the 7th of April 2023, the 22nd International Scientific Conference “Belarus and Germany: History and Modernity” occurred. The Chairman of the Pharmacy History Club, Valentina Sosonkina, delivered a presentation titled “Activities of Jewish Pharmacists During the Occupation of Belarus (1941–1944).” On the 24th of April, 2023, Valentina Sosonkina presented at the scientific and practical conference in Moscow, Russia. Her presentation was titled “Academician Mashkovsky M.D., Native of the Belarusian City of Pinsk: To the 115th Anniversary of His Birth.”

The VI. International Scientific and Practical Conference of Young Researchers “ARS Longa: Scientific Achievements and Perspectives” was held at the Institute of History of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus on the 27th of April 2023. Two young specialists, under the supervision of Valentina Sosonkina, delivered presentations on the establishment and development of medical and pharmacy businesses in Ruzhany from the XVII to the early XX century and the activities of pharmacy institutions in Brest from 1940 to 1950.

On the 28th of April 2023, Valentina Sosonkina and Margarita Terekhova, a fifth-year student of the Faculty of Pharmacy at the Belarusian State Medical University, participated in the XIX. International Book Readings at the National Library of Belarus. They presented “Special Books: The Base of Museum Exposition of RUE ‘BELPHARMACIA’.”



On the 12th of April 2023, Club members initiated a round-table discussion titled “Unique Pharmacies in Belarus” at the Department of Pharmacy Organization of the Belarusian State Medical University. Students from the second, third, and fifth years of the pharmaceutical faculty made reports.



On the 19th of May, 2023, Club members participated in the Republican Scientific and Practical Conference dedicated to the 105th anniversary of forming a state pharmacy network in the Vitebsk region. Nineteen reports were delivered, five of which focused on the history of pharmacy in the regions of Belarus.

On the 5th of August 2023, a festival of medieval culture, "Рыцарскі фэст," was held in Mstislavl, in the eastern part of Belarus. Pharmacists from a local pharmacy decorated the pavilion "Зелёная Лавка."



On the 8th of September 2023, a seminar took place in the city of Baranovichi, where four Club members made presentations.

Then, on the 15th of September 2023, the Head of the Pharmacy History Club, Valentina Sosonkina, visited the Mogilev State College. There, she engaged with teachers of the pharmaceutical branch to encourage their involvement in the Club of the History of Pharmacy. The college, which was a paramedic and midwifery school in the past, has been training pharmacists since 1926.



Club members actively engage in professional orientation work with pupils in schools and gymnasiums across Belarus. The Club's activities are featured on the websites of state enterprises "Pharmacia."

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BENELUX - KRING VOOR DE GESCHIEDENIS VAN DE PHARMACIE IN BENELUX / CERCLE BENELUX D'HISTOIRE DE LA PHARMACIE / CIRCLE FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY IN BENELUX

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Due to a lack of sufficient registrations, the annual conference initially planned for spring 2023 was postponed. It was rescheduled to take place in the autumn, on Saturday, October 7, at the KAVA Congress Center in Antwerp. The rescheduled conference showcased a diverse range of lectures:

- Nanno Bolt presented “The Medieval Pharmacist in the Low Countries,” exploring the role of pharmacists in medieval society.
- Piet Vree, awarded his PhD in 2020 for his thesis on the evolution of Dutch pharmacopoeias during the 19th and 20th centuries, discussed “One Hundred Years of Dutch Pharmacopoeias: Mirror of Scientific Turning Points,” highlighting significant scientific milestones reflected in these pharmacopoeias.
- Ria Van den Broeck from KU Leuven focused on the drug Softenon in her lecture, providing insights into its history and impact.
- Martijn Collijs shared findings from his PhD research in a talk titled “How the Sixties Pharmacist Evolved from ‘Pill Pusher’ to Paterfamilias of the People,” charting the evolution of the pharmacist's role over time.
- Sim D’Hertefelt, known for his blogs on the historical symbolic and medicinal significance of plants, presented “What We Can Learn from Plants for Mental Health,” discussing the lessons modern mental health practices can draw from historical plant use.

In conjunction with the conference, *Bulletin* 138 was released. This publication gathered the lectures from the 2022 conference held in Naarden, beginning with a feature on the herbarium tour at Meise Botanic Garden and its significant digitization project aimed at connecting herbaria worldwide. The bulletin continued with:

- A lecture by Kees Baggerman on serendipity in the history of medicines.
- Henk Vermande’s exploration of the production of chemical medicines in the Netherlands from 1600 to 1800.
- An analysis of Leonhard Rauwolf’s 16th-century botanical discoveries in the Middle East.
- A study of the poetry of Joannes Six van Chandelier, a 17th-century merchant-poet.

Furthermore, the *Bulletin* paid tribute to Annette Bierman, who passed away in 2023. Bierman was a leading figure in Dutch pharmacy history research and had long served as the chairwoman of the Kring, marking a significant loss to the field.

CZECHIA – THE SECTION OF HISTORY OF PHARMACY OF THE CZECH PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY

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In June 2023, the Section of History of Pharmacy hosted the 69th Symposium on the History of Pharmacy in cooperation with other institutions. The lectures primarily focused on the history of specific pharmacies, pharmaceutical museology, and materia medica.

Outside the Section, a significant research outcome in pharmacy history was the publication concerning the history of pharmacy in Polná (referenced below). Additionally, the transition of preserved furniture and other equipment to an exhibition at the City Museum in Polná was noteworthy (<https://www.muzeum-polna.cz>).

The Czech Pharmaceutical Museum continued its efforts to digitize critical documents from its archives. In 2023, the digitization of the register book of the Czech Pharmacists' Guild from 1799 to 1896 and a very rare manuscript, a younger copy from the 18th century, of "Miracula Chimici" written by the German alchemist Johann Baptist Großschedel (1577 – after 1631) were completed. These works and others digitized in previous years are accessible through (<https://www.manuscriptorium.com>) (search for Czech Pharmaceutical Museum).

For more details and other news from our Society and Section, please visit our website at [www.cfs-cls.cz].

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DENMARK – DANISH SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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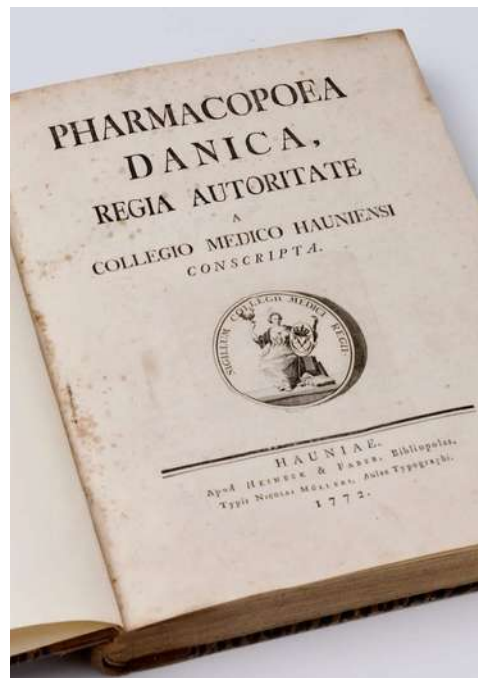
The Danish Society for the History of Pharmacy and the Danish Foundation for the History of Pharmacy hosted the annual 'Pharmacy History Day' on October 2, 2023, at the Danish Collection of the History of Pharmacy, located within Pharmakon a/s in Hillerød.

The program encompassed the society's annual general meeting and featured author and publisher Hans-Otto Loldrup's lecture, 'Mod alle verdenshjørner' (To All Corners of the World). This lecture explored the narratives of numerous Danish pharmacists who emigrated and secured employment abroad from 1840 to 1923.

In 2023, the Society published the following pharmaceutical historical publication: *Theriaca*; Vol. 47. Hillerød: The Danish Society for the History of Pharmacy, 2023.

The contents of this journal are as follows:

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Visitors to the Danish Collection of the History of Pharmacy at Pharmakon in Hillerød have an opportunity to gain real insight into the fascinating history of pharmacy. <https://dfhf.dk/en/>

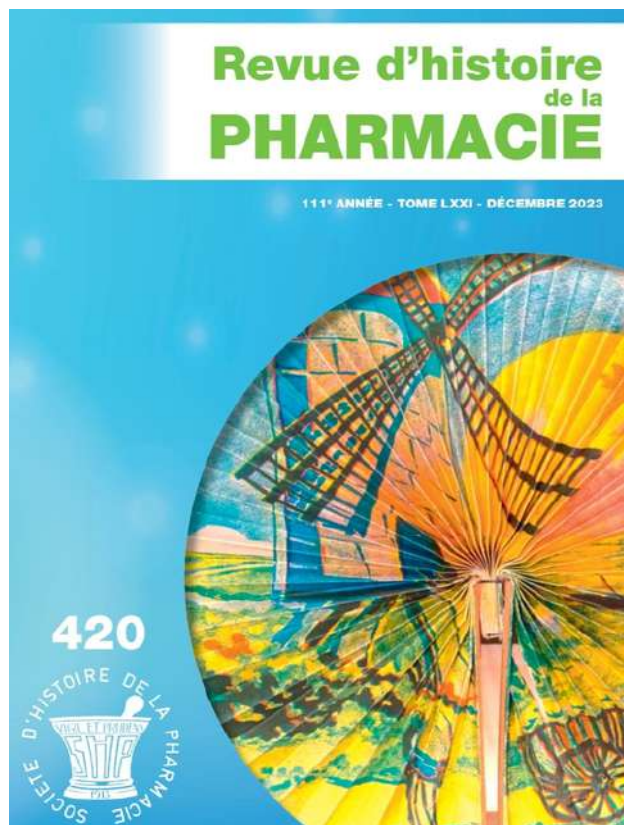
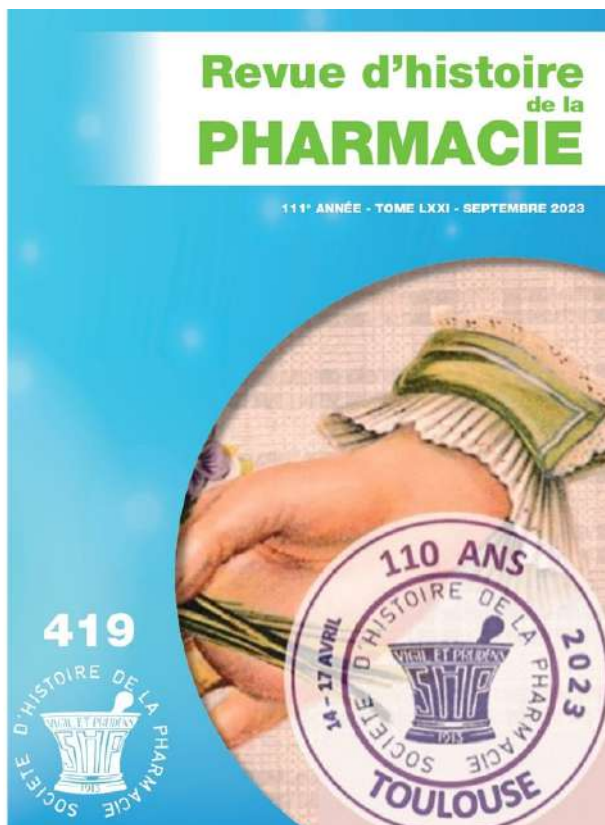
FRANCE – SOCIÉTÉ D’HISTOIRE DE LA PHARMACIE

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The French Society for the History of Pharmacy (SHP) enjoyed a particularly active year in 2023. We maintained a consistent schedule of gatherings, totaling five meetings, one of which was held in Toulouse to commemorate the 110th anniversary of our society's founding. The SHP's varied communication platforms –the *Revue d'Histoire de la Pharmacie*, our website (www.shp-asso.org), the Facebook group "Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie" (boasting 365 followers), our Twitter/X account (with 353 subscribers), and LinkedIn profile (accumulating 517 subscribers)—have all exhibited dynamism, significantly enhancing our society's visibility. Our website has hosted a new temporary exhibition each month for over 11 years, with the 177th exhibition currently underway, the latest of which focused on thermalism within the military. Additionally, all past conferences have been archived on the site, available for viewing or revisiting.

The *Revue d'Histoire de la Pharmacie* remains accessible via the Persée database until 2019; only abstracts are available thereafter. In 2023, our *Revue* featured 25 studies and articles, encompassing 592 pages (compared to 614 pages in 2022), including a special issue celebrating the 110th anniversary of the SHP.





Annually, the SHP, in collaboration with the Maurice Bouvet-Henri Bonnemain Family, awards a prize under the auspices of the National Academy of Pharmacy. This year, Mrs. Marie Tanneau was honored for her work titled "De la thériaque de Montpellier: Entre science et croyance, mémoires de la reine des médicaments" (About Montpellier's Theriac: Between Science and Belief, Memories of the Queen of Medicines) at the Montpellier Faculty of Pharmacy.

Together with the Faculty of Pharmacy in Paris, SHP organized an exhibition titled "Quand les vins et les élixirs étaient des médicaments" (When Wines and Elixirs Were Medicines), which attracted approximately 700 visitors from 11 to 22 September 2023.

Furthermore, an "Aspirin" exhibition was showcased at the Faculty of Pharmacy in Toulouse from 17 to 21 April 2023. On 1 and 2 June, a visit to Touraine, themed "In the Footsteps of Illustrious Pharmacists in Touraine," provided an opportunity to explore the Chenonceau apothecary, the Tours Faculty of Pharmacy, the Tours botanical garden, and the gardens of the Château de Villandry.

Une exposition organisée par la Faculté de pharmacie de Paris et la Société d'histoire de la pharmacie

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During this period, several SHP members also contributed to teaching courses on the history of pharmacy in France.

The Society for the History of Pharmacy has undertaken numerous sponsorship actions, such as the installation of a plaque at the Nantes Faculty of Pharmacy in honor of the Nantes pharmacist and Resistance fighter Hubert Caldecott, who was executed at Mont Valérien by the Nazis on 22 October 1941; the restoration of the *Opera de Mésué*, printed in Venice in 1602, which compiles the works of the Pseudo-Mésués, the first part of which is known as the Canon de Mésués. Additionally, the SHP supported the establishment of the Museum of the History of Pharmacy in the new premises of the Paris-Saclay Faculty of Pharmacy.

In 2024, we aim to continue our vigorous promotion of the history of pharmacy. This year marks the eighth anniversary of the University Diploma in the History of Pharmacy at the University of Paris, which has seen significant involvement from SHP members.

Planned activities include visits and case studies. As in previous years, the instruction will be conducted by SHP members.

We also offer courses to pharmacy students in Paris, Lyon, and Lille and a course for the general public in Paris.



Opening page of the Society, <https://www.shp-asso.org>

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La Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (SHP) a connu une année 2023 très active, comme à son habitude. Nous avons pu nous réunir régulièrement, organisant cinq séances, dont une délocalisée à Toulouse à l'occasion du 110e anniversaire de la création de notre Société. Les multiples canaux de communication de la SHP : la *Revue d'Histoire de la Pharmacie*, le site Internet www.shp-asso.org, le groupe Facebook « Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie » (fort de 365 abonnés), notre compte Twitter/X (353 abonnés) et LinkedIn (517 abonnés) ont tous été dynamiques et ont significativement augmenté la visibilité de notre société. Notre site publie chaque mois depuis plus de 11 ans une exposition temporaire (la 177e exposition est en cours), la dernière ayant porté sur le thermalisme dans l'armée. Il permet également de visionner ou de revisiter toutes les conférences archivées.

En ce qui concerne la Revue, elle reste accessible sur Internet via la base de données Persée, jusqu'à l'année 2019 (seuls les sommaires sont disponibles après cette date). Au cours de l'année 2023, notre *Revue* a publié 25 études et articles pour un total de 592 pages (contre 614 pages en 2022). Un numéro spécial a été dédié au 110e anniversaire de la SHP.

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Histoire de la pharmacie, étudier le passé pour se tourner vers l'avenir

La Société d'histoire de la pharmacie, 110 années d'activité

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La Société d'histoire de la pharmacie (SHP), créée en 1913, fut associée dès l'origine à une publication, un bulletin devenu par la suite une revue. Cette société et ce journal – les premiers dans le monde dans ce domaine – ont permis le développement et la présentation de nombreux travaux sur l'histoire de cette profession, d'abord confondue avec les épiciers puis individualisée à la fin du XVIII^e siècle en France. La SHP encourage les jeunes historiens à s'intéresser à la pharmacie en décernant des prix et des bourses. Elle fait partie de la Société internationale d'histoire de la pharmacie.

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The Society for the History of Pharmacy, 110 years of activity. The Société d'histoire de la pharmacie (SHP), founded in 1913, was associated from the outset with a publication, a bulletin which later became a journal. This society and journal – the first in the world in this field – have enabled the development and presentation of numerous works on the history of this profession, first confused with grocers and then individualized at the end of the 18th century in France. The SHP encourages young historians to take an interest in pharmacy by awarding prizes and scholarships. It is a member of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy.

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Comme chaque année, la SHP, avec la famille Maurice Bouvet-Henri Bonnemain, a attribué un prix décerné par l'Académie Nationale de Pharmacie, cette année à Madame Marie Tanneau pour son travail : « De la thériaque de Montpellier : Entre science et croyance, mémoires de la reine des médicaments » (Faculté de Pharmacie de Montpellier). La Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie, en collaboration avec la Faculté de Pharmacie de Paris, a organisé une exposition dans les locaux de cette faculté : « Quand les vins et les élixirs étaient des médicaments », du 11 au 22 septembre 2023 (environ 700 visiteurs). Une exposition sur l'aspirine s'est tenue du 17 au 21 avril 2023 à la Faculté de Pharmacie de Toulouse. Une visite en Touraine « sur les traces des pharmaciens illustres en Touraine », organisée les 1er et 2 juin, a été l'occasion de visiter l'apothicairerie de Chenonceau, la faculté de Pharmacie de Tours, le jardin botanique de Tours et les jardins du château de Villandry.



Plusieurs membres de la SHP ont également participé à des enseignements d'histoire de la pharmacie en France durant cette période. La Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie a réalisé plusieurs actions de mécénat : la pose d'une plaque à la faculté de pharmacie de Nantes en l'honneur du pharmacien et résistant nantais Hubert Caldecott, fusillé au Mont Valérien par les nazis le 22 octobre 1941; la restauration de l'ouvrage dit « Opera de Mésué », imprimé à Venise en 1602. Ce livre, compilant des œuvres du Pseudo-Mésué dont la première partie est dite Canon de Mésué. La SHP a également soutenu la réalisation d'un musée d'histoire de la pharmacie dans les nouveaux locaux de la faculté de pharmacie Paris-Saclay.

En 2024, nous continuerons à promouvoir activement l'histoire de la pharmacie. Ce sera aussi la huitième année du Diplôme Universitaire d'Histoire de la Pharmacie à l'Université de Paris, avec l'implication très active des membres de la SHP. Des visites et des études de cas sont également prévues. Comme chaque année, l'enseignement sera assuré par des membres de la SHP. Nous participons également à des cours pour les étudiants en pharmacie à Paris, à Lyon et à Lille, ainsi qu'à un cours destiné au grand public à Paris.

GERMANY - DEUTSCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR GESCHICHTE DER PHARMAZIE

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In 2023, the Biennale of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie took place in Nuremberg. The conference was dedicated to the current topic "Arzneimittel und Sucht – Geschichte und Ausblick" (Medicines and Addiction – History and Outlook). The pharmacist profession has always played a central role in preventing addiction and dealing with drug abuse. The Nuremberg Biennale impressively showcased the significant contribution of pharmacy to this field. The lectures presented diverse approaches to the topic, not only in terms of method but also in content, and took recent history into account:

Dr. Sara Ruppen (Zurich) initially discussed the official regulation of the alcohol trade, using the example of the 16th century in Germany. Unlike regulations applicable elsewhere, alcohol was temporarily allowed to be sold only in pharmacies in Germany to mitigate public risk. Dr. Ursula Lang (Seefeld) emphasized the importance of consuming alcoholic herbal extracts as intended to prevent alcohol abuse and addiction. Prof. Dr. Heinz-Peter Schmiedebach (Berlin) extended the lecture topic to include further psychologically and physically harmful drugs, such as morphine, cocaine, and heroin, which gained prominence in the early 20th century. The addiction problem received "greatest attention" at the beginning of the 20th century, according to Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter (Frankfurt am Main/Marburg), leading to corresponding legal restrictions on trade and prescription. Prof. Dr. Ulrike Lindequist (Greifswald) highlighted recent studies on the effectiveness and safety of psilocybin as an antidepressant. Dr. Christiane Staiger (Neu-Isenburg) presented drug-related content in entertaining music. Author Norman Ohler (Berlin), the writer of the bestseller "Der totale Rausch" ("The Total High"), described the use of drugs in the Third Reich. Dr. Christiane Engel provided insight into Nuremberg's rich pharmacy history.

The lectures from the Biennale in Nuremberg on the topic "Arzneimittel und Sucht – Geschichte und Ausblick" (Medicines and Addiction – History and Outlook) will be published by Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich, editor of the DGGP's series "Veröffentlichungen zur Pharmaziegeschichte" (Publications on the History of Pharmacy).

Supplementary to the lecture series, the presentation of scientific posters and the subsequent poster award ceremony were focal points of the DGGP biennials. In Nuremberg, the poster presentation significantly contributed to scientific exchange and provided comprehensive insights into current scientific work and the diversity of research in pharmaceutical history. Stefanie Biermann received the first prize at the Nuremberg Biennale. The second prize was awarded to Esther Jestädt, Dr. Bernhard Müller, and Marcus Unger.

Traditionally, the Biennale in Nuremberg honors achievements in promoting the history of pharmacy. Dr. Christiane Staiger (Neu-Isenburg) received the Johannes-Valentin Medal in silver for her outstanding scientific achievements. Prof. Dr. Ulrich Meyer (Berlin), Dr. Gabriele Beisswanger (Minden), and Hartmut Kleis (Stolberg) received the Johannes-Valentin Medal in bronze.



Opening ceremony of the Biennale in the Historical Town Hall of Nuremberg

At this year's members' meeting, the DGGP board was re-elected: Dr. Susanne Landgraf was appointed president, with Dr. Bernhard Müller serving as Vice President. Dr. Ute Jutta Götz was confirmed as the Society's Secretary, and Kathrin Bosse-Bringewatt was elected as the new treasurer.

The DGGP Pharmacy History Biennale in Nuremberg recorded an impressive number of visitors, with the event's success further enhanced by a successful accompanying program. Insights into Nuremberg's rich history were provided through a tour of the historic old town, a visit to the Bible Museum, and a tour of the Germanic National Museum. Special thanks are extended to the event's outstanding organizers, Mrs. Rotraud Mörschner and Dr. Christiane Engel.

The DGGP maintains close cooperation with the Deutsche Pharmazeutische Gesellschaft (DPhG). A pre-symposium of the History of Pharmacy section of the DPhG on the topic "Pharmacy in Tübingen" was held on October 7th in Tübingen as part of the DPhG's annual meeting. This pre-symposium also served as the traditional Pharmacy History Autumn Meeting for the Baden and Württemberg regional groups of the DGGP. Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich, chairman of the History of Pharmacy section, provided a detailed insight into the development of academic pharmacy at the University of Tübingen, founded in 1477. Prof. Dr. Michael Mönnich presented "Armin Wankmüller's historic pharmaceutical investigations."

In 2023, numerous scientific events were organized by the regional groups of the DGGP. The 18 regional groups of the DGGP form the foundation of the society with their work and commitment. This year, they once again contributed to bringing the history of pharmacy to life, extending it into the periphery. The pharmaceutical trade press, such as the *Deutsche Apotheker Zeitung* (German Pharmacist Newspaper) and the *Pharmazeutische Zeitung* (Pharmaceutical Newspaper), reported on the regional group events in 2023. An overview of these events can also be found on the German Society for the History of Pharmacy homepage.

Numerous publications by members of the DGGP were featured in the *Pharmaziehistorische Bibliografie* (Pharmaceutical History Bibliography, PhB), an international bibliography on the history of pharmacy published in 2023. The German Society for the History of Pharmacy publishes original works, essays, and biobibliographical articles in its publication organ, *Geschichte der Pharmazie* (History of Pharmacy).



Speakers and organizers of the Pharmacy History Autumn Meeting in Tübingen (from left to right): Dr. Elisabeth Huwer, Prof. Dr. Marcus Plehn, Prof. Dr. Michael Mönnich, Dr. Ines Winterhagen, Dr. Stefan Rothfuß and Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich.

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Im Jahr 2023 fand die Biennale der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie in Nürnberg statt. Die Tagung widmete sich dem aktuellen Thema „Arzneimittel und Sucht – Geschichte und Ausblick“. In der Suchtprävention und Bewältigung des Arzneimittelmissbrauchs kommt dem Apothekerberuf seit jeher eine zentrale Rolle zu. Die Beiträge der Nürnberger Biennale demonstrierten in eindrucksvoller Weise den großen Beitrag, den die Pharmazie auf diesem Gebiet leistet. Die Vorträge eröffneten nicht nur methodisch, sondern auch inhaltlich ganz unterschiedliche Zugänge zu dem Thema und bezogen dabei auch die jüngste Geschichte mit ein:

Dr. Sara Ruppen (Zürich) stellte zunächst den behördlichen Einfluss auf den Handel von Alkohol unter anderem am Beispiel dar, dass Alkohol im Deutschland des 16. Jahrhunderts zur Gefährdungsabwehr im Gegensatz zu anderswo geltenden Regelungen zeitweise nur in Apotheken verkauft werden durfte. Die Bedeutung einer bestimmungsgemäßen Einnahme arzneilich alkoholischer Kräuterauszüge zur Vermeidung von Alkoholmissbrauch und Sucht unterstrich Dr. Ursula Lang (Seefeld) in ihrem Beitrag. Prof. Dr. Heinz-Peter Schmiedebach (Berlin) bezog weitere psychisch und physisch krankmachende Drogen wie Morphin, Kokain und Heroin, die in den ersten Dekaden des 20. Jahrhunderts vermehrt in den Vordergrund traten, in das Vortragsthema mit ein. Die Suchtproblematik erreichte zu Beginn des 20. Jahrhunderts „größte Aufmerksamkeit“, so Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter (Frankfurt am Main/Marburg), und bewirkte schließlich entsprechende gesetzliche Restriktionen in Handel und Verschreibung. Prof. Dr. Ulrike Lindequist (Greifswald) wies in ihrem Vortrag auch auf neuere Untersuchungen hin, die sich mit der Wirksamkeit und Sicherheit von Psilocybin als Antidepressivum befassen. Dr. Christiane Staiger (Neu-Isenburg) stellte drogenbezogene Inhalte in der Unterhaltungsmusik vor. Der Schriftsteller Norman Ohler (Berlin), Verfasser des Bestsellers „Der totale Rausch“, schilderte die Anwendung von Drogen im Dritten Reich. Dr. Christiane Engel gab schließlich einen Einblick in die reiche Nürnberger Apothekengeschichte.

Die Vorträge der Pharmaziehistorischen Biennale in Nürnberg zum Thema „Arzneimittel und Sucht – Geschichte und Ausblick“ werden als Tagungsband in der von Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich herausgegebenen DGGP-eigenen Reihe „Veröffentlichungen zur Pharmaziegeschichte“ erscheinen.

Als Ergänzung zur Vortragsreihe gehörte die Präsentation wissenschaftlicher Poster und die sich anschließende Posterpreisverleihung zu den festen Programmschwerpunkten der pharmaziehistorischen Biennalen der DGGP.

In Nürnberg trug die Posterpräsentation wesentlich zu dem erfolgreichen Erfahrungsaustausch der Biennale bei und gab einen umfassenden Einblick in die aktuellen wissenschaftlichen Arbeiten und die vielfältige Forschung auf dem Gebiet der Pharmaziegeschichte. Der erste Platz der Posterpreisverleihung ging an Stefanie Biermann. Der zweite Preis wurde auf der Nürnberger Biennale gleich dreimal vergeben, so an Esther Jestädt, Dr. Bernhard Müller und Marcus Unger.

Auf der diesjährigen Pharmaziehistorischen Biennale in Nürnberg wurden traditionsgemäß Verdienste um die Förderung der Pharmaziegeschichte ausgezeichnet. Dr. Christiane Staiger (Neu-Isenburg) erhielt die Johannes-Valentin-Medaille in Silber für ihre herausragenden wissenschaftlichen Leistungen. Die Johannes-Valentin-Medaille in Bronze ging an Prof. Dr. Ulrich Meyer (Berlin), Dr. Gabriele Beisswanger (Minden) und an Apotheker Hartmut Kleis (Stolberg). Auf der Mitgliederversammlung wurde der Vorstand der DGGP neu gewählt: Zur Präsidentin wurde Dr. Susanne Landgraf, zum Vizepräsidenten Dr. Bernhard Müller ernannt. Als Schriftführerin wurde Dr. Ute Jutta Götz bestätigt. Kathrin Bosse-Bringewatt wurde zur neuen Schatzmeisterin gewählt.

Die Pharmaziehistorische Biennale der DGGP in Nürnberg konnte eine beeindruckende Besucherzahl verzeichnen. Mitgeprägt wurde dieser Erfolg auch durch das gelungene Rahmenprogramm der Veranstaltung. Einblicke in die reiche Geschichte Nürnbergs gaben eine Führung durch die historische Altstadt, der Besuch des Bibelmuseums und die Führung durch das Germanische Nationalmuseum. An dieser Stelle gilt ein besonderer Dank den großartigen Organisatorinnen der Veranstaltung, Frau Rotraud Mörschner und Frau Dr. Christiane Engel.



Die DGGP pflegt eine enge Zusammenarbeit mit der Deutschen Pharmazeutischen Gesellschaft (DPhG). Im Rahmen der Jahrestagung der Deutschen Pharmazeutischen Gesellschaft (DPhG) fand am 7. Oktober in Tübingen ein Vorsymposium der Fachgruppe Geschichte der Pharmazie der DPhG zum Thema „Pharmazie in Tübingen“ statt. Das Symposium bildete zugleich die traditionelle Pharmaziehistorische Herbsttagung der Landesgruppen Baden und Württemberg der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie.

Der Vortrag von Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich, Vorsitzender der Fachgruppe Geschichte der Pharmazie, widmete sich der Entwicklung der Hochschulpharmazie und der Etablierung der pharmazeutischen Fächer an der im Jahr 1477 gegründeten Universität in Tübingen. Prof. Dr. Michael Mönnich stellte „Armin Wankmüllers pharmaziehistorische Untersuchungen“ vor. Dr. Ines Winterhagen fokussierte in ihrem Vortrag die „Homöopathischen Apotheken in Württemberg“. Dr. Stefan Rothfuß gab einen Einblick in „Das Dispensatorium Perfectum von Leonhart Fuchs“.

Im Jahr 2023 wurden von den Landesgruppen der DGGP zahlreiche wissenschaftliche Veranstaltungen organisiert. Die 18 Regionalgruppen der DGGP bilden mit ihrer Arbeit und ihrem Engagement das Fundament der Gesellschaft; sie trugen auch in diesem Jahr wieder dazu bei, die Pharmaziegeschichte bis in die Peripherie mit Leben zu füllen. Über die im Jahr 2023 stattgefundenen Regionalgruppenveranstaltungen wurde in der pharmazeutischen Fachpresse, wie der *Deutschen Apotheker Zeitung* und der *Pharmazeutischen Zeitung*, berichtet. Eine Übersicht der Veranstaltungen der Landesgruppen ist auf der Homepage der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie zu entnehmen.

In der im Jahr 2023 erschienenen *Pharmaziehistorischen Bibliografie* (PhB), der internationalen Bibliographie zur Pharmaziegeschichte, sind zahlreiche Publikationen von Mitgliedern der DGGP veröffentlicht.

Die Deutsche Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie veröffentlicht in ihrem Publikationsorgan *Geschichte der Pharmazie* (GdP) Originalarbeiten, Essays und biobibliografische Artikel.

HONG KONG – HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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Following the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic in early 2023, the year regained its vibrancy in academic and professional activities, including those of the Hong Kong Society of History of Pharmacy (HKSHP). The Society experienced a busy year, enriched with academic exchanges, publication activities, and research collaborations with local and international universities and institutes. Here is an update on the HKSHP's activities in 2023:

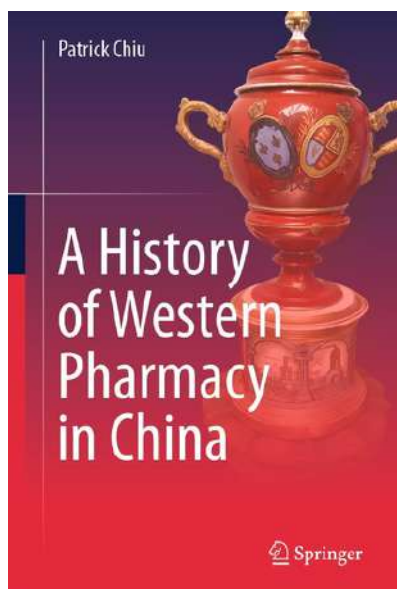
Annual Meeting: After a three-year hiatus due to the pandemic, the Society successfully convened its annual meeting on Saturday, March 11, 2023. This event was hosted at the Hong Kong Jockey Club's premises, witnessing its members' total attendance.

Joint Teleconference: On February 11, 2023, the Society, in collaboration with the Department of History at Shanghai University, organized a joint teleconference. The conference, "Mutual Learnings of the East and West: The Introduction of Western Pharmacy and the Evolution of Traditional Pharmacy," attracted 200 participants from China, Hong Kong SAR, and Taiwan. Seven speakers from Beijing, Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Taipei delivered presentations during the web conference.

Research Presentations: Throughout the year, members of the HKSHP, including the president, presented their research findings on the history of treaty ports in China during the 19th century in Beijing, Baoding (Hebei Province), Hong Kong, Macau, and Shanghai.

Publications: Two papers were published by members of the HKSHP in 2023:

- Chiu, P. (2023). From Hai Yao, Yang Yao to Xi Yao: Sinification of material medical from the West. *Chinese Medicine and Culture*, 6(4), 319-329.
- Chiu, P. (2023). Development of Hong Kong pharmacy in the post-colonial period, 1997-2022. *Pharmaceutical Historian*, 53(1), 1-10.



Looking ahead to 2024, the HKSHP has planned the following projects:

Academic Presentations: HKSHP members will deliver educational presentations to undergraduate and graduate students at universities, colleges, and conferences in China and Taiwan. Additionally, members will present to the International Society for the History of Pharmacy (ISHP) members in Belgrade, Serbia, in January, June, and September 2024.

Book Publication: Springer will publish *A History of Western Pharmacy in China* in January 2024.

Revised Publication Schedule: Due to unforeseen circumstances, the original publication date for the book *A.S. Watson: A Century of Transformation* has been postponed from Q2 2023 to late February 2024.

Play Production: The advisory role in producing "Henry Humphreys - China's Western Chemist and Druggist" by the Hong Kong Chung Ying Theatre and the Shanghai Dramatic Arts Centre has been rescheduled from 2024 to 2025. The play is slated for nationwide performances in Beijing, Guangzhou, Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Shenzhen.

Handbook Publication: Springer Nature has finalized the project for the Handbook of Chinese History of Pharmacy. Over thirty distinguished historians and pharmacy practitioners contributed to the publication, which will be available with open access in Q4 2024.

The HKSHP extends its best wishes to everyone for the Year of the Dragon.



HUNGARY – HUNGARIAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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In 2023, our society's publication endeavors yielded substantial outcomes. Below is a selection of these new publications.

Articuli Pharmacopolarum Tyrnaviensium (Pharmacist Regulations of Trnava from 1748); Hungarian Translation and Original Latin-Language Text: In recent decades, one of the most significant documents related to Hungarian pharmacy history is the "Articuli Pharmacopolarum Tyrnaviensium" (Pharmacist Regulations of Trnava), published in 1748. This document, originating from Trnava—a town now in West Slovakia, historically known as Nagyszombat in the Hungarian Kingdom—was authored in Latin and endorsed by Maria Theresa, Empress of the Habsburg Empire and Queen of Hungary. Dr. Szabolcs Dobson acquired it from a private seller, unaware of its significance. This document represents the first in Hungary, specifically for the local pharmacists' community. It offers a vivid, detailed account of Trnava's pharmaceutical practices and principles. The original Latin version was reprinted in 1852 by Ferenc Linzbauer, while an incomplete Hungarian translation by Ignác Schwarz appeared in 1894, missing about a third of the original text. We now introduce a complete Hungarian translation by Dr. Csilla Tuza and Dr. Katalin Kincses, marking its first complete publication.

Erika Pintér and Lajos Botz: János Szolcsányi - The Outstanding Personality of the Pécs School of Pharmacology and the Founder of Local University Pharmacy Education (ISBN: 978-963-626-058-3, Pécs, 2023): This book chronicles the life and work of János Szolcsányi, a pioneering academic in pharmacological neurobiology and the architect of the University of Pécs' pharmacy education. It summarizes his significant contributions to research and teaching and includes tributes from contemporary leading lecturers. Additionally, it highlights the groundbreaking pharmacological research on capsaicin.

Szabolcs Dobson: Medicines, Pharmacists, and Pharmacies – Interesting Stories from Three Centuries (ISBN: 978-615-01-7877-6, Budapest, 2023): In this collection, the author presents a series of engaging, independent stories from the annals of pharmacy history. From the early 18th century to modern times, each narrative encompasses a unique tale of events, achievements, ambitions, tragedies, and human destinies. Featuring mostly unpublished information, the stories are illustrated with images from private collections and obscure sources.

László Szél: A Brief Description of the 19th Century Listed Building of Budapest, Zrínyi Street 3: From 1897 to 1971, this building served various pharmaceutical companies and agencies, transitioning from the Thallmayer-Seitz Pharmaceutical Wholesale Company to the Pharmacy Centre of the Budapest Municipal Council. It was demolished in the early 1970s and replaced by the current structure, which recently served as the Budapest Pharmacy Centre and the National Pharmacy Institute's successor until 2022.

László Szél: The Successor of the 'Blue Unicorn' Material Goods Shop, Frigyes Kochmeister's Successors Pharmaceutical Wholesaler Company from 1842 to 1949; A Short Illustrated History from the Hungarian Reform Era to 1949: At the dawn of the 4th Industrial Revolution, it is fascinating to revisit the infrastructure and technology foundational to the development of Hungarian pharmaceutical wholesale and Galenic laboratories since the 19th century, through to the activities of the Frigyes Kochmeister Successors Pharmaceutical Wholesaler Company.

Video Film

László Szél: A Video Film About the Renovation Works of Budapest Pharmacies from the Last Five Years of the Budapest Pharmacy Centre (FTGYK) before the Political Transition Period (1985-1990): This film showcases the renovations and developments undertaken by the Budapest Metropolitan Pharmacy Centre in its final planning cycle, focusing on five pharmacies.



Digitalized Old, Printed Books

József Réthelyi: Compendium of Pharmaceutical Legislation, Budapest, 1926 (in Hungarian, p. 79): A comprehensive guide to Hungarian pharmaceutical laws.

Ernő Weirtheimer: A Recipe Book and Pharmacology of Modern Cosmetics; Budapest, 1935 (in Hungarian, p. 49): Aimed at professionals, this concise book offers practical instructions for formulating cosmetic products, detailing the specifications and properties of the raw materials used.

HUNGARY - HUNGARIAN SOCIETY FOR PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES PHARMACY HISTORY DIVISION

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The Annual General Assembly of the Hungarian Society for Pharmaceutical Sciences (HSPS) took place on May 6, 2023, in Budapest. The Pharmacy History Division was represented by delegated members.

On September 22, 2023, our Society, in cooperation with the Committee of Pharmaceutical Sciences of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, organized the celebration of World Pharmacists Day.

This meeting's scientific program featured several lectures on the history of Hungarian pharmacy, including one by Dr. Emese Gaál, the secretary of the Pharmacy History Division. The lecture focused on the evolution of Hungarian pharmacies over the last few decades. This program initiated the official centennial celebrations of the Hungarian Society for Pharmaceutical Sciences.

Founded in 1924, the Society will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2024. The centenary's principal scientific and social event will be “Congressus Pharmaceuticus Hungaricus XVII,” which coincides with the EUFEPS Annual Meeting 2024. This joint meeting is scheduled at the Kölcsey Centre in Debrecen from May 23 to 25, 2024.

Please visit <https://cph2024en.clubservice-event.hu> for further details.



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Kölcsey Centre, Debrecen, Hungary
23-25 May 2024



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IRAN – IRANIAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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In 2023, numerous programs and events were organized or co-organized by the Iranian Society for the History of Pharmacy (IrSHP), as detailed below:

The Tehran University of Medical Sciences hosted the 1st International Conference and Workshop on Manual Therapies in Traditional Medicine, which took place in Tehran from May 10-13, 2023. IrSHP served as one of the co-organizers. The conference featured 16 lecturers from Iran, China, Thailand, Türkiye, India, and Germany, who presented various types of manual therapies within Persian medicine, Chinese medicine, Unani medicine, Thai traditional medicine, and Osteopathy. Additionally, the event attracted 100 delegates from 8 countries, spanning over three days.



In 2023, IrSHP contributed to the organization of two online conferences focusing on the history of pharmacy and medicine, including:

- The first online conference on the history of pharmacy (Iran and India), held on June 15, 2023.
- The first online conference on the relations between Iran and India in the history of medicine was held on July 13, 2023.

TEHRAN UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

**The 1st Online International Conference on
“History of Pharmacy”
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ITALY – ACCADEMIA ITALIANA DI STORIA DELLA FARMACIA

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The year 2023 was full of activities for the Italian Academy of History of Pharmacy. The LXXI. National Congress, held in Brescia from June 24-25, 2023, was successful thanks to the invaluable work of the Consiglio di Reggenza members and Professor Maurizio Memo, Professor of Pharmacology at the University of Brescia. In particular, we wish to acknowledge the presence of Francesco Castelli, Chancellor of the University of Brescia; Andrea Mandelli, President of FOFI; Annarosa Racca, President of Federfarma Lombardia; and Halil Tekiner, President of ISHP.



On this occasion, the Academy of History of Pharmacy received the Spanish Prize “Centenario Cátedra Historia de la Farmacia, Madrid 2023.” Carlos Del Castillo Rodriguez presented the prestigious plaque to our Vice-President, Giovanni Cipriani.

The new Board of the Italian Academy of History of Pharmacy was determined through regular elections in the General Assembly, held in Brescia on June 24, 2023, and in the Consiglio di Reggenza in Florence on October 28, 2023.

- Chiara Beatrice Vicentini, President, Professor of History of Pharmacy and Pharmacology at the University of Ferrara.
- Giovanni Cipriani, Vice-President.
- Vittorio Cassani, Treasurer.
- Marco Zini, Secretary.

Counsellors: Annamaria Monti Beccarelli, Ernesto Riva, Giulia Bovone, Carla Camana, Enrico Cevolani, Patrizia Farfaneti Ghetti, Giorgio Giacomo Mellerio.

Auditors of Accounts: Massimo Betti, Gabriella Parma, Marina Macchio (Substitute: Giuseppina Pagani).



Our journal, *Atti e Memorie*, expertly directed by Ernesto Riva, has published all the papers presented at our meetings and original works by scholars, researchers, and Academy members. We are announcing that the special issue for the 2024 calendar has been printed. As is customary, it features a survey and census of the thirteen most fascinating old Italian pharmacies, complete with brief histories and images. The doyen of our Academy, Giorgio Du Ban, a pharmacist in Trieste, has passed away.



We have organized many social activities, including a Convivial Meeting on December 3, 2023, at the Hotel Majestic-Baglioni in Bologna.



Member Activities

Giovanni Cipriani presented "Brescia and Bergamo in the History of Pharmacy" during the meeting titled "The Evolution of Pharmacy: From the Old Apothecary to the Service-Oriented Pharmacy," held in Brescia on February 11, 2023.



Chiara Beatrice Vicentini presented "Olfactory Landscapes in Casa Romei Museum: Amidst History, Experience, and Economy" in Ferrara on November 30, 2023.



Exhibitions

Grazia Zini and Chiara Beatrice Vicentini curated "Curiosity, Wonder... It's Science (1609-1895)" from December 15, 2022, to February 26, 2023, at the Sistema Museale di Ateneo, University of Ferrara. Chiara Benedetti curated an "Old Pharmaceutical Books in the Ospedali Riuniti Library" exhibition at the Ospedali Riuniti in Brescia on June 24-25, 2023. Chiara Beatrice Vicentini hosted "Open Day at the XVIII. Century Navarra-Bragliani Pharmacy" on September 11, 2023, at the Santa Maria di Mortara Convent, SMA, University of Ferrara.



In Progress

In Florence, at the Accademia Colombaria on January 24, 2024, Giovanni Cipriani presented the work of Giovanni Piccardi, Professor of Chemistry at the University of Florence, renowned for his book "La Farmacia Granducale di Firenze."

In Brescia, on February 24, 2024, a meeting will commemorate the five hundred years of the pharmacy of the Civil Town Hospitals. Notably, Chiara Beatrice Vicentini will discuss "La farmacia ospedaliera. Dalle origini al XIX. secolo," and Giovanni Cipriani will cover "La farmacopea bresciana di Francesco Marabelli (1798)."

Ernesto Riva is preparing the exhibition "Curarsi e nutrirsi con le erbe nei secoli" for the Tipoteca Fondazione Cornuda in Treviso from March 3 to June 30, 2024.

In Pesaro, at Villa Caprile, from May 10 to 12, 2024, the LXXII. Italian National Congress of History of Pharmacy will be held. The central theme is "Manuscript Sources in the History of Pharmacy," offering complete thematic and chronological freedom. The secondary theme focuses on "New Studies on Medicines and Diseases," even those without reference to manuscript sources. Pesaro, the birthplace of Gioacchino Rossini, is this year's Italian Capital of Culture. Short abstracts must be submitted by March 10, 2024, to congresso.aisf@unife.it.

Moreover, in Vercelli, at the Picciola Pharmacy Museum in June 2024, Carlo Bagliani is working to prepare an exhibition.



Pesaro, Italian Capital of Culture 2024



Villa Caprile, Venue of the Congress in Pesaro

JAPAN - JAPANESE SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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In Japan, with the conclusion of the three-year coronavirus pandemic, the classification of the new coronavirus infection under the Infectious Diseases Control Law has been adjusted to a Category 5 infectious disease. Consequently, social restrictions have been relaxed, and a sense of normalcy has returned. In response, the Japanese Society for the History of Pharmacy (JSHP) resumed activities akin to the pre-coronavirus era in 2023. This year's public lecture, general meeting, Shibata Forum, and annual meeting were conducted in person for the first time in four years, a development that brought me great satisfaction as president.

The forthcoming year, 2024, will commemorate the 70th anniversary of JSHP's establishment. We are eager to collaborate with our members to spearhead new initiatives and developments for JSHP.

Meetings

JSHP organized a public lecture on April 22, 2023, featuring two presentations: "60 years of industry-government-academia collaboration in drug discovery in Japan: My experience" by Dr. Toichi Takenaka, former Chairman of Astellas Pharmaceuticals and former Chairman of the Japan Federation of Pharmaceutical Associations, and "From encountering drug information to risk/benefit communication" by Dr. Michiko Yamamoto, Visiting Professor at Kumamoto University/Tokyo University of Science.

The General Assembly Meeting of JSHP also took place on April 22, 2023, where all proposals, including the report on the previous year's activities, financial statements, the current year's activity plan, and budget, were approved as presented.

The Annual Meeting convened at the Faculty of Pharmacy, Shujitsu University, Okayama, on October 28, 2023, attracting over 80 participants. Special lectures were delivered by Mr. Syusaku Shiono, Chairman and Representative Director of Shiono Koryo Kaisha, Ltd., on "The history of flavors and fragrances in Osaka Doshomachi and Shiono Koryo," and by Mr. Yoshimasa Shimoyama, Honorary Director of Tsuyama Archives of Western Learning, on "The source of various studies: Dutch studies in Tsuyama, focusing on the third generation of the Udagawa family and the Mitsukuri family."

JSHP members presented 22 oral presentations and three posters on various topics, leading to engaging discussions. The best presenters, selected by JSHP executives, will be announced at the general meeting in April 2024. On the following day, October 29th, a bus tour exploring the history of medicine in Tsuyama was organized. The tour offered a fascinating visit to the Tsuyama Archives of Western Learning, the surrounding historical townscape, the Tsuyama Railroad Educational Museum, and more.

32 individuals participated in the 14th Shibata Forum, held in Tokyo on August 19, 2023. Presentations included “Shokei Shibata and his Contemporaries” by Dr. Hiroshi Kosoto, Special Professor at Tokyo Pharmaceutical University, and “The Recommendation of Diagrammatic Thinking in Pharmaceutical History” by Dr. Keiichi Hisatsune, Professor Emeritus at Tama University.

The Six Societies Meeting on the Histories of Medicine, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Veterinary Science, Nursing, and Western Learning was conducted as a hybrid event, both on-site and online, on December 16, 2023. Representing JSHP, Dr. Minori Tatsuno from Juntendo University presented a lecture titled “Various issues surrounding Friedrich II's pharmaceutical law and its manuscripts.”



Venue view of the oral presentation at the Annual Meeting in Okayama



Dr. Tatsuno giving a lecture at the Six Societies Meeting



Exhibition Room, Dawn of Edo Dutch Studies



Tsuyama Castle



Former Tsuyama Fan-shaped Locomotive Depot

Committee Activities

70th Anniversary Publication Committee: In celebration of the 70th anniversary of JSHP in 2024, the committee, chaired by Dr. Morimoto, has convened meetings to discuss the content of a special issue of the *Japanese Journal for the History of Pharmacy*. A commemorative roundtable discussion, “Looking back on the past ten years and considering the next ten years,” took place on August 22nd. Efforts are underway to solicit manuscripts for congratulatory speeches from domestic and international organizations, with the final manuscript deadline set for the end of January 2024.

JSHP Publications

JSHP has published Volume 58, Number 1 of the *Japanese Journal for the History of Pharmacy*, and Numbers 90 and 91 of the *History of Pharmacy Newsletter* (Yakushi retaa).

ISHP Research Fellowship

Dr. Kayoko Shimada-Takaura, a councilor at JSHP and a lecturer at the Faculty of Pharmacy, Kindai University, has been awarded the ISHP Research Grant for 2023/2024. The award-winning research theme is "The exploration of suites of crude drug specimens collected around the early 20th century, reflecting region-specific ‘medicinal culture’.” The research is expected to develop further, both domestically and internationally.

Website Renewal

The JSHP website has been updated to include smartphone compatibility, social media links, and YouTube videos (specifically, a collection of videos from the oral presentations at the annual meeting, which have been edited and recorded by the presenters themselves). A content management system (WordPress) has been implemented, and the site is primarily in Japanese but includes English text. The URL is <https://plaza.umin.ac.jp/yakushi/>. Journal articles in Japanese, including an English abstract, can be downloaded from the same website.

LITHUANIA – LITHUANIAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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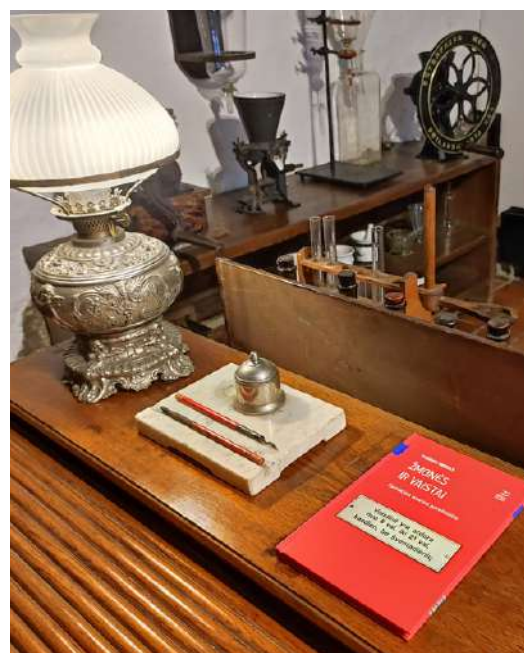
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In 2023, Lithuania commemorated several noteworthy anniversaries in the history of pharmacy, most notably the centennial of the professional journal *Farmacijos žinios* (Pharmacy News). Established in 1923, this publication significantly contributed to reflecting the dynamic evolution of pharmacy in Lithuania until the country's occupation by the Soviet Union in 1940. Following the Soviet occupation, the professional societies responsible for the journal's publication were disbanded, and the journal ceased publication. The content of *Farmacijos žinios* remains a valuable resource for researchers exploring the interwar history of Lithuanian pharmacy, shedding light on various aspects of pharmaceutical history, including the lives of pharmacists.

An exhibition at the Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy showcased the journal's content.

The second event was an exhibition and tribute dedicated to the pharmacist and researcher of Lithuanian pharmacy history, Dr. Regina Žukienė (1928–2022), on the occasion of her 95th birthday. Žukienė made significant contributions to the field of Lithuanian pharmacy history by authoring three books: *Žymiausi Lietuvos farmacininkai* (Notable Lithuanian Pharmacists, 1998), *Lithuanian Pharmacy: The Suffering of Lithuanian Pharmacists* (2002), and *Lietuvos farmacija XX amžiuje* (Lithuanian Pharmacy in the 20th Century, 2005).

The third highlight is an exhibition at the Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy titled *XX a. Lietuvos farmacijos istorija vaistininko, karikatūristo Adomo Mačiaus akimis* (20th-century Lithuanian pharmacy history through the eyes of pharmacist and cartoonist Adomas Mačius). Adomas Mačius, a prominent figure in interwar pharmacy history, founded the Museum of Old Pharmacy in Kaunas in 1936, documenting the biographies of his fellow pharmacists, highlighting their contributions to the independence of Lithuania, and their professional activities. Forced to leave Lithuania after the Soviet occupation, Mačius settled in the United States, where he compiled a comprehensive manuscript on Lithuanian pharmacists and key historical events. This manuscript was illustrated not only with photographs but also with his own drawings depicting the political upheavals in Lithuania.



People and Medicines, a book by Tauras Mekas, Director of the Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy, 2023



Adomas Mačius' drawing, created in the USA around 1950, depicts the nationalization of pharmacies following the Soviet occupation in 1940. The caption reads: 'During the Bolshevik era, pharmacy owners were expelled on October 28, 1940.' The Jasaitis Pharmacy is featured

The exhibition featured excerpts and illustrations from this invaluable manuscript book. The curator of the exhibition was Zenona Šimaitienė.

Selected publications include Tauras Mekas' book *Žmonės ir vaistai: farmacijos istorijos paveikslėliai* (People and Medicines: Sketches of Pharmaceutical History), published by the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences in 2023.

The book is available online at <https://www.lma.lt/uploads/files/KNYGOS/%C5%BDmon%C4%97s%20ir%20vaistai%20-%20Tauras%20Mekas.pdf>.



Exhibition of Pharmacist Adomas Mačius' Drawings at the Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy, Kaunas, on March 23, 2023

Lithuanian pharmacy traditions and their rich cultural heritage were showcased at several festivals and events, such as the Gyvosios archeologijos dienos Kernavėje (Live Archaeology Days in Kernavė), the Senujų amatų dienos Nidoje (Days of Ancient Crafts in Nida), and the World Lithuanian Community's leadership meeting in Palanga.

Selected publications

- Raal, A., Gudienė, V., & Koshovyi, O. (2023). Professor Georg Dragendorff (1836–1898) as a toxicologist. *Pharmazie*, 78(8), 170–175.
- Gudienė, V. (2023). Lecturer at the University of Lithuania, pharmacist Benediktas Šiaulis (1887–1957) – Rockefeller Foundation scholarship holder. *Kauno istorijos metraštis* (Kaunas History Annals), (21), 55–76.
- Šimaitienė, Z. (2023). Adomą Mačių (1882–1974) prisimenant... (Remembering Adomas Mačius, 1882–1974). *Farmacija ir laikas* (Pharmacy and Time), (3).

NORWAY – THE NORWEGIAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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In 2023, the COVID-19 pandemic continued to impact local and national landscapes to a certain degree. Towards the end of the year, the situation returned to normalcy. For the Norwegian Society for the History of Pharmacy (NSHP), 2023 has been a fruitful year. Our meetings were conducted both as physical gatherings that were also streamed and as webinars exclusively. Of course, our advantage was our ability to reach members nationwide.



The Board

Following the election on May 23rd at the 2023 annual meeting, the board now comprises:

- Liv Slettevold (Chair)
- Sissel Brinchmann (Deputy Chair)
- Holger Moe Tørisen (Secretary)
- Board Members: Anne Gerd Granås, Anne Elise Eggen, and John Billy Nenningsland.

Paul Tore Nielsen appointed the new accountant, with Per Steinar Lund as deputy. Kjell Sandvik and Inger Wabø constitute the election committee.

Board Meetings

The board convened for nine meetings in 2023, all conducted via Zoom, as the board members are dispersed across the country.

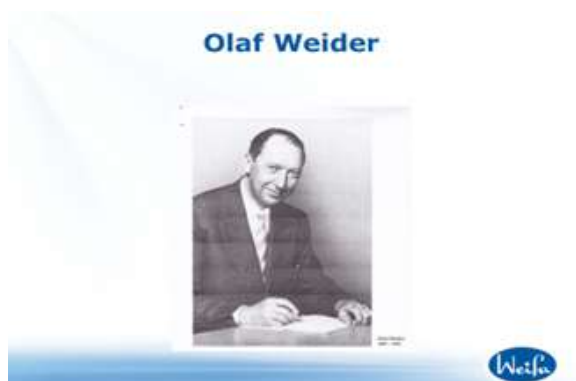
Webinar

A lecture titled "Production of Medicines in Norway" was delivered by Åge Nærdal, Cand. Pharm., and CEO of InsuLife, a company focusing on transdermal delivery solutions.

Annual Meeting - May 10, 2023

The Annual Meeting was hosted as a physical gathering and streamed via Zoom.

Following the meeting, Halvor Weider, former CEO of Weifa AS, presented the compelling history of "Weifa from 1940 to Today".



The Norwegian Society for the History of Pharmacy Autumn Meeting 2023

The meeting was held on November 1st "live" at the University of Oslo, in the Department of Pharmacy, and was streamed via Zoom. Kristin Svanqvist, former Head of the Reimbursement Section at the Norwegian Medicines Agency, delivered "A Historical Review of the 'Blue Prescriptions' – The Norwegian Reimbursement Scheme for Medicines." Gunvor Solheim, a former hospital pharmacist, presented on "Medicines at Tukthuset (a penitentiary) in Christiania." Holger Moe Tørisen and Liv Slettevold provided insights into "Cygnus: How to Run a Pharmacy History Journal." Concluding the program, former proprietor pharmacist John Billy Nenningsland discussed "Pharmaceutical Historical Collections in Norway" – the first project that involved visiting, photographing, and mapping all sites with such collections in all counties in Norway.

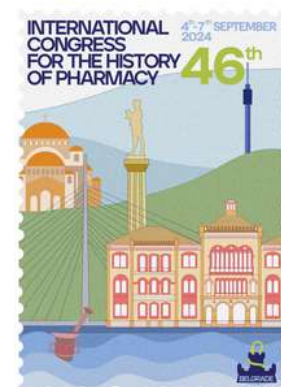
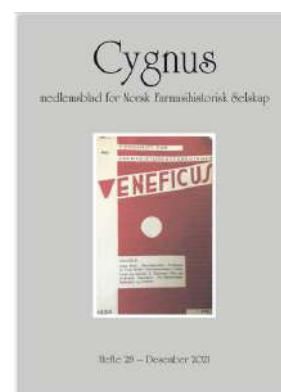
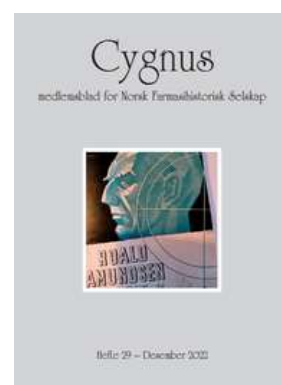
Cygnus

The journal *Cygnus* is a series dedicated to Norwegian pharmaceutical history. It was first published in October 1997 and has released 1-2 booklets annually since then. The publishing house *Cygnus* was established as a limited company on August 14, 1997, and has three owners: the Norwegian Pharmaceutical History Society, the Norwegian Pharmaceutical History Museum, and the Norwegian Pharmaceutical Society.

The journal series encompasses reviews of pharmaceutical literature, including pharmacopeias, collections of prescriptions, and other handbooks, as well as articles covering various aspects of pharmacy. The editors aim to record and document pharmaceutical historical events and preserve them for posterity. The content has been digitized and is available in downloadable editions. Since 2012, the Norwegian Pharmaceutical Historical Society (NFHS) has been the sole responsible publisher of the *Cygnus* booklets. Typically, *Cygnus* publishes one issue per year.

International Society for the History of Pharmacy

We are planning the participation of several board members in the 46th Congress of the ISHP, which will take place in Belgrade, Serbia, from September 4 to 7, 2024.



Our Tasks

The Norwegian Society for the History of Pharmacy will continue to publish *Cygnus* and uphold the tradition of hosting invited presentations on themes in the history of pharmacy at the annual autumn meeting, as well as organizing webinars on current themes. The website www.norskfarmasihistorie.no is being revised and will be relaunched this spring. The site will be available in English, French, Spanish, and German. We are also working on converting articles from earlier editions of *Cygnus* so that they can be translated as well. Furthermore, we are striving to recruit more members, which is challenging in a small country with multiple societies and museums competing for the same potential members. The tight economy poses a significant challenge, and we are actively seeking ways to strengthen our financial position.

Members

The number of paying members by the end of 2023 was 177.



The Honorary Members of the NSHP (from left to right): Yngve Torud (deceased), Aslaug Gombos (deceased), Mathis Gundersveen, and Gunvor Solheim

The Norwegian Society for the History of Pharmacy: 30 Years

The Norwegian Society for the History of Pharmacy was established in October 1994 and will celebrate its 30th anniversary in 2024.

This society was part of the first organized pharmacy history activity in Norway. The Norwegian Pharmaceutical History Museum, founded in 1963, represented the country's earliest organized effort in pharmacy history. However, the museum was primarily focused on pharmacy history related to museum activities, leaving the documentation of other types of pharmacy history without any formal organization. There was a significant need for an organization that could lead in collecting and publishing such documentation, and our society served as the solution.

Planned events will be announced at a later date.

POLAND – POLISH NATIONAL SECTION OF THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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The activities of the Polish Pharmaceutical Society's National Section for the History of Pharmacy are summarized as follows:

The Section in Kraków

In the Kraków section, significant efforts were made to foster interdisciplinary dialogue and research into the history of pharmacy. This was exemplified by co-organizing the first interdisciplinary Polish-Hungarian Workshop held in Kraków. Additionally, the section contributed substantially to the discourse on medical plants in historical and cultural contexts by participating in the second edition of the International Conference of the Institute of the History of Science of the Polish Academy of Sciences. This event, "Medical Plants in Science and Culture," was hosted in Warszawa-Ciechanowiec from May 20-22, 2023. Furthermore, the section engaged in the "Tenement House—Pharmacy—Museum" Conference, commemorating the 500th anniversary of the "House with the Tower" in Biecz, a landmark of historical significance. A session on "Medical and pharmaceutical museology: Tradition, problems, prospects" was also conducted, illustrating the section's commitment to exploring the challenges and opportunities in preserving medical and pharmaceutical heritage. The organization of the 5th National Seminar on the History of Pharmacy, centered on "Herbalism and Herbal Medicine," in Bydgoszcz, underscored the ongoing interest in traditional medicine and its historical roots.

The Section in Opole

The Opole section demonstrated its active involvement in preserving and celebrating the history of pharmacy through various engagements. Notably, the section participated in the virtual opening of the Pharmacy Museum in Sambor, Ukraine. This museum is situated in the former pharmacy of Master Stanisław Lepiankiewicz, a figure who maintained connections with the Opole community after 1945, thereby highlighting the cross-regional ties within the pharmaceutical field. The section's members contributed to the scholarly exchange by delivering papers at the "Humanistic Aspects of Pharmacy" Conference in Małkocin near Szczecin. This event and their participation in commemorating the 500th anniversary of the Tenement House with the Tower in Biecz reflect the section's dedication to exploring the humanistic dimensions of pharmacy. Additionally, their attendance at the "Medical Plants in Science and Culture" conference and the 70th-anniversary conference of the State Archives in Opole, coupled with the "25 Years of the Department of Microbiology at the University Clinical Hospital" event, demonstrates a broad engagement with historical, cultural, and scientific aspects of pharmacy. The "Gingerbread Aroma of Reality" ceremony, organized to celebrate the 80th birthday of pharmacist-poet Walter Pyka and the 50th anniversary of the awarding of Master of Pharmacy diplomas to five pharmacists, further showcases the section's commitment to recognizing significant milestones and individuals in the field.

The Section in Szczecin

A pivotal achievement for the Section in Szczecin was conferring a doctoral diploma upon Anna Nabielec, a distinguished Section member. This highlights the ongoing academic contributions and personal achievements within the community. Additionally, a significant endeavor undertaken by the Section was the orchestration of the "Humanistic Aspects of Pharmacy" conference. This event, held in Małkocin near Stargard and Szczecin, underscored the Section's dedication to exploring the interconnections between pharmacy and the humanities. During the Green Night of the Museum, the permanent pharmaceutical exhibition at the Museum in Stargard showcased demonstrations of pharmaceutical preparations led by the Section's chairman, Dr. Jerzy Waliszewski. In a collaborative effort with the District Chamber of Pharmacy, the Section also facilitated the display of kerosene lamps in pharmacy windows on July 31. This initiative commemorated Ignacy Łukasiewicz, the pioneer of the oil industry, highlighting the historical contributions to pharmacy and industry. An excursion titled "Tasting Germany with a Small Spoon" marked another significant activity, wherein participants explored pharmaceutical souvenirs in Hamburg and Bremerhaven, reflecting the Section's interest in international pharmacy history and culture.

Furthermore, members of the Section engaged with scholarly discourse through presentations by Dr. J. Waliszewski on "Advertisements in Pharmaceutical Calendars 1923-1939" and "Heroic Women Pharmacists in the Second World War." These sessions provided insights into historical perspectives on pharmacy. The Section is also responsible for maintaining the Chronicle and Archive of Memory, which focuses on pharmacists' contributions in Western Pomerania, with a particular emphasis on those in Oflag Woldenberg. This preserves the profession's rich history and legacy.

The Section in Warszawa

In the Warsaw Section, a notable activity was the homage paid to pharmacists who participated in the January Uprising of 1863. This act of remembrance underscores the Section's commitment to honoring the profession's historical figures and their contributions to national history. Efforts to record and preserve these memories for future generations have commenced, ensuring the longevity of their stories. Maria Głowniak, a Master of Pharmacy, enriched the collective memory by presenting the history of three generations of her pharmacist ancestors, offering a personal and historical perspective on the evolution of the pharmacy profession in her family.

Moreover, members from the Warsaw Section actively participated in the "Medical Plants in Science and Culture" conference, furthering their engagement with contemporary discussions on the significance of medical plants in both scientific and cultural dimensions. This participation was complemented by a visit to the Podlasie Botanical Garden in Korycin, near Ciechanowiec. It allowed members to immerse themselves in botanical studies and their relevance to pharmacy, bridging historical knowledge with modern scientific understanding.

During All Souls' Day, a solemn occasion was observed by preparing a list and paying tribute to pharmacists who passed away in 2023. This marked a period of remembrance and respect for those who contributed significantly to the pharmacy field in Poland.

In 2023, the Polish pharmacy community bid farewell to several esteemed individuals whose contributions have impacted the profession and its history. Among the departed were:

- Professor Ph.D. Aleksander Paweł Mazurek was a respected academic and mentor whose research and teachings have enriched the pharmaceutical sciences.
- Dr. Andrzej Syroka served as the head of the Pharmacy Museum in Wrocław, preserving and celebrating the pharmacy's heritage.
- M. Pharm. Kazimierz Kowalczyk, the former President of the Chamber of Pharmacy in Bielsko-Biała, led with dedication and foresight.
- Dr. Aleksander Drygas in Gdańsk is remembered for his contributions to the field and community.
- The unique 'White Lady' of Polish Pharmacy, Ph.D. Jadwiga Brzezińska in Kołobrzeg, whose legacy and character have left an indelible mark on those who knew her and the profession.

Through their various roles and contributions, these individuals have significantly influenced the history and development of Polish pharmacy. Their memories and achievements will continue to inspire and guide future generations within the pharmaceutical community. They will be deeply missed.



ROMANIA – THE ROMANIAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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In 2023, a century had elapsed since the establishment of autonomous pharmaceutical university education in Romania, with the first Faculty of Pharmacy being inaugurated in Bucharest on June 12, 1923. This milestone represents an achievement attributable to Carol Davila's vision and to the perseverance of the professors of that era, culminating in the current generations of pharmacists benefiting from internationally recognized university training. A preliminary step toward founding the Faculty of Pharmacy in Bucharest was initiating pharmaceutical education within a school organized and regulated by state authorities in 1857.

Concurrently, the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy played an active role in the centennial celebrations of the Faculty of Pharmacy in Bucharest (1923-2023), focusing on organizing the National Reunion of the History of Pharmacy. This event was held from June 12 to 15, 2023, at the Faculty of Pharmacy, "Carol Davila" University of Medicine and Pharmacy, in the "Vasile Lăzărescu" hall at 6 Traian Vuia Street, Bucharest.

The scientific program featured 52 papers across ten sessions, including two specifically dedicated to young researchers. Diplomas were awarded to the most commendable works. A volume comprising bilingual summaries (in Romanian and English/French) was also published.

The topics addressed were the following: milestones in Romanian pharmaceutical education, the evolution of the Disciplines over time, personalities from pharmaceutical education, highlights in the pharmaceutical field, and Varia.

The papers were written by teaching staff of the University of Medicine and Pharmacy in Bucharest and in the country (Cluj, Iași, Oradea, Sibiu) and university centers from abroad (Serbia, Republic of Moldova). The proposed themes have also proven attractive for many researchers concerned with pharmacy history and the pharmacist profession. The honorary committee of the RSHP Reunion, dedicated to the centenary of the Faculty, was represented by recognized personalities at national and international levels.



Cover of the abstracts volume

During the Centenary celebration of the Faculty of Pharmacy in Bucharest, a significant achievement was the valorization of the Museum Collection of the Faculty, which was highlighted through the publication of a richly illustrated album available in three languages: Romanian, English, and French.



Album Commemorating the Centenary: Faculty of Pharmacy, Bucharest, in the Centennial Year, 1923-2023: A History of Pharmacy through the Museum Collection of the Faculty

The celebration commenced on June 12, 2023, at 11.00 a.m., in the "Vasile Lăzărescu" Hall of the Faculty of Pharmacy, located at no 6 Traian Vuia Street, featuring an opening speech by Dean Prof. Dr. Farm. Doina Draganescu, followed by remarks from notable figures, including the rector of UMF "Carol Davila" Bucharest, Prof. Dr. Viorel Jinga, the President of the College of Pharmacists from Romania, and Prof. Emeritus Dr. Farm. Dumitru Lupuleasa, Vice-president of the Academy of Medical Sciences, Prof. Dr. Mircea Beuran, and the President of the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy, Prof. Dr. Farm. Adriana-Elena Taerel, among others. The event is also celebrated with a special philatelic issue dedicated to the Centenary and the awarding of plaques, diplomas, and medals.



Photographs documenting the commencement of the Centenary celebrations for the Faculty of Pharmacy, Bucharest, on June 12, 2023

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The Romfilatelia presentation panel featuring the philatelic issue commemorating the centennial of the Faculty of Pharmacy in Bucharest.



The medal commemorating the event was produced by the State Mint.



Exploring the Museum collection at the Faculty of Pharmacy



Speeches delivered by distinguished guests: Dean Prof. Dr. Farm. Doina Drăgănescu, Rector of the University of Medicine and Pharmacy 'Carol Davila' in Bucharest; Prof. Dr. Viorel Jinga; the French Ambassador to Bucharest, Ms. Laurance Auer; the President of the College of Pharmacists of Romania, Prof. Emeritus Dr. Farm. Dumitru Lupuleasa; the President of the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy, Prof. Dr. Pharm. Adriana-Elena Tăerel, among others. In the hallways of the Opera, participants of the event could enjoy the exhibition titled "Misce Fiat Arts - Pharmacists in Art," created for this occasion by young pharmacists passionate about painting and photography



The Opening Ceremony at the National Opera

National Congress of Pharmacy

Members of the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy (RSHP) actively participated in the XIXth Edition of the National Congress of Pharmacy, held from September 27 to 29, 2023, in Cluj-Napoca, Romania. They contributed to the symposium on the history of pharmacy, which focused on historical milestones in Romanian pharmaceutical practice and education. A total of four papers were presented:

- "100 Years Since the Establishment of the Autonomous University Pharmaceutical Education in Romania" by Prof. Univ. Dr. Doina Drăgănescu and Prof. Univ. Dr. Adriana Elena – Tăerel.
- "The Museum Collection 'Conf. Dr. Farm. Zisi St. Fârșirotu' - Didactic and Research Base," by Prof. Univ. Dr. Adriana - Elena Tăerel, Prof. Univ. Dr. Valentina Soroceanu, Șef Lucr. Dr. Emilia Stancu, Conf. Univ. Dr. Cristina Rais, Asist. Univ. Drd. Ana Maria Atănăsoaie, and Asist. Univ. Dr. Farm. Mihai Lucian Stănescu.
- "Iuliu Spătan and Graziella Baicu - A Family of Pharmacists," by Asist. Univ. Dr. Lucian-Mihai Stănescu, Prof. Univ. Dr. Adriana-Elena Tăerel, and Asist. Univ. Drd. Ana-Maria Atănăsoie.
- "Plants in Traditional Medicine from Romania," by Conf. Univ. Dr. Gabriela Antoaneta Vlăsceanu, Asist. Farm. Marcela Turcu, and Farm. primar Maria-Gabriela Suliman.

These contributions underscored the RSHP's dedication to advancing the study and appreciation of pharmacy's rich history and educational aspects in Romania.

Online Conference

'Integrative Medicine Today', October 19-20, 2023, Sibiu, Romania. The conference will explore the practice of natural therapies as reflected in the Museum Collection of the Faculty of Pharmacy in Bucharest and will highlight the involvement of the Romanian Society for the Study of Integrative Medicine (SRIF) in the valorization of the pharmaceutical heritage.

SERBIA – HISTORY OF PHARMACY SECTION OF THE SERBIAN PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY

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In 2023, members of the History of Pharmacy Section of the Pharmaceutical Association of Serbia participated in several international and domestic gatherings.

Main Activities at International and Domestic Congresses

Our members engaged in numerous domestic and international gatherings. Prof. Krajnović participated by invitation as a representative of the Section and a delegate of the Faculty of Pharmacy and as the General Secretary of the ISHP at a national scientific conference commemorating the centenary of the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University "Dr. Carol Davila" in Bucharest, Romania, in June 2023. She delivered a lecture titled "The History of Pharmacy, an Academic Discipline, and Its Onset in Serbia" on this occasion. She was honored with an anniversary plaque by the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy for her contributions to the bilateral cooperation between Serbian and Romanian pharmacy historians.

Ms. Jelena Manojlović showcased the Museum for the History of Pharmacy, part of the Faculty of Pharmacy, and the Kreuterbuch from the "Old and Rare Books" collection at the national annual conference of the British Society for the History of Pharmacy in April 2023. Additionally, Ms. Manojlović presented a scientific paper, "The Time-Renewing Pharmacy and Its Owners," co-authored with Ivan Janošević at the 14th Congress of Historians of Medicine. This event was organized by the History of Medicine Section of the Serbian Medical Society under the theme "800 Years of Serbian Medicine" in July 2023.

Meetings of the History of Pharmacy Section

The Section's Annual Meeting took place online on April 24, 2023. During the meeting, a scientific lecture titled "The History of Cinchona Calisaya – The Story of the Bark Over Barks" was presented by Mph. Spec. Aleksandar Jovanović, an assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacy at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Niš.

The Section's efforts were primarily dedicated to preparing and organizing the 46th International Congress on the History of Pharmacy. This significant event was a collaborative effort between the Section, the International Society for the History of Pharmacy, and the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Belgrade. An organizing committee for the Congress was established, which convened four times to coordinate various aspects of the event. These aspects included planning the congress's social agenda, developing and launching the Congress website (ishp24.com/en/home-english/), and organizing logistics related to venue and accommodation for speakers. Prof. Krajnović, serving as the president of the Congress, assembled the members of the scientific committee and extended invitations to plenary speakers.

Museum Activities

The Museum of the History of Pharmacy organized a traveling exhibition titled "The Thin Line (Tanka Linija)" which was showcased in several cities across Serbia. The exhibition was displayed at the City Museum of Zrenjanin from March 15 to May 3, 2023; at the City Museum of Vršac from July 7 to August 17, 2023; and at the Museum "Jadar" of Loznica. The exhibition focused on the delicate boundary between medicine and poison, explored through the lens of scientific history and heritage.



At the opening of 'The Thin Line (Tanka Linija)' exhibition at the City Museum of Zrenjanin, Serbia, on March 15, 2023



At the National Scientific Conference Commemorating the Centenary of the Faculty of Pharmacy, University 'Dr. Carol Davila', Bucharest, Romania, June 2023



Anniversary plaque presented by the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy to Prof. Dušana Krajnović, General Secretary of the ISHP, during the centenary celebration of the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University 'Dr. Carol Davila' in Bucharest, Romania, in June 2023



SPAIN – THE SOCIETY OF UNIVERSITY LECTURERS ON HISTORY OF SPANISH PHARMACY

Raúl Rodríguez Nozal

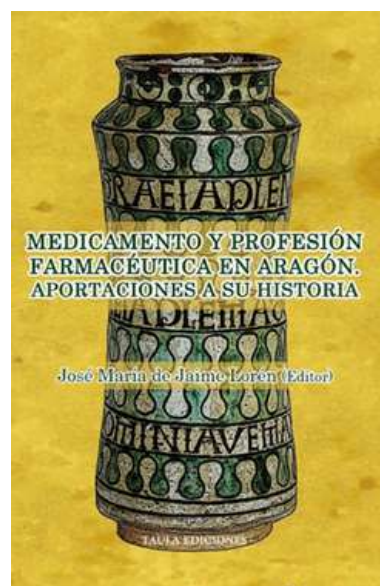
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The primary activities and updates concerning the Sociedad de Docentes Universitarios de Historia de la Farmacia de España (SDUHFE) have been communicated via our official website (<https://sduhfe.wordpress.com>) and its associated Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/SDUHFE>). Interested individuals can stay informed by subscribing to our services on both the website and Facebook page or by exploring the "Somos noticia" section (<https://sduhfe.wordpress.com/category/somos-noticia>), which aggregates the majority of the content published in 2023. Presented below, in chronological order, is a summary of these updates:

January 12, 2023: The Museo de la Farmacia Hispana (Faculty of Pharmacy, Universidad Complutense de Madrid) commemorated the 300th anniversary of the *Tarifa General de Precios de Medicinas* in Cuba, dated 1723. This is the second printed document in Cuban history. We are grateful to Arnaldo Batista, editor of the bulletin *Memorias de la Ciudad* (Cuba), for spotlighting this significant document.



January 23, 2023: Following our earlier announcement regarding the VI. Conference of our society held in Calamocha last March, we are pleased to reveal the publication of a book that compiles the papers presented at this academic event. The book, titled *Medicamento y Profesión Farmacéutica en Aragón: Aportaciones a su historia* (Zaragoza: Taula Ediciones, 2022), has been distributed in print to all members. We congratulate our colleague José María de Jaime Lorén for his exemplary editorial work on this monograph, and we provide images of the book's cover, title page, and table of contents for further insight.



February 14, 2023: José María de Jaime Loren has been inducted into the Academy of Pharmacy of the Valencian Community. Our esteemed colleague, José María de Jaime Loren, will be officially welcomed as a full member of the Academy of Pharmacy of the Comunitat Valenciana. The induction ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8, at 19:00. The keynote address, titled "Percepción social de la Farmacia según la literatura popular: Para buen boticario ser cuatro 'ces' hay que tener" ("The Social Perception of Pharmacy According to Popular Literature: To be a Good Pharmacist, One Must Have Four 'C's"), will be presented by the academician Julio Muelas Tirado. Our warmest congratulations to José María!

ACADEMIA DE FARMACIA
DE LA COMUNITAT VALENCIANA

El Presidente de la **Academia de Farmacia de la Comunitat Valenciana** en nombre de la Corporación y en el suyo propio tiene el honor de invitarle a Ud. al ingreso como Académico de Número del Ilmo. Sr. Dr.

D. José María de Jaime Loren

Que disertará sobre:
"Percepción social de la Farmacia según la literatura popular:
Para buen boticario ser cuatro 'ces' hay que tener"

Discurso de contestación del Académico de Número Ilmo. Sr. Dr.
D. Julio Muelas Tirado

Miércoles 8 de marzo de 2023 a las 19 horas
Desde el Muy Ilustre Colegio Oficial de Farmacéuticos de Valencia
Sesión presencial y online vía ZOOM

Enlace Zoom: <https://micof-es.zoom.us/j/87248726453>
Al finalizar el acto se servirá un vino de honor

March 1, 2023: Carlos del Castillo Rodríguez has joined the Royal Academy of Doctors of Spain. We proudly announce that our colleague, Carlos del Castillo Rodríguez, has been named a corresponding member of the Royal Academy of Doctors of Spain. His inauguration occurred today, March 1, 2023, at 18:00, in the Assembly Hall of the Biblioteca Marqués de Valdecilla (3 Noviciado Street, Madrid).

His lecture, entitled "La proliferación de la falsificación de medicamentos: Estudio jurídico" (The Proliferation of Counterfeit Medicines: A Legal Study), was introduced by Rosa Basante Pol, who is also a distinguished member of our society. Congratulations, Carlos!

EL PRESIDENTE Y LA JUNTA DE GOBIERNO
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Tienen el honor de invitarle a la toma de posesión como Académico Correspondiente del

Sr. Dr. D. Carlos del Castillo Rodríguez

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Será presentado en nombre de la Real Academia de Doctores de España por la
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March 16, 2023: Book Presentations at the Royal National Academy of Pharmacy. Today, the Royal National Academy of Pharmacy will host presentations of two books authored by members of our society. The first book, *El Príncipe Don Carlos de Austria. Un hombre desesperado. Historia y Leyenda* (Madrid: Sanz Torres/Asociación de Hidalgos de España, 2021) by Francisco Javier Puerto Sarmiento, will be introduced by Antonio González Bueno. The second book, *Epidemias* (Madrid: Ilustre Colegio Oficial de Farmacéuticos de Badajoz/RANF, 2022), authored by Francisco Javier Puerto Sarmiento, Alberto Gomis Blanco, Antonio González Bueno, Raúl Rodríguez Nozal, and Cecilio Venegas Fito, will be presented by Francisco Javier Puerto Sarmiento himself. Attendees can join the session in person at the Royal National Academy of Pharmacy starting from 19:00 or watch it online on the ranf.tv channel.

June 12, 2023: Botany Congress in Tribute to Carlos Pau Español, Segorbe, 1987. A video from the Botany Congress held in honor of Carlos Pau Español in Segorbe (Castellón) on May 8 and 9, 1987, has been uploaded to our YouTube channel. We extend our gratitude to José María de Jaime Lorén and Jesús Lechón Meléndez for submitting this valuable document. Manuel Zarzoso Vicente made the VHS recording, with photographs by Rafael Martín Artíguez and the congress poster designed by Juan Roche Esteve, known as "Rochesteve."

June 19, 2023: Pharmacists and America: Between Science and Commerce. A new video titled *Farmacéuticos y América. Entre la Ciencia y el Comercio*, focusing on the pharmacy during the Magellan/Elcano Expedition, has been added to our YouTube channel. Directed by Antonio Ramos Carrillo as part of the Scientific Dissemination Project of the Vice-Rectorate for Research at the Universidad de Sevilla, the video features contributions from Antonio Ramos Carrillo, Raquel C. Cueli Trelle, Cecilio J. Venegas Fito, Rocío Ruiz Altaba, and others, including the theatrical company "Mutis por el Foro" (Zafra).

June 22, 2023: Article by Agustín García Asuero. We are delighted to share that an article by Agustín García Asuero, titled "Los congresos internacionales de Farmacia y la creación de la 'Federation Internationale Pharmaceutique' (FIP)," has been published in the *Memorias de la Real Academia Sevillana de Ciencias (2020-2021)*. This lecture, part of the "History and Philosophy of Science and Technology" series, was delivered on March 2, 2020.

June 28, 2023: 50th Anniversary of the Asociación Española de Farmacéuticos de Letras y Artes. The Official College of Pharmacists of Valencia will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Asociación Española de Farmacéuticos de Letras y Artes (AEFLA) at its Valencia headquarters on Thursday, June 29, from 14:45 to 17:00. The complete program is accessible via this link (<https://www.micof.es/ver/46469>), featuring a lecture by José María de Jaime Lorén titled "Un vistazo a la farmacia en las fallas."



July 5, 2023: Proceedings of the XV. Jornades d'Història de la Farmàcia (Vallbona de les Monges, October 22-23, 2021). The XV. Jornades d'Història de la Farmàcia, organized by the Societat Catalana d'Història de la Farmàcia, took place at the Real Monasterio de Santa María de Vallbona (Vallbona de les Monges, Lleida) on October 22 and 23, 2021. The proceedings have been published in the Revista de la Societat Catalana d'Història de la Farmàcia, volume 16, issue 38 (December 2022). This issue includes several articles by members of our Society: “Noticias del farmacéutico turolense Matías Gámir y Corella y de su hijo Aurelio Gámir Sanz, fundador de los Laboratorios Gámir” by José María de Jaime Lorén, “Creación de la Facultad de Farmacia y Medicina en la Universidad de Santo Tomás (Manila, Filipinas)” by Francisco Mulet Zaragoza and Amparo Millà Mulet, “Antecedentes farmacéuticos del maestro y escritor republicano aragonés Alejandro Gargallo” by José María de Jaime Lorén and Fermín Ezpeleta Aguilar, “Atención farmacéutica desde el monasterio de San Millán de la Cogolla en los siglos XVII y XVIII” by Juan Manuel Vázquez Lasa and Cecilio J. Venegas Fito, “Boticas conventuales extremeñas: Guadalupe y Yuste” by Cecilio J. Venegas Fito and Juan Manuel Vázquez Lasa, and “La farmacia vegetal en la obra de Santa Hildegarda de Bingen” by Paloma Ruiz Vega.



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SOCIETAT CATALANA D'HISTÒRIA DE LA FARMÀCIA



Monestir de Santa
Maria de Vallbona

September 11, 2023: Apothecary, Pantry, and Art in the Old Hospitals of Seville. The Editorial Universidad de Sevilla has released a book titled *Botica, despensa y arte en los antiguos hospitales sevillanos* (ISBN: 978-84-472-2420-3; 216 pages), authored by Esteban Moreno Toral, Francisco Núñez Roldán, Jesús Miguel Palomero Páramo, and Antonio Ramos Carrillo. Notably, both the first and last authors are members of our Society. The book comprises chapters such as “Fundación y gobierno” by Esteban Moreno Toral, “La asistencia farmacéutica” by Antonio Ramos Carrillo, “Despensa y buen comer en los hospitales sevillanos del Siglo de Oro (1510-1649)” by Francisco Núñez Roldán, and “El doctor don Celedonio de Açoca y el retablo mayor del Hospital de mujeres de las Cinco Llagas” by Jesús Miguel Palomero Páramo.

September 14, 2023: VII. Conference of the SDUHFE. Dear colleagues, during our last gathering in Calamocha (Teruel) on March 26, 2022, you graciously entrusted the SDUHFE Board of Directors with the task of approving a feasible proposal for our VII SDUHFE Conference. A dedicated team led by Enrique Aramburu Araluce has committed to organizing this event in Plentzia (Bizkaia) on May 9 and 10, 2025. After reviewing their proposal, the Board of Directors believes it to be robust and worthy of our endorsement.

September 21, 2023: Agustín García Asuero's Induction into the Academia Nacional de Ciencias Farmacéuticas de México. In July, our esteemed colleague Agustín García Asuero was inducted as a corresponding member of the Academia Nacional de Ciencias Farmacéuticas de México. The induction ceremony was held in the Academia Mexicana de Cirugía hall. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to him!



September 29, 2023: Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia: 2023 Scientific Competition. The Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia has announced its scientific competition for 2023. Although there are no prizes specifically dedicated to the History of Pharmacy, several awards are available for topics of an open nature. These include the "Premio Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia," offering 6,000 euros; the "Premio ASISA," valued at 2,500 euros; and the "Premio Antonio Doadrio López," which affords a doctoral student from the Facultad de Farmacia de la Universidad Complutense de Madrid the honor of receiving a doctoral degree. Entries for these awards must be submitted by November 9, 2023, before 20:00. The competition's guidelines can be found on the RANF website.

October 27, 2023: International Thesis Defense at Universidad Complutense de Madrid. On Friday, October 20, Enrico Cevolani defended his doctoral thesis (with international mention) at the Facultad de Farmacia of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid. The thesis, titled "Historia y Legislación de la Farmacia boloñesa en la época napoleónica (1796-1814)/Storia e Legislazione della Farmacia Bolognese nel Periodo Napoleonico (1796-1814)," was supervised by Carlos del Castillo Rodríguez, a member of our Society. The examination board included Antonio González Bueno (president) and Raúl Rodríguez Nozal (member), along with Patrizia Romualdi (via teleconference), Fernando Miguel Ferrandiz Vindel, and María del Carmen González Leonor. The thesis was awarded an outstanding "cum laude" distinction.

November 13, 2023: Lecture by Francisco Javier Puerto Sarmiento at the Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia. Our esteemed colleague Francisco Javier Puerto Sarmiento was set to deliver a lecture titled "Las epidemias de cólera en Madrid durante el siglo XIX y la Higiene pública" at the Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia (Calle Farmacia, 11, Madrid). The event, held on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at 19:00, was live-streamed on the ranf.tv website.

November 16, 2023: Cecilio Venegas Fito's Engagements in Peru and Paraguay. Our colleague Cecilio Venegas Fito has been actively involved in various events hosted by Peruvian institutions, including the Universidad Nacional San Antonio Abad and the Departmental Chemical-Pharmaceutical Colleges of Cuzco and Trujillo. Furthermore, he participated in the I. Congreso Internacional. Realidad del Químico-Farmacéutico. Fortalezas, desafíos y propuestas para el próximo decenio" and delivered a lecture on "medicamentos biosimilares" at the Universidad Nacional de Asunción. This lecture was attended by notable figures such as the Rector of the University (who is also a pharmacist), the Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, the President of the Sociedad Paraguaya de Oncología, former Rector Andrés Amarilla, and Blas Vázquez, the current President of the Academia Paraguaya de Farmacia. These individuals were key supporters of his visit, during which he also toured several plants and met with representatives from the laboratories Italquímica, Swiss Pharma, and Éticos, all part of the Scavone business group.

November 19, 2023: Exhibition on Agustín Trigo Mezquita. An exhibition dedicated to the Valencian pharmacist Agustín Trigo Mezquita, the innovator behind Laboratorio del Dr. Trigo and the renowned products "Trinaranjus" and "Orangina," is set to open on Monday, November 20, 2023. Our colleague José María de Jaime Lorén, the event's coordinator, will conduct the opening conference. The exhibition will be available for viewing in the auditorium of the Muy Ilustre Colegio de Farmacéuticos de Valencia (Calle Conde de Montornés, 7, 46003 Valencia) from November 20, 2023, through January 31, 2024.

DEFENSOR DE LA FARMACIA Y DE LA PROFESIÓN

Agustín Trigo fue más un hombre de hechos que de palabras, y ello a pesar de los notables discursos que pronunció, en los que siempre utilizó un lenguaje nítido, resonado sin dobleces, a veces rudo. Pero consideró necesaria esta claridad para combatir, sobre todo al tratar de la farmacia española, los convencionalismos de la época, los falsos respetos, la "mentira oficial que ya no engaña a nadie", como le gustaba decir.

Por el papel que los Laboratorios del Dr. Trigo jugaron en la consolidación de una incipiente industria farmacéutica y alimenticia, pero sobre todo por su labor organizativa en los inicios del Colegio Oficial de Farmacéuticos de Valencia, con esta exposición, pensamos, se recuerdan sus méritos y se le rinde un merecido homenaje.

José María de Jaime Lorén
Farmacéutico y experto en la figura de Agustín Trigo Mezquita

EXPOSICIÓN

Del 20 de noviembre 2023 al 31 de enero 2024.

SEDE MICOF VALENCIA (Salón de actos)
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AGUSTÍN TRIGO MEZQUITA

Farmacéutico valenciano inventor del trinaranjus y orangina

November 28, 2023: Presentation of the Book *Botica, Despensa y Arte en los Antiguos Hospitales Sevillanos*. The book titled *Botica, Despensa y Arte en los Antiguos Hospitales Sevillanos* (Seville: Universidad de Sevilla, 2023), authored by Esteban Moreno Toral, Francisco Núñez Roldán, Jesús Miguel Palomero Páramo, and Antonio Ramos Carrillo—with the first and last being current members of our Society—was presented on Friday, November 24, at the Ateneo de Sevilla.



December 1, 2023: Cecilio Venegas Fito Appointed Vice-President of AEFLA. Our esteemed colleague, Cecilio Venegas Fito, has been appointed vice-president of the Asociación Española de Farmacéuticos de Letras y Artes (AEFLA). Our warmest congratulations to him on this significant achievement!

December 13, 2023: Book Presentation at the Ateneo de Madrid. This afternoon, at 18:00, the Ateneo de Madrid (Salón Ciudad de Úbeda, Calle Prado, 21) will host the presentation of two noteworthy publications: *Madrid en negro. Las invasiones del Cólera durante el siglo XIX* (Madrid: Fundación de Ciencias de la Salud, 2023) by Javier Puerto Sarmiento, and *La humanización de la Sanidad a través de la historia: Edad Media* (Madrid: Fundación de Ciencias de la Salud, 2023), a collaborative work coordinated by Javier Puerto Sarmiento with contributions from Miguel Ángel Ladero Quesada, María Jesús Viguera Molins, Amparo Alba Cecilia, José Carlos Bermejo, and Antonio González Bueno. Participants in the event include José González Núñez, José Miguel Colldefors, along with our colleagues Javier Puerto Sarmiento and Antonio González Bueno. The books are available for download on the Fundación de Ciencias de la Salud website.

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December 15, 2023: Closing Gala of AEFLA's 50th Anniversary. The Ateneo de Madrid hosted the closing gala for the 50th anniversary of AEFLA (Asociación Española de Farmacéuticos de Letras y Artes) on December 12. The celebration, featuring members of our Society, was orchestrated by Manuela Plasencia (secretary of AEFLA). The evening was filled with various activities, as highlighted in the promotional poster, including image projections, speeches, the awarding of prizes, medals, and honors, pharmaceutical monologues, a saxophone concert, and the unveiling of the "Libro de Oro de AEFLA."



The newsletters from the Museo de la Farmacia Hispana (Faculty of Pharmacy, Universidad Complutense de Madrid), which are issued monthly, feature a variety of content organized under the section titled "we are working..." and, in each edition, highlight a "piece of the month." The selected pieces of the month for the year 2023 included:

- "The Wizard in Civilian Clothes and in Sanitary Work Attire. Original illustration for 'El arte de curar la pupa,' by Pedro Malo. Ink on paper. Miguel A. Echevarría 'Miki'."
- "Static Electricity Machine."
- "Starch Capsule Molder."
- "Cork Press."
- "Albarelos (Drug Jars). José Ros. Watercolors. 1958. 21.5 x 15.5 cm."
- "Immaculate Conception. Jacinto Gómez Pastor. Oil on canvas. 18th Century. MFH 2439."
- "Exhibition of the Month. Ascensión Más-Guindal Calderero (1904-1971): Scientific Popularizer."

SWITZERLAND – SCHWEIZERISCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR GESCHICHTE DER PHARMAZIE / SOCIÉTÉ SUISSE D’HISTOIRE DE LA PHARMACIE

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The inaugural assembly of SGGP/SSHP members for 2023 convened at the annual conference on April 29th in the historic old town of Zug. This gathering occurred in the striking Gothic town hall under the theme "Designing New Medicines - Past and Present." The conference featured riveting presentations, including one by Dr. HP Strebel (Lucerne), who shared his personal journey with the MS drug Tecfidera®. This was followed by Prof. Dr. Barbara Orland (Basel), who delivered a critical examination of bezoars. Furthermore, Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter (Frankfurt-DE) presented various innovations encompassing historical perspectives. The social segment of the meeting provided ample opportunities for networking and exploring the history of Zug, making the event thoroughly successful. Additional details are available at <http://www.histpharm.ch/vergangene-veranstaltungen-schweiz.html>.

The year 2023 was relatively subdued in social activities, culminating almost with the traditional event on August 19th. The erstwhile Muri Monastery, which houses Dr. Franz Käppeli's Museum of Medical History Books, became the venue for this gathering. Attendees were treated to rare finds of pharmaceutically and medically significant ancient texts. Professor Dr. Iris Ritzmann elucidated some of the hidden gems within these treasures. The event also included a concert in the monastery church—essentially a part of the main rehearsal—followed by a luncheon that facilitated friendly and scholarly exchanges.



Despite its exclusive digital distribution, the newsletter, *Novellas*, has been garnering increasing attention. It offers reports from the Executive Board, summaries of books (including those presented in 2023), introductions to colleagues and their hobbies, and highlights of exhibitions throughout Switzerland, all presented in a manner that is both engaging and informative regarding the history of pharmacy.

In summary, SGGP/SSHP experienced a fruitful year, marked by adding eight new members. We extend a warm welcome to all newcomers!

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La première rencontre des membres de la SSPH en 2023 fut le congrès annuel du 29 avril 2023, tenue dans la vieille ville de Zoug. Cette réunion s'est déroulée dans l'impressionnante salle gothique de l'hôtel de ville, sous le thème « Concevoir de nouveaux médicaments : hier et aujourd'hui ». Des interventions captivantes ont été réalisées, notamment par le Dr HP. Strebel (Lucerne/g), relatant son expérience personnelle avec le médicament Tecfidera® contre la sclérose en plaques, par la professeure Barbara Orland (Bâle/m), qui a examiné les bézoards sous un angle critique, et par le professeur Axel Helmstädter (Francfort-sur-le-Main, Allemagne/d), abordant une variété d'innovations, y compris dans un contexte historique. La réception qui a suivi a offert d'excellentes opportunités de réseautage et d'enrichissement culturel sur l'histoire de la ville, contribuant au succès de l'événement. Pour plus d'informations, visitez <http://www.histpharm.ch/vergangene-veranstaltungen-schweiz.html>.

L'année 2023 a été relativement calme pour la société, culminant presque avec la traditionnelle réception conviviale du 19 août 2023. L'ancien couvent de Muri, abritant le musée des livres d'histoire de la médecine du Dr Franz Käppeli, renferme d'incalculables raretés d'ouvrages anciens d'intérêt pharmaceutique et médical. La professeure Dr Iris Ritzmann (au milieu) a révélé aux participants quelques secrets de ces précieux trésors. Suivi d'un concert dans l'église du monastère, qui faisait partie d'une répétition générale, le déjeuner a été l'occasion d'échanges amicaux et scientifiques enrichissants.



Notre bulletin d'information, *Novellas*, connaît un succès croissant, bien qu'il soit distribué "uniquement en format numérique". Il est apprécié pour son contenu qui va au-delà des nouvelles du comité, présentant des ouvrages (voir les présentations de 2023 ci-dessous), des collègues et leurs passe-temps, et informant également sur des expositions en Suisse. L'histoire de la pharmacie y est abordée de manière à la fois pratique, divertissante et vivante.

En somme, la SSPH a vécu une année fructueuse, et huit personnes ont exprimé le souhait de devenir membres. Nous leur souhaitons la bienvenue !

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Das erste Treffen der Mitglieder der SGGP im Jahr 2023 war die Jahrestagung am 29.4.2023 in der Altstadt von Zug. Die Tagung fand im wunderschönen gotischen Ratssaal statt und stand unter dem Thema „Neue Arzneimittel entwerfen – früher und heute“. Spannende Vorträge hielten Dr. HP Strebel (Luzern/li), der seine eigene Geschichte mit dem MS-Medikament Tecfidera® erzählte, gefolgt von Prof. Dr. Barbara Orland (Basel/mi), die Bezoare kritisch betrachtete, und Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter (Frankfurt-DE/re), der über verschiedenste Innovationen, auch historische, berichtete. Im geselligen Teil wurde dem Netzwerken und der Geschichte der Stadt viel Raum gegeben. Ein rundum gelungener Anlass. Mehr Informationen unter <http://www.histpharm.ch/vergangene-veranstaltungen-schweiz.html>.



Das Jahr 2023 war ein ziemlich ruhiges Gesellschaftsjahr, welches mit dem traditionellen geselligen Anlass am 19.8.2023 fast schon wieder zum Abschluss kam. Im ehemaligen Kloster Muri befindet sich das Museum für medizinhistorische Bücher von Dr. Franz Käppeli, wo sich absolute Raritäten pharmazeutisch und medizinisch interessanter alter Schriften finden. Professor Dr. Iris Ritzmann vermochte, die Anwesenden in einige Geheimnisse der Schätze einzuweihen. Nach einem Konzert in der Klosterkirche, eigentlich einem Teil der Hauptprobe, wurde das gemeinsame Mittagessen zu einem Ort für freundschaftlichen und wissenschaftlichen Austausch.

Unser Newsletter, *Novellas*, scheint immer größeren Anklang zu finden, auch wenn er „nur digital“ verschickt wird; gelesen wird er trotzdem. Es wird nicht nur aus dem Vorstand berichtet, sondern auch Bücher werden kurz vorgestellt (siehe Vorstellungen 2023), Kollegen mit ihren Freizeitbeschäftigungen präsentiert und auf Ausstellungen in der Schweiz hingewiesen. Pharmaziegeschichte wird praktisch, lustvoll und animierend dargestellt.

Unter dem Strich hatte die SGGP ein gutes Jahr, wiederum haben sich acht zusätzliche Personen um eine Mitgliedschaft beworben. Herzlich willkommen!

TÜRKİYE – TURKISH HISTORY OF PHARMACY RESEARCH GROUP

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In 2023, significant events underscored the rich heritage and evolving landscape of pharmacy in Türkiye and beyond, reflecting a deep-seated tradition of medical scholarship and practice. These events, from intimate workshops to large-scale congresses, celebrated historical milestones and fostered academic exchange and collaboration between professionals from diverse backgrounds. The highlight of the year was the activities commemorating the centenary of the founding of the Turkish Republic in 1923, particularly in terms of pharmacy history. Below is a chronological account of these pivotal moments, highlighting the contributions of distinguished academics and professionals to the field of pharmacy and its historical understanding.

April 28, 2023: Prof. Halil Tekiner's visit to Italy, facilitated by Prof. Chiara Beatrice Vicentini, offered a comprehensive exploration of the historical and academic wealth of Ferrara's medical and pharmaceutical heritage. The journey through the Pharmacy Museum, the Botanical Garden and Herbarium, the Anatomical Theatre, and the rich pharmaceutical manuscript collections underscored the interconnection between historical scholarship and contemporary medical sciences.



ISHP President Tekiner visited the Pharmacy Museum at the University of Ferrara, guided by Prof. Chiara Vicentini

June 7, 2023: Prof. Dr. Afife Mat delivered a lecture titled "Portraits from Turkish History of Pharmacy: Prof. Dr. Turhan Baytop and Prof. Dr. Asuman Baytop."

June 24, 2023: H. Tekiner gave a lecture on the history of Turkish pharmacy as illustrated in caricatures at the 72nd National Congress for the History of Pharmacy, organized by the Italian Academy for the History of Pharmacy in Brescia, Italy. This event also commemorated the late Mr. Angelo Beccarelli, a beloved Italian colleague who had hosted the previous International Congress for the History of Pharmacy and had passed away a year earlier.

September 25, 2023: Pharmacist Eyup T. Kocacik was awarded the "Pharmacist Adding Value to the Profession" award by the Turkish Pharmacists Association for his historical posts in the *Eczacı Dergisi* (Journal of Pharmacists).

September 29, 2023: H. Tekiner presented a plenary lecture on the depiction of anesthetics in art at the 13th Conference of the Turkish Society for Anesthesiology in Kayseri.

October 18, 2023: A. Mat presented a talk on Dioscorides and his "De Materia Medica" at the Dioscorides Workshop.

October 21, 2023: Pharmacy students from Erciyes University visited the Gevher Nesibe Darüşşifa (Hospital) and Medical Madrasah Complex in Kayseri. Established in 1206 in honor of Seljuk Princess Gevher Nesibe, this building now serves as a Museum of Seljuk Civilization.

October 27, 2023: H. Tekiner lectured about the milestones of Turkish history of pharmacy at the VII. National Congress of Pharmacy Students at Atatürk University in Erzurum.

December 14, 2023: H. Tekiner delivered the opening lecture at the 9th National Congress of Turkish Hospital and Institutional Pharmacists (TÜKED), organized in Bafra, North Cyprus.

These curated activities and lectures provided valuable insights into pharmacy's historical and contemporary significance, showcasing the depth of Türkiye's contribution to the global understanding of medical sciences.



At the 9th National Congress of Turkish Hospital and Institutional Pharmacists, Tekiner presented the inaugural lecture, which explored the century-long evolution of Turkish pharmacy throughout the Republican period since 1923

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UNITED KINGDOM – BRITISH SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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The BSHP continued with our program of online talks using the Zoom platform throughout 2023. We were treated to expert opinions on the following topics: “Dioscorides’ Botanical Legacy in the Medieval Mediterranean: Critical Practices of Botanical Illustration” by Dr. Andrew P. Griebeler (Princeton University), “Perfumery and Pharmacy: The Greek and Roman History of a Match Made in Heaven” by Prof. Laurence Totelin (University of Cardiff), “The Herbal Materia Medica in Greek Texts – A Botanical and Pharmacognostic Perspective” by Dr. Andreas Lardos (Institute of Chemistry and Biotechnology, ZHAW Zurich University of Applied Sciences), “Shifting from Medicine to Botany: The Hidden History of 16th Century Herbaria” by Dr. Anastasia Stefanaki (Naturalis Biodiversity Center, Leiden), “Synthesizing Hope: 20th Century Drug Discovery in South Africa” by Prof. Anne Pollock (King's College, London), and “From Plant to Drug: The Quest for an Indian Pharmacopeia” by Dr. Nandini Bhattacharya (University of Houston).

If the title of any of these lectures appeals to you and you would like to hear them, most are still available on our YouTube channel, which can be accessed here: <https://www.youtube.com/c/BSHPBritishSocietyfortheHistoryofPharmacy>. All of our Zoom lectures are free to attend, but registration via Eventbrite is necessary - please join us if you can.

Once again, Briony Hudson presided over our second post-Covid in-person conference held in March in Oxford. Chris Duffin led a pre-conference visit to the Oxford University Museum of Natural History and the Pitt Rivers Museum, where we were able to examine medical instruments, amulets, and medicaments from a wide range of cultures.

The post-conference visit took us to the History of Science Museum in Oxford. Conference lectures included talks by Stephen A. Harris (Druce Curator of Oxford University Herbaria) on George Claridge Druce, Chris Duffin (“The Stag as a Source of Materia Medica”), Jelena Manojilovic (“Adam Lonicerus’s Kreuterbuch as Functional Cultural Heritage”), Matteo Sartori (“Balsam de Chili and *Drimys winteri*: Entangled Histories of British Pharmacy”), Maria do Sameiro Barroso (“Medicine and Magic in a Recipe of Aspasia”), Florian Eidam-Weber (“Teaching at the Institute of the History of Pharmacy and Medicine at Phillips University Marburg, Germany – Its Past, Present, & Future”), Gabriel Lake Carter (“The Pharmacy Image’: Advertising and the Business Education of Pharmacists, 1900-1975”), Carolyn Collins (“The Best Morning Tonic’: Citrus aurantium from Pharmacy Jar to Marmalade Pot; Looking at the Therapeutic Value of the Seville Orange”), Manon Auffret (“From Medieval Apothecaries to the Faculty of Pharmacy of Rennes: A Short History of Pharmaceutical Education in Brittany”), and Professor Roisin O’Hare gave the final lecture of the conference to mark the centenary of the Guild of Hospital Pharmacists - “Concocting Lotions, Prescribing Potions, and All Kinds of Crazy Notions! Evolution of the Practice of the Hospital Pharmacist from 1923 to 2023.”

During the Saturday evening, we were confronted with a range of pharmaceutical objects borrowed from the RPS Museum and Society of Apothecaries; there was much hilarity as we tried to work out their various functions.

In June, the BSHP collaborated with the International Society for the History of Neuroscience for a conference in Rennes. Chris Duffin presented two papers at a special symposium on common themes in Pharmacy and Neuroscience: “Anti-epileptic Gems and Amulets” and “Austro-Bavarian Folklore Approaches to Epilepsy.”

The small grant scheme, established in honor of past President Peter Homan, supported two projects in 2023: an Apothecary Expansion Project at the National Emergency Services Museum in Sheffield and pharmaceutical aspects of the development of a Creativity Gallery at the National Civil War Centre at Newark Museum.

Regarding publications, members received four issues of our in-house newsletter, the BSHP Gazette. *The Pharmaceutical Historian: An International Journal for the History of Pharmacy* continues to thrive, with four issues of volume 53 appearing in March, June, September, and December under Stuart Anderson’s editorship. Back issues, including some online-only content, are available via Ingenta. The journal welcomes submissions from international authors; if you have a suitable piece you hope to publish, please consider the *Pharmaceutical Historian* as a potential destination. Instructions for authors are available on the BSHP website, where you can also follow us on social media (Facebook/Twitter: @PharmHist).



BSHP President, Chris Duffin, explains the medical uses of certain amulets on display in the Pitt Rivers Museum, Oxford, March 2023.



A BSHP member demonstrates using the pill-rolling machine at the annual conference in March 2023.



BSHP conference delegates visit the History of Science Museum collections, Oxford, March 2023.

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The following summarizes the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy (AIHP) activities and work from 2023 to 2024.

Strategic Priorities

AIHP's Board of Directors and Institute staff devoted time and effort during 2023-2024 to live up to the Institute's strategic priorities. The following four strategic priorities, first selected in 2021, have guided the Institute's progress in these areas: (1) Increasing the accessibility of AIHP's historical collections; (2) Increasing AIHP's operating revenues by at least \$50,000 annually; (3) Enhancing partnerships and collaborations with pharmacy, pharmaceutical, and historical organizations; and (4) Integrating and promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion in all aspects of AIHP's programs and operations.

Awards

AIHP selected Dr. Alain Touwaide to receive the 2023 George Urdang Medal. Touwaide, a scholar, lecturer, collector, and the current Scientific Director of the Institute for the Preservation of Medical Traditions, has been active in the history of science and pharmacy for more than three decades. He is a previous recipient of the AIHP's Edward Kremers Award. AIHP awards the George Urdang Medal biennially to recognize the lifetime achievements of a person who, over a sustained period, has made significant scholarly contributions to the field of the history of pharmacy and pharmaceuticals. The award honors Professor George Urdang (1882-1960), a pioneering historian of pharmacy in Germany and the United States, and AIHP's founding Director. The award will be formally presented at the 46th International Congress of the History of Pharmacy in Belgrade, Serbia, in September 2024.

The Institute awarded the 2023 AIHP Robert P. Fischelis Award to longtime AIHP member (and former leader) John Parascandola, PhD, for his extraordinary contributions to the Institute and the field of pharmacy history. The Robert P. Fischelis Award is conferred annually by AIHP's Board of Directors to recognize an individual or organization that has made significant contributions to both the field of the history of pharmacy and the Institute. The Board's selection is made from nominations received from Institute members. The award is given in honor of the late Robert P. Fischelis (1891-1981), a gifted leader in the pharmacy profession and a generous benefactor of the Institute.

In 2023, AIHP bestowed the Glenn Sonnedecker Prize on Wesley Sparkmon, an Assistant Professor at Creighton University, for his manuscript entitled “Rexall Rides the Rails: A Rolling Convention Becomes a PR Boon.” The manuscript will be published in AIHP’s *History of Pharmacy and Pharmaceuticals* journal.

AIHP also awarded Certificates of Commendation to four individuals and one organization for activities that either advanced the knowledge or understanding of the history of pharmacy or used the history of pharmacy to educate, inform, entertain, or to address or advance understanding of contemporary issues.

Research Support

In 2023, the Institute awarded one PhD Support Grant to Maggie Mang, a doctoral candidate in the Science and Technology Studies program at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. The grant will support Ms. Mang’s research for her dissertation titled “Between Farm and Pharma: Agricultural Experimental Labs and Histories of Animal Drugs.” Ms. Mang will use the grant to fund archival research at the National Archives and the National Agricultural Library in College Park, Maryland, and the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C. AIHP has awarded more than 65 Ph.D. research support grants since 1985. Information about the AIHP PhD Research Support Grant Program and past grant recipients is available on the Institute’s webpage.

Historical Collections

In 2023, AIHP devoted much time and attention to making our historical collections more accessible to members and researchers. The AIHP continued to work with the UW Digital Collections Center to make images and trade catalogs available for public use. The University of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy Archivist Hannah Swan continued work in three areas: processing, digitizing, and exhibiting. As part of this, Ms. Swan embarked on the task of reclassifying and rehousing materials in the jointly held UW/AIHP collections. We also expanded our collections staff by hiring Kristen Huset as a Digital Collections Assistant.

Publications

In 2023, the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy (AIHP) published two issues of its flagship journal, *History of Pharmacy and Pharmaceuticals*. Throughout the year, AIHP also released four quarterly issues of its e-newsletter, e-Scripts. All members received the annual AIHP historical calendar for 2024.

Programming

Throughout 2023, AIHP co-sponsored the annual Edward Kremers Seminar in the History of Pharmacy and Drugs, which featured a series of weekly lectures on topics related to AIHP's Historical Collections. The Institute also hosted "Artifacts Rodeos" at the UW-Madison School of Pharmacy, focusing on topics such as vaccines and psychoactive medicines. Furthermore, AIHP hosted special guest curator talks to provide context for physical exhibits and co-hosted a film screening of "Valley of the Dolls," which was part of an exhibit exploring gender and psychopharmacology. AIHP also supported and participated in the UW-Madison Psychedelic Symposium, held at the BioPharmaceutical Technology Center, by providing sponsorship and maintaining a booth.

Leadership Transitions

In 2023, AIHP underwent a leadership transition. In July, Professor Lucas Richert assumed the role of AIHP Executive Director following Dennis Birke's retirement. This decision by the AIHP Board of Directors signified a return to a previous leadership model, resulting in the discontinuation of the position of Historical Director.



At the 2023 Symposium on Psychedelics held in Madison, AIHP Executive Director Lucas Richert spoke on the topic "Psychedelic Humanities."



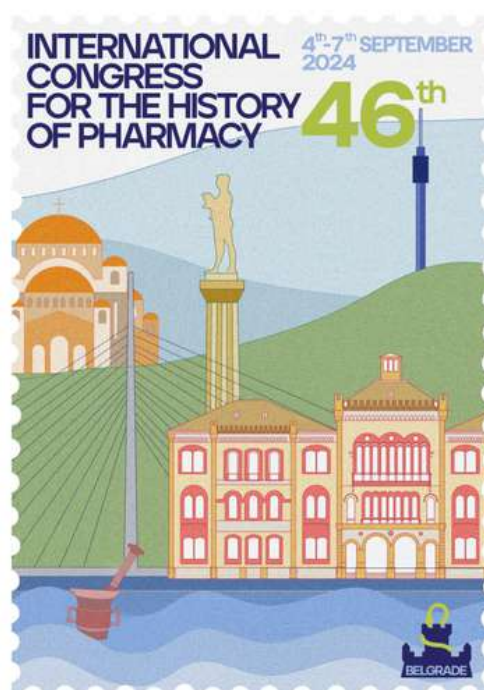
American Institute Curator Beth Fisher staffing a table of historical materials at the UW-Madison Psychedelics Symposium, November 2023.

46. INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

The 46. International Congress for the History of Pharmacy will be held from September 4 to 7, 2024, in Belgrade, Serbia. The congress's main theme is:

**Pharmaceutical Profession and Society:
Roots, Development, and Lessons for the Future**

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- The deadline for the abstract submission will be **May 30, 2024**.
- Congress will occur at the **Envoy Conference Center** at Gospodar Jevremova Street 47, in the heart of Belgrade's historic Dorcol district.
- The International Academy for the History of Pharmacy's ceremonial meeting will be held on **September 5, 2024**.

Full Registration for participants who are ISHP members:

Early registration (01.03.- 30. 04. 2024) 400 €

Regular registration (01.05 – 15.07.2024) 500 €

Late registration (after 16.07.2024.) 560 €

Students and researchers up to 28 years old – 200 € (Proof of status is required)

INCOMING EVENTS IN PHARMACEUTICAL HISTORY

- **March 23, 2024:** BSHP Annual Conference, Leeds, United Kingdom
- **April 12-14, 2024:** Scientific Conference and General Meeting, Lausanne, Switzerland
- **May 9-12, 2024:** Annual Meeting of the American Association of the History of Medicine, Kansas City, Missouri, USA
- **May 20, 2024:** Seance of the French Society for the History of Pharmacy, Paris, France
- **June 5-8, 2024:** 15. National Congress for the History of Turkish Medicine, Bilecik, Türkiye
- **July 7-11, 2024:** International Social Pharmacy Workshop, Banff, Canada
- **September 4-7, 2024:** 46. International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, Belgrade, Serbia
- **September 23, 2024:** Preliminary Symposium of the History of Pharmacy Section of the German Pharmaceutical Society, Münster, Germany
- **September 25, 2024:** Annual Meeting of the Society for the History of Science, Medicine, and Technology, Lüneburg, Germany
- **April 25-27, 2025:** Pharmacy History Biennale of the German Society for the History of Pharmacy, Lüneburg, Germany
- **June 29 - July 5, 2025:** 27th International Congress of History of Science and Technology, Dunedin, New Zealand

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<http://histpharm.org/recent-and-incoming/>



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