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A FEW WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT



Honoring the Past, Inspiring the Future

History does not remain in the past. It accompanies us, shaping the present and guiding the future. In the history of pharmacy, we discover more than the evolution of medicines and practices; we uncover the shared experiences, values, and aspirations of profession. The International Society for the History of Pharmacy serves as a meeting ground for these narratives, connecting scholars and institutions across borders and generations. As we approach the centenary of our Society in 2026, the year 2024 stand out as a time of renewed purpose, meaningful collaboration, and steady progress. It is with appreciation and optimism that I share with you the reflections and accomplishments of this remarkable year.

A highlight of the year was the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, held in Belgrade in September 2024. Thanks to the meticulous efforts of Professor Dušanka Krajnović and her dedicated team, the congress brought together scholars from around the world in a setting that combined academic excellence with cultural richness. One unforgettable moment was the open-air performance of Haydn's Lo Speziale in the garden of the University of Belgrade's Rectorate, an experience that beautifully bridged the history of pharmacy and the performing arts.

The General Assembly held during the congress marked an important step forward for ISHP. Three new working groups were formally established. The Working Group on Women in Pharmacy History, led by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vilma Gudienė, ISHP Vice President and a distinguished historian from Lithuania, aims to bring long-overdue recognition to the contributions of women pharmacists across the globe. The Working Group on Pharmacy Museums and Historical Collections, coordinated by Prof. Dr. Adriana Taerel, President of the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy, seeks to strengthen ties between museum collections and the academic community. Her recent multilingual publication on the Bucharest Faculty of Pharmacy Museum is a testament to her expertise and dedication. Lastly, the Working Group on Celebrating ISHP's Centenary in 2026, coordinated by former ISHP President Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstaedter, will preparations for this historic milestone with the support of past presidents and emerging scholars.

Among other significant developments at the General Assembly, we were also pleased to welcome a new member society: The Association for Pharmacy – Pharmacy Museum from Bosnia and Herzegovina. It is with great pleasure that I extend our warmest welcome to them as they join our international community.

The coming year will also be marked by meaningful anniversaries. The Italian Academy for the History of Pharmacy will celebrate its 75th anniversary in Vercelli, while France's Sauvegarde du Patrimoine Pharmaceutique will commemorate 30 years of dedication to the preservation of pharmaceutical heritage with a special event in Chartres. Meanwhile, the Jeunes SHP initiative led by our French colleagues continues to flourish. By supporting early-career scholars—many of whom made valuable contributions at the Belgrade congress—it stands as an exemplary model of intergenerational cooperation.

This past year also brought great sorrow. We mourn the passing of two esteemed colleagues.

Dr. John Parascandola (1941–2024), a leading figure in American pharmacy history, passed away on 30 November 2024. Over more than five decades, he generously shared his knowledge and mentorship, leaving an enduring mark on the field.

We also grieve the loss of Dr. Andreas Winkler (1959–2025), who passed away on 12 January 2025, just days before his 66th birthday. A native of Innsbruck and a descendant of a family with a 450-year pharmacy tradition, Andreas brought deep historical insight and unwavering dedication to our discipline. The 2026 centenary congress in Innsbruck will offer us the opportunity to honor his memory alongside that of ISHP's founders, including his great-grandfather.

Amid these losses, we also witnessed inspiring new initiatives. One of the most notable is **Pharmacy Stories** (*Farmasihistorier*), a multimedia oral history project from Norway led by Professor Anne Gerd Granås at the University of Oslo. Produced by Knut Werner Lindeberg Alsén and supported by the Norwegian Foundation for the Advancement of Community Pharmacy, the project features more than thirty in-depth interviews with senior pharmacists. Each story is presented with a full transcript, audio recording, and selected quotations, available both online and on Spotify. It offers a compelling view of pharmacy's evolution and a vivid link between past experience and present reflection.

Looking ahead, I am pleased to announce the launch of "Faces of Pharmacy History," an international awareness campaign in connection with the first official celebration of International Pharmacy History Day on 18 August 2025, commemorating the date of ISHP's founding in 1926.

This initiative invites national societies, universities, and museums to share portraits of notable figures in pharmacy history, along with short biographical notes and archival images. To ensure broad accessibility, messages may be shared in both local languages and English, using coordinated hashtags such as #FacesOfPharmacyHistory, #PharmacyHistory, and #August18ISHP. This collective campaign offers a unique opportunity to raise visibility, celebrate diversity, and inspire public interest in pharmacy's historical legacy.

Finally, I am encouraged by the growing interdisciplinary interest in pharmacy history, from museum studies and pharmacognosy to the medical humanities. These offer promising for intersections avenues future collaboration. I warmly invite our national societies to reach out to researchers, educators, and professionals in these related fields, and to welcome them into the ISHP community. Together, we can ensure that pharmacy history continues to thrive across academic and professional boundaries.

Let us carry forward the momentum of the past year with gratitude and resolve. And let us continue to build bridges between disciplines, generations, and countries so that the shadow time leaves behind is one of knowledge, remembrance, and inspiration.

With warm regards,

Prof. Dr. Halil TEKINERISHP President

QUELQUES MOTS DU PRÉSIDENT



Honorer le passé, inspirer l'avenir

L'histoire ne demeure pas dans le passé. Elle nous accompagne, façonne le présent et éclaire l'avenir. À travers l'histoire de la pharmacie, nous découvrons bien plus que l'évolution des médicaments et des pratiques: nous mettons au jour des expériences partagées, des valeurs communes et les aspirations d'une profession à vocation universelle. La Société Internationale d'Histoire de la Pharmacie constitue un carrefour de ces récits, reliant chercheurs et institutions audelà des frontières et des générations. À l'approche du centenaire de notre Société en 2026, l'année 2024 se distingue comme un moment de renouveau, de collaborations porteuses de sens et de progrès constants. C'est avec reconnaissance et optimisme que je vous présente les réflexions et les accomplissements de cette année remarquable.

Le temps fort de l'année fut sans nul doute le 46e Congrès international d'histoire de la pharmacie, organisé à Belgrade en septembre 2024. Grâce au travail rigoureux de la professeure Dušanka Krajnović et de son équipe dévouée, ce congrès a réuni des chercheurs du monde entier dans un cadre alliant excellence scientifique et richesse culturelle. Un moment inoubliable fut la représentation en plein air de « Lo Speziale » de Haydn, dans le jardin du rectorat de l'Université de Belgrade: une expérience mémorable qui a su créer un pont harmonieux entre l'histoire de la pharmacie et les arts du spectacle.

L'Assemblée générale tenue lors du congrès a marqué une avancée significative pour la SIHP. Trois nouveaux groupes de travail y ont été officiellement constitués. Le Groupe de travail sur les femmes dans l'histoire de la pharmacie, dirigé par la professeure associée Dr Vilma Gudienė, viceprésidente de la SIHP et historienne éminente de Lituanie, a pour objectif de rendre enfin justice aux contributions trop longtemps ignorées des femmes pharmaciennes à travers le monde. Le Groupe de travail sur les musées de pharmacie et les collections historiques, coordonné par la professeure Dr Adriana Taerel, présidente de la Société roumaine d'histoire de la pharmacie, entend renforcer les liens entre les collections muséales et la recherche académique. Sa récente publication multilingue sur le musée de la Faculté de pharmacie de Bucarest témoigne de sa compétence et de son engagement. Enfin, le Groupe de travail pour la célébration du centenaire de la SIHP en 2026, coordonné par l'ancien président Prof. Dr Axel Helmstaedter, préparera cet événement historique avec le concours des anciens présidents et de jeunes chercheurs prometteurs.

Parmi les autres décisions marquantes prises lors de l'Assemblée générale, nous avons eu le plaisir d'accueillir une nouvelle société membre: l'Association for Pharmacy – Pharmacy Museum de Bosnie-Herzégovine. C'est avec une grande joie que nous leur souhaitons la bienvenue au sein de notre communauté internationale.

à venir sera également marquée par des anniversaires significatifs. L'Académie italienne d'histoire de la pharmacie fêtera son 75e anniversaire à Verceil, tandis que la Sauvegarde du Patrimoine Pharmaceutique en France célébrera trente années de dévouement à la préservation du patrimoine pharmaceutique lors d'un événement spécial à Chartres. Par ailleurs, l'initiative Jeunes SHP, portée par nos collègues français, poursuit son essor. En soutenant les jeunes chercheurs - dont beaucoup ont apporté de précieuses contributions lors du congrès de Belgrade - elle constitue un modèle exemplaire de coopération intergénérationnelle.

Cette année fut aussi marquée par une profonde tristesse. Nous déplorons la perte de deux collègues éminents.

Le Dr John Parascandola (1941–2024), figure majeure de l'histoire de la pharmacie aux États-Unis, s'est éteint le 30 novembre 2024. Pendant plus de cinquante ans, il a généreusement transmis son savoir et accompagné de nombreux chercheurs, laissant une empreinte indélébile dans notre domaine.

Nous pleurons également le décès du Dr Andreas Winkler (1959–2025), survenu le 12 janvier 2025, quelques jours avant son 66e anniversaire. Originaire d'Innsbruck, issu d'une famille forte de 450 ans de tradition pharmaceutique, Andreas a apporté une profondeur historique remarquable et un engagement constant à notre discipline. Le congrès du centenaire de 2026 à Innsbruck sera l'occasion d'honorer sa mémoire, ainsi que celle des fondateurs de la SIHP, dont son arrière-grand-père.

Malgré ces pertes, de nouvelles initiatives porteuses d'avenir ont vu le jour. L'une des plus marquantes est Pharmacy Stories (Farmasihistorier), un projet multimédia norvégien d'histoire orale mené par la professeure Anne Gerd Granås de l'Université d'Oslo. Réalisé par Knut Werner Lindeberg Alsén et soutenu par la Fondation norvégienne pour l'avancement de la pharmacie communautaire, ce projet rassemble plus de trente entretiens approfondis avec des pharmaciens seniors. Chaque témoignage est présenté avec sa transcription complète, un enregistrement audio et des citations sélectionnées, disponibles en ligne ainsi que sur Spotify. Ce projet offre une perspective captivante sur l'évolution de la pharmacie et constitue un lien vivant entre mémoire et réflexion contemporaine.

En regardant vers l'avenir, j'ai le plaisir d'annoncer le lancement de l'initiative **Visages de l'histoire de la pharmacie**, une campagne internationale de sensibilisation qui accompagnera la première célébration officielle de la Journée internationale de l'histoire de la pharmacie, le 18 août 2025, date anniversaire de la fondation de la SIHP en 1926.

Cette initiative invite les sociétés nationales, universités et musées à partager les portraits de figures marquantes de l'histoire pharmaceutique, accompagnés de brèves notices biographiques et d'archives visuelles. Afin d'en garantir l'accessibilité, les publications pourront se faire en langue locale et en anglais, à l'aide de mots-clés coordonnés tels que #FacesOfPharmacyHistory, #PharmacyHistory et #August18ISHP. Cette campagne collective offre une occasion unique de valoriser notre discipline, de célébrer sa diversité et de susciter un intérêt renouvelé pour son patrimoine historique.

Enfin, je me réjouis de l'intérêt interdisciplinaire croissant que suscite l'histoire de la pharmacie, qu'il s'agisse de muséologie, de pharmacognosie ou d'humanités médicales. Ces domaines connexes ouvrent la voie à des collaborations prometteuses. J'encourage vivement nos sociétés nationales à établir des liens avec les chercheurs, enseignants et professionnels issus de ces champs voisins, et à les accueillir au sein de la communauté SIHP. Ensemble, nous pouvons garantir la vitalité continue de l'histoire de la pharmacie, au-delà des frontières académiques et professionnelles.

Poursuivons l'élan de l'année écoulée avec gratitude et détermination. Continuons de bâtir des ponts entre disciplines, générations et pays, afin que l'empreinte du temps soit celle du savoir, de la mémoire et de l'inspiration.

Avec mes salutations les plus chaleureuses,

Prof. Dr. Halil TEKINERPrésident de la SIHP

EINIGE WORTE DES PRÄSIDENTEN



Die Vergangenheit ehren - die Zukunft gestalten

Geschichte ist nicht bloß Vergangenheit. Sie begleitet uns, prägt die Gegenwart und weist den Weg in die Zukunft. In der Geschichte der Pharmazie erkennen wir mehr als nur die Entwicklung von Arzneimitteln und pharmazeutischen Praktiken - wir entdecken gemeinsame Erfahrungen, Werte und Ideale eines weltweiten Berufsstandes. Die Internationale Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie bietet einen Raum für diese Erzählungen und verbindet Forscherinnen und Forscher sowie Institutionen über Länderund Generationsgrenzen hinweg. Im Hinblick das hundertjährige Bestehen unserer Gesellschaft im Jahr 2026 war das Jahr 2024 geprägt von neuer Zielstrebigkeit, fruchtbarer Zusammenarbeit und stetigem Fortschritt. Mit Dankbarkeit Zuversicht blicke ich auf die Höhepunkte Errungenschaften dieses besonderen Jahres zurück.

Ein herausragendes Ereignis war der 46. Internationale Kongress für Geschichte der Pharmazie, der im September 2024 in Belgrad stattfand. Dank des großen Engagements von Professorin Dušanka Krajnović und ihrem engagierten Team brachte der Kongress Fachleute aus aller Welt zusammen – in einem Rahmen, der wissenschaftliche Exzellenz mit kultureller Vielfalt vereinte. Ein unvergesslicher Moment war die Open-Air-Aufführung von Haydns "Lo Speziale" im Garten des Rektoratsgebäudes der Universität Belgrad – ein Erlebnis, das Pharmaziegeschichte und darstellende Kunst auf eindrucksvolle Weise miteinander verband.

Die während des Kongresses abgehaltene Generalversammlung bedeutete einen wichtigen Schritt für die Weiterentwicklung der ISHP. Drei neue Arbeitsgruppen wurden offiziell gegründet:

Die Arbeitsgruppe zur Geschichte der Frauen in der Pharmazie, geleitet von Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vilma Gudienė, Vizepräsidentin der ISHP und renommierte Historikerin aus Litauen, widmet sich der längst überfälligen Anerkennung der Beiträge von Apothekerinnen weltweit. Die Arbeitsgruppe für Pharmazie-Museen und historische Sammlungen, koordiniert von Prof. Dr. Adriana Taerel, Präsidentin der Rumänischen Gesellschaft für Pharmaziegeschichte, zielt darauf ab, die Verbindung zwischen musealen Sammlungen und der akademischen Gemeinschaft zu stärken. Ihre jüngste mehrsprachige Publikation über das Museum der pharmazeutischen Fakultät in Bukarest belegt eindrucksvoll ihre Expertise und ihr Engagement. Die dritte Gruppe, die Arbeitsgruppe zur Vorbereitung des 100-jährigen Jubiläums der ISHP im Jahr 2026, wird unter der Leitung des ehemaligen ISHP-Präsidenten Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstaedter die Organisation dieses bedeutenden Ereignisses koordinieren mit Unterstützung ehemaliger Präsidenten und junger Wissenschaftlerinnen und Wissenschaftler.

Ein weiterer erfreulicher Schritt war die Aufnahme einer neuen Mitgliedsgesellschaft: die Vereinigung für Pharmazie – Apothekenmuseum aus Bosnien und Herzegowina. Ich heiße unsere neuen Kolleginnen und Kollegen in unserer internationalen Gemeinschaft herzlich willkommen.

Auch das kommende Jahr wird von wichtigen Jubiläen geprägt sein: Die Italienische Akademie für Pharmaziegeschichte feiert in Vercelli ihr 75-jähriges Bestehen, während die französische Initiative Sauvegarde du Patrimoine Pharmaceutique ihr 30jähriges Engagement für den Erhalt des pharmazeutischen Erbes mit einer besonderen Veranstaltung in Chartres würdigt. Die von unseren französischen Kolleginnen und Kollegen ins Leben gerufene Bewegung Jeunes SHP entwickelt sich weiterhin sehr positiv. Indem sie gezielt Nachwuchswissenschaftlerinnen und -wissenschaftler fördert viele von ihnen leisteten beim Kongress in Belgrad bemerkenswerte Beiträge - dient sie als vorbildliches Modell für den generationenübergreifenden Austausch.

Leider mussten wir im vergangenen Jahr schmerzliche Verluste hinnehmen. Wir trauern um zwei hochgeschätzte Kollegen: Dr. John Parascandola (1941herausragende Persönlichkeit 2024). eine amerikanischen Pharmaziegeschichte, verstarb am 30. November 2024. Über fünf Jahrzehnte hinweg teilte er großzügig sein Wissen und seine Erfahrung und hinterließ tiefe Spuren im Fachgebiet. Dr. Andreas Winkler (1959-2025) verstarb am 12. Januar 2025 - nur wenige Tage vor seinem 66. Geburtstag. Gebürtig aus Innsbruck und **Nachfahre** Familie einer mit 450-jähriger Apothekentradition, brachte Andreas tiefgreifende historische Kenntnisse und unerschütterliches in Disziplin Engagement unsere ein. Der Jubiläumskongress 2026 in Innsbruck wird eine würdige Gelegenheit bieten, seiner und der Gründungsmitglieder der ISHP – darunter sein Urgroßvater – zu gedenken.

Trotz dieser Verluste konnten wir auch inspirierende neue Initiativen erleben. Besonders hervorzuheben ist das norwegische Projekt **Pharmacy Stories** (Farmasihistorier) - eine multimediale Oral-History-Initiative unter der Leitung von Prof. Anne Gerd Granås von der Universität Oslo. Produziert von Knut Werner Lindeberg Alsén und unterstützt von der Norwegian Foundation for the Advancement of Community Pharmacy, umfasst das Projekt über dreißig ausführliche Interviews mit erfahrenen Apothekerinnen und Apothekern. Jedes Gespräch wird mit Transkript, Tonaufnahme ausgewählten Zitaten sowohl online als auch auf Spotify veröffentlicht ein eindrucksvolles Zeugnis Entwicklung des Berufs und eine lebendige Verbindung zwischen Vergangenheit und Gegenwart.

Mit Blick auf die Zukunft freue ich mich, die Einführung der internationalen Kampagne "Gesichter der Pharmaziegeschichte" ankündigen zu dürfen. Sie ist Teil der ersten offiziellen Feier des International Pharmacy History Day am 18. August 2025, dem Gründungsdatum der ISHP im Jahr 1926. Die Kampagne lädt nationale Gesellschaften, Universitäten und Museen ein, Porträts bedeutender Persönlichkeiten der Pharmaziegeschichte mit kurzen biografischen Angaben und Archivfotos zu teilen.

Um eine möglichst große Reichweite zu erzielen, können die Beiträge sowohl in der Landessprache als auch auf Englisch veröffentlicht werden, begleitet von Hashtags wie #FacesOfPharmacyHistory, #PharmacyHistory und #August18ISHP. Diese gemeinsame Initiative bietet eine hervorragende Gelegenheit, Sichtbarkeit zu schaffen, Vielfalt zu feiern und das öffentliche Interesse am historischen Erbe der Pharmazie zu fördern.

Erfreulich ist auch das wachsende interdisziplinäre Interesse an der Pharmaziegeschichte - etwa in der Museologie, Pharmakognosie und den Medical Humanities. Diese Schnittstellen eröffnen spannende Perspektiven für zukünftige Kooperationen. Ich lade unsere nationalen Gesellschaften herzlich ein, den Austausch mit Forschenden, Lehrenden und Fachleuten aus diesen Bereichen zu suchen und sie in die ISHP-Gemeinschaft einzubeziehen. Gemeinsam können wir sicherstellen, dass die Pharmaziegeschichte lebendig bleibt - über akademische und berufliche Grenzen hinweg.

Lassen Sie uns den Schwung des vergangenen Jahres mit Dankbarkeit und Entschlossenheit mitnehmen. Und lassen Sie uns weiterhin Brücken bauen – zwischen Disziplinen, Generationen und Ländern –, damit das, was die Zeit hinterlässt, ein Vermächtnis von Wissen, Erinnerung und Inspiration ist.

Mit herzlichen Grüßen,

Prof. Dr. Halil TEKINERISHP-Präsident

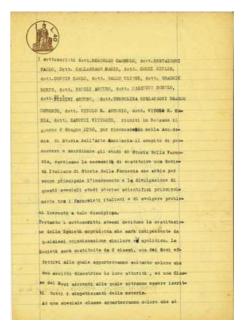
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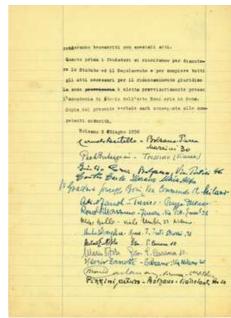
The Accademia Italiana di Storia della Farmacia (Italian Academy of the History of Pharmacy) was founded in Bolzano on June 2, 1950, through the initiative of Giulio Conci, its first president. He was supported by Carmelo Bertello, Mario Carlassare, Ulisse Gallo, Boris Gradnik, Romolo Mazzucco, and Antonio E. Vitolo, along with other prominent figures from the academic and professional pharmaceutical world, who deserve to be acknowledged: Paolo Bertazzoni, Carlo Contin, Arturo Fanoli, Arturo Pizzini, Umberto Tergolina Gislanzoni Brasco, Maria E. Vitolo, and Vittorio Zanotti.

The founding charter states: "There is a need to establish a society for the history of pharmacy whose primary purpose shall be to advance and disseminate these specialized historical and scientific studies among Italian pharmacists and to address issues related to the discipline."

From the beginning, great importance was placed on promoting the history of pharmacy as an academic subject and on fostering international collaboration with foreign societies.

The Academy's first national congress took place in Pisa in 1955, establishing a model that would be followed in subsequent years: scholarly presentations, communications, and awards to distinguished members. The following congresses—Turin (1956), Genoa (1957), Varese (1959), and Rome (1960)—were all accompanied by the publication of their proceedings.





Founding Charter of the Italian Academy of the History of Pharmacy, signed in Bolzano on June 2, 1950.

The Academy engaged in international activities from the outset, as demonstrated by its role in hosting the International Society for the History of Pharmacy congresses in Rome (1954) and Padua-Venice (1958).

In 1967, during its 12th congress in Turin, the Academy hosted the first official congress of the Union Mondiale des Sociétés d'Histoire Pharmaceutique (U.M.S.H.P.), co-founded in 1952 by Antonio E. Vitolo, who also served as its president. The congress was attended by G.E. Dann, then president of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy. A second edition of the congress was held in August 1969.

After the passing of Giulio Conci in 1962, Antonio E. Vitolo succeeded him and devoted himself to strengthening international relations. The Academy was later led by Cristoforo Masino, Antonio Corvi, Angelo Beccarelli, Giovanni Cipriani, and currently by Chiara Beatrice Vicentini.

The Academy's work is documented in its congress proceedings and special volumes published in 1974, 1977, 1981, and 1983. Thanks to the initiative and dedication of Cristoforo Masino, the first issue of the journal Atti e Memorie (Proceedings and Memoirs) was published in April 1984. The journal aimed to provide a platform for members' historical research, accessible to all scholars in the field. The publication has continued over the years and now, under the editorship of Ernesto Riva, also appears in a digital format.









Giulio Conci, Cristoforo Masino and Antonio E. Vitolo

Today, the Italian Academy of the History of Pharmacy continues to pursue its founding goals, including the preservation of Italy's rich historical and artistic pharmaceutical heritage. It also maintains and strengthens international ties, both through participation in and organization of events—such as the Florence Congress (October 20–23, 1999), inspired by Gastone Torricelli, and the Milan Congress (September 7–10, 2022), chaired by Angelo Beccarelli. The 75th anniversary of the founding of the Accademia Italiana di Storia della Farmacia will be celebrated during the History of Pharmacy Congress, to be held in Vercelli from May 16 to 18, 2025, with the participation of Halil Tekiner, President of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy.

Prof. Dr. Chiara Beatrice VICENTINIPresident of the Italian Academy of the History of Pharmacy

A NEW ISHP WORKING GROUP:

WOMEN IN THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

The International Society for the History of Pharmacy has recently established three dedicated working groups, one of which is the "Women in the History of Pharmacy" group. It is a great honor that ISHP President Halil Tekiner has entrusted the leadership of this group to me, with the following mission:

"This working group aims to highlight the remarkable contributions of women pharmacists across the globe, bringing long-overdue recognition to their achievements. Under her guidance, we look forward to innovative projects that will illuminate the vital roles women have played in shaping pharmacy history."

In line with these objectives, I have outlined a key project for 2025 that requires active support and participation from our colleagues and collaborators. Our goal is to compile concise, well-structured articles following a unified framework that will allow for comparative analysis across different countries. This initiative will help identify both unique national characteristics and common patterns in the history of women in pharmacy.

articles should explore the pioneering women pharmacists in each country, detailing their biographies, social backgrounds, religious affiliations, motivations for choosing pharmacy, education, and trends following their entry into the profession. A crucial aspect will be analyzing whether these first women pharmacists triggered a breakthrough, leading an increase in female to representation in the field and tracking the percentage growth of women in pharmacy over time.

Additionally, the project will examine women's access to pharmacy studies, their academic achievements, leadership in pharmacy administration, industry, and academia, as well as notable women pharmacists who have excelled in areas such as arts, business, and scientific research.

To make these articles widely accessible and interactive, we propose hosting them on a user-friendly platform such as Wikipedia. If technical difficulties arise in publishing content on Wikipedia, we will recruit three volunteers to assist in resolving these challenges.

The success of this initiative depends on securing enthusiastic contributors who believe in this project. I kindly ask for your support in identifying potential authors among ISHP members and in reaching out to historians and researchers from countries not yet affiliated with ISHP. By doing so, we not only expand our research network but also introduce ISHP to new regions, fostering international collaboration and strengthening our global community.

I look forward to working together on this important endeavor and appreciate your active participation in making this project a success.

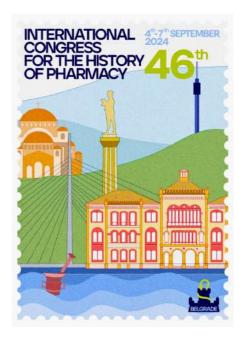
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vilma GUDIENĖ
ISHP Vice President

46TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

Where the Sava meets the Danube, at the crossroads of Eastern and Western Europe, the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy unfolded in the storied city of Belgrade, Serbia. From the 4th to the 7th of September 2024, this grand event attracted minds from across the globe, eager to weave together the past accomplishments and future aspirations of the pharmacy profession. Organized by the International Society for the History of Pharmacy in collaboration with the Section for the History of Pharmacy of the Pharmaceutical Association of Serbia and the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Belgrade, this year's theme, "Pharmaceutical Profession and Society: Roots, Development, and Lessons for the Future," not only honored the deep historical roots of the profession but also sparked conversations on its crucial role in advancing modern pharmaceutical practices.

The congress facilitated multilingual dialogue in English, French, and German, providing an inclusive platform that catered to the diverse linguistic backgrounds of its international attendees from 24 countries. The theme offered profound insights into the historical significance and progressive roles of pharmacies and pharmacists within society.

The scientific program was comprehensive, featuring 55 oral and 35 poster presentations. The Best Poster Awards were keenly contested, with Sean Alexis from France taking first place for his insightful work on "A Pharmaceutical Approach to Claude Monet's Health: Current Care Strategies," Takakiwa Manami from Japan receiving second place for "Keizo Tamba: A Pioneer of Modern Japanese Pharmacy," and Aleksandar Jovanović from Serbia capturing third place for his systematic review on "Traditional Use of Medicinal Plants for Urinary Tract Infections in Serbia."





The opening ceremony of the Congress was held at the Conference Hall of the Belgrade University Rectorate.

At the opening ceremony of the congress, the first plenary lecture was given by Prof. Dr. Dušanka Krajnović, chair of the Organizing Committee, on "The Development of Pharmacy Profession in Serbia: Traditional Role Identities." The other plenary sessions underscored the congress's academic rigor, with notable presentations from Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstaedter discussing "From Morphinism to the Opioid Crisis: Iatrogenic Addiction in the 19th and 20th Centuries," and Prof. Dr. Greg Higby elucidating "History in Pharmacy Curriculum: Experiences from Different Nations and Lessons to Be Learned." Prof. Dr. Adriana-Elena Tåerel presented "The Evolution of Pharmaceutical Roles: From Traditional Apothecaries to Modern Pharmacists," offering a comprehensive view of the transformative dynamics within the field. Dr. Agnès Artiges celebrated the 60th anniversary of the European Pharmacopoeia with her compelling talk on "The European Pharmacopoeia: A Bastion for Public Health," while Dr. Christiane Staiger delved into "How Pharmacy is Reflected in Popular Music," sharing insights from a unique pharmaceutical playlist.

A special panel discussion on the current and future state of pharmacy history as an academic discipline emphasized the educational value of integrating pharmacy history into curricula, highlighting its role in enhancing professionalism, leadership skills, and a greater appreciation for diversity and change.

On September 5th, the International Academy for the History of Pharmacy hosted its traditional lunch in the quaint Skadarlija district, providing a delightful opportunity for members to engage informally amidst the district's vintage charm.

The ceremonial meeting took place later in the evening, where new members such as Dr. Paloma Ruiz Vega from Spain, Dr. Ursula Lang from Germany, and Dr. Patrick Chiu from Hong Kong were inducted. Prof. Olivier Lafont's lecture on the iconic pharmacy jars, symbolizing the identity of apothecaries and pharmacists, was a significant highlight of the academy's session. International pharmacy history awards were presented, including the Urdang Medal to Prof. Dr. Alain Touwaide, the Schelenz Medal to Prof. Dr. Stuart Anderson, and the Parmentier Medal to Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich.





Cultural events enriched the congress, with the opening ceremony held in the opulent hall of the Rectorate, extending into its inner garden. This setting provided a memorable backdrop for a performance of Joseph Haydn's "Lo Speziale" ("The Apothecary"), celebrated for its depiction of pharmacy in the operatic genre. An exhibition on pharmacy history, curated by Jelena Manojlović, was opened in a gallery in the old city center, offering a fascinating glimpse into the Serbian pharmaceutical heritage. Participants also had the opportunity to immerse themselves in Serbian culture, literature, and music through visits to notable sites including the house of Nobel Prize-winning author Ivo Andrić, the Museum of Ethnography, the Zepter Museum of Modern Arts, and notably, the Pharmacy Museum at the Belgrade University Faculty of Pharmacy.

The gala dinner at Beli Dvor (White Palace) included a brief address by the former Crown Princess Katherine Karađorđević, renowned for her humanitarian efforts alongside her husband, the former Crown Prince Alexander of Yugoslavia. The evening was brought to life with a lively performance by the Vasil Hadžimanov Jazz Band, one of Serbia's most acclaimed musical groups.

During the General Assembly, the re-election of the current executive committee was confirmed, with their term extended until 2027. Decisions were made to establish new working groups focusing on pharmacy museums and historical collections, as well as on women and equity in the history of pharmacy. These initiatives pave the way for future collaborative efforts. Additionally, August 18, commemorating the founding of the ISHP in 1926, was officially designated as International Pharmacy History Day. This day will be celebrated annually starting in 2025, marking the beginning of a Pharmacy History Season that will culminate on September 25, World Pharmacists Day.

As anticipation builds for the 47th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, the centennial congress in Innsbruck, Austria in 2026, with the theme "Drugs and Medicines of the Mountains," we reflect on the enriching experiences in Belgrade, deeply appreciative of Prof. Dr. Dušanka Krajnović and her team for their exceptional organization. This congress not only underscored the historical depth and scientific rigor of the pharmacy profession but also set a high benchmark for future meetings. The ISHP is beginning a new term fully refreshed, motivated, and energized, ready to usher in a new era in the history of pharmacy.

On behalf of the ISHP, we extend our heartfelt appreciation to all participants and organizers for contributing to the success of this memorable event, paving the way for exciting future endeavors in the field of pharmacy history.

Prof. Dr. Halil TEKİNER

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BELGRADE, 2024

Saturday, September 7, 2024, 10:30-12:00

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

Number of Participants: 47

1. Welcome address

The President welcomed the members of the General Assembly and proposed the agenda.

2. Approval of the agenda

The General Assembly unanimously approved the agenda.

3. Reports

The President, Treasurer, Auditors, Internet Commissioner, Newsletter Editor, and Social Media Commissioner presented their reports, summarized below.

3.1. Report of the President: Prof. Halil Tekiner informed the committee about ISHP's plans to expand its global network over the next decade. Bosnia and Herzegovina was officially welcomed as a new ISHP member. Significant progress was reported regarding *Pharmaceutical Historian*, an international journal for the history of pharmacy jointly published by ISHP and the British Society for the History of Pharmacy (BSHP). Between 2022 and 2024, the journal published 61 papers from 14 countries, with major contributions from the UK. The journal is open access, and its digitized archive is hosted by Braunschweig Technical University.

Within the European Federation of Pharmaceutical Sciences (EUFEPS), the Networking Group for the History of Pharmacy, established in 2019, actively participated in EUFEPS conferences held in Germany, Sweden, the Netherlands, Portugal, Hungary, and Austria. Group members include Axel Helmstädter (Germany), Christa Kletter (Austria), Halil Tekiner (Türkiye), Szabolcs Dobson (Hungary), Stefan Wulle (Germany), François Ledermann (Switzerland), and Sabine Bernschneider-Reif (Germany). The group plans to organize a pre-symposium session focusing on the historical and contemporary status of pharmacy in host countries.

Several suggestions for future ISHP projects were presented. New working groups will focus on pharmacy museums, teaching strategies, women in pharmacy, equity, and centennial preparations. These initiatives aim to strengthen international collaboration, enhance educational innovation, and promote diversity and inclusivity.

On behalf of ISHP, Prof. Tekiner attended various international meetings and scientific symposia in Italy, France, China, and other locations, both in person and online. He emphasized ISHP's ongoing efforts to engage countries without existing member societies.

- **3.2. Report of the Treasurer:** Dr. Kathrin Bosse-Bringewatt submitted a detailed report on ISHP's financial situation and future financial planning for 2025–2026. Updating contact information for member societies was suggested to ensure timely communication regarding membership fees.
- **3.3. Report of the Auditors:** Dr. Ursula Hirter-Trüb (Switzerland) and Dr. Andreas Winkler (Austria) audited the Treasurer's records and expressed full satisfaction with the bookkeeping. Dr. Hirter-Trüb presented the report.
- **3.4. Report of the Internet Commissioner:** Dr. Stefan Wulle reported ongoing growth in the oral presentations database and digitization efforts for the Pharmaceutical Historian and other content hosted on the ISHP website (http://histpharm.org/pharmaceutical-historian/). As of August 2024, the database includes 4,062 entries, with Germany, the UK, the USA, Türkiye, France, Switzerland, Poland, Hungary, and Austria as the most active contributors. Approximately 250 talks are recorded annually. An essential update to PHP version 8.3 was required due to outdated database software. Dr. Wulle invited members to share information on congresses, presentations, and relevant websites and can be contacted at info@histpharm.org.
- **3.5. Report of the Newsletter Editor:** On behalf of ISHP Newsletter Editor Prof. Greg Higby, Prof. Halil Tekiner presented the report and requested committee members submit national reports by the end of the year. The newsletter, published regularly and available online under the Publications section of the Society's website (histpharm.org), has significantly grown in contributions and total page count.
- **3.6. Report of the Social Media Commissioner:** Dr. Nina Thune reported that the ISHP Facebook page, launched in September 2017, reached more than 1,547 followers by August 2024. The Instagram account, featuring photos from congresses and events, has 110 followers. Occasional spam issues in the Facebook group were effectively managed by removing offending posts and banning users.

4. Approval of the Reports

The reports were unanimously approved.

5. Admission of Retirement of Select Executive Committee Members for 2022

The General Assembly formally acknowledged the retirement of the following Select Executive Committee members from 2022:

- President: Axel Helmstädter (Germany)
- Vice Presidents: Bruno Bonnemain (France), Halil Tekiner (Türkiye), Vilma Gudienė (Lithuania)
- Treasurer: Kathrin Bosse-Bringewatt (Germany)
- Secretary General: Dušanka Krajnović (Serbia)
- Members: Greg Higby (USA), Szabolcs Dobson (Hungary)

6. Confirmation of Select Executive Committee Elections (2025–2026)

General Assembly unanimously confirmed the elections conducted by the Extended Executive Committee for the 2025–2026 Select Executive Committee:

- President: Halil Tekiner (Türkiye)
- Vice Presidents: Bruno Bonnemain (France), Vilma Gudienė (Lithuania), and Greg Higby (USA)
- Secretary General: Dušanka Krajnović (Serbia)
- Treasurer: Kathrin Bosse-Bringewatt (Germany)
- Assessors: Chiara Beatrice Vicentini (Italy), Adriana-Elena Tăerel (Romania)

7. Election of Auditors (2025-2026)

The General Assembly unanimously elected Dr. Ursula Hirter-Trüb (Switzerland) and Dr. Andreas Winkler (Austria) as auditors for 2025–2026.

8. Report of the General Secretary:

8.1. ISHP Research Grant 2023/2024 and Committee Election

The ISHP Research Fellowship for 2023 was awarded to Dr. Kayoko Shimada-Takaura (Japan) for her project "Exploration of Suites of Crude Drug Specimens Collected in the Early 20th Century Reflecting Region-Specific Medicinal Cultures." Recipients must provide interim reports each December and a final comprehensive report, including resulting publications.

Dr. Shimada-Takaura presented her work so far on the project "Exploration of Suites of Crude Drug Specimens Collected in the Early 20th Century Reflecting Region-Specific Medicinal Cultures."

The 2021–2022 ISHP Research Fellowship Committee members were Prof. Olivier Lafont, Prof. Stuart Anderson, Prof. Anita Magowska, Prof. Halil Tekiner, and Prof. Dušanka Krajnović.

The General Assembly decided to continue supporting research projects and to better promote the fellowship internationally. Proposals for the 2026–2027 grant must be submitted by August 31, 2026.

Proposed committee members for the 2026–2027 fellowship include Olivier Lafont (France), Stuart Anderson (Great Britain), Anita Magowska (Poland), Halil Tekiner (Türkiye, President), and Dušanka Krajnović (Serbia, General Secretary). This committee will also explore new promotional strategies.

Details: http://histpharm.org/ishp-research-fellowship.

9. 100th Anniversary of ISHP (2026)

The ISHP Congress in Innsbruck, Austria, in 2026 will mark the society's centenary. Dr. Winkler provided an introductory presentation about Innsbruck.

10. Congresses for 2026 and Beyond

Official applications for congresses after 2026 are welcome until December 1, 2024. Lithuania and France expressed interest in hosting the 2028 congress.

11. Proposal for International Day for the History of Pharmacy

Prof. Halil Tekiner's proposal to designate August 18 (ISHP founding date, 1926) as the International Day for the History of Pharmacy was approved with 31 votes in favor, 13 against, and 3 abstentions.

12. Any Other Business

The General Secretary thanked members for their contributions and data accuracy, encouraging collaboration and joint activities between pharmacists and historians. The importance of exchanging good practices within the ISHP network was emphasized. The meeting adjourned at 12:00.

Prof. Dr. Halil TEKİNER ISHP President

Prof. Dr. Dušanka KRAJNOVIĆISHP General Secretary

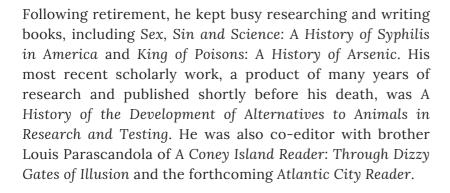
December 20, 2024



OBITUARY: JOHN PARASCANDOLA (1941-2024)

John Louis Parascandola passed away at home November 30 at the age of 83. Those who knew John know he was a social person. He treasured his many friends and colleagues, with whom he kept in touch over decades. Never at a loss for words, his voice carried far.

John grew up in Brooklyn and, as the first person in his family to attend university, he received his Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry from Brooklyn College. He was a longtime devoted fan of the Mets and, more recently, the New York Liberty women's basketball team. He went on to complete his PhD in 1968 at the University of Wisconsin – Madison, where he stayed on to teach for 12 years and raise a family. Subsequently, John served in the federal government as Chief of the History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine and as historian for the Public Health Service. He received many awards for his scholarly work in the history of medicine and public health.



In recent years John continued to teach classes on topics such as Mummies and Mad Doctors in Film and Literature, reflecting his interests in quirky topics and old horror movies.

John is survived by sons Mark and Adam Parascandola, brother Louis J. Parascandola, daughters-in-law Christina Parascandola and Stephanie Prete, and sister-in-law Shondel Nero. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Randee Chafkin.

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Dr. John Parascandola

OBITUARY: ANDREAS WINKLER (1959-2025)

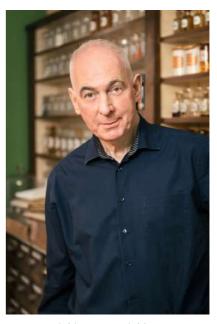
Andreas Winkler passed away unexpectedly on January 12, 2025, just a few days before his 66th birthday. He was born into a family of apothecaries in Innsbruck, Tyrol, whose pharmacy tradition dates back nearly 450 years. Winkler began his professional career studying pharmacy at the University of Innsbruck but, following his primary interests, switched to studying history before completing his pharmacy degree. He graduated with a Mag. phil. degree in 1993 and earned his doctoral degree in 2000 with a dissertation titled Aspects of Civic Life between 1750 and 1850 Exemplified by an Apothecary's Family in Innsbruck.

Besides his daily responsibilities at the family pharmacy, Winkler's true passion was the history of pharmacy. He actively contributed to various exhibitions and founded the Museum of the History of Pharmacy in 2004, located within the family's pharmacy premises in Innsbruck. The museum's collection showcases a rich assortment of historical pharmaceutical equipment, artifacts, medicinal preparations, and rare books collected over centuries by his family.

Winkler had been a member of the International Academy for the History of Pharmacy since 2009. From 2018 onward, he served as President of the Austrian Society for the History of Pharmacy and lectured on pharmacy history at the University of Innsbruck. His latest work focused on preparations for the forthcoming International Congress for the History of Pharmacy scheduled for 2026 in Innsbruck, commemorating the centenary of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy. It was Andreas Winkler's ancestor, Ludwig Winkler, who had initiated the founding of ISHP in 1926 in Hall, Tyrol, Austria.

We have lost a cherished and collaborative colleague whose presence in the field of pharmacy history will be deeply missed.

Dr. Christa KLETTER (on behalf of all Austrian colleagues)



Mag. phil. Dr. phil. Andreas Winkler

NATIONAL NEWS FOR INTERNATIONAL USE

AUSTRIA – ÖSTERREICHISCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR GESCHICHTE DER PHARMAZIE

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The Austrian Society for the History of Pharmacy reflects on an eventful year. We were delighted to participate in the International Congress for the History of Pharmacy held in Belgrade last year.

During this congress, we had the honour of announcing the upcoming International Congress for the History of Pharmacy 2026, organized by our society and scheduled to take place in Innsbruck from September 2 to 5, 2026. A distinctive feature of this event is its designation as a Green Event, emphasizing our commitment to sustainability and environmentally responsible scientific exchange. We eagerly anticipate this significant occasion.

At the beginning of this year, we experienced a profound loss. Our president, Dr. Andreas Winkler, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly. His unwavering dedication to the history of pharmacy and invaluable contributions to our society will be fondly remembered. An obituary honouring Dr. Winkler has been contributed by Prof. Christa Kletter.

In the interim, Dr. Heinrich Evanzin has assumed the presidency of the Austrian Society for the History of Pharmacy and will continue leading the preparations for the 2026 congress.

The upcoming International Congress for the History of Pharmacy 2026 in Innsbruck holds special significance. It not only commemorates the 100th anniversary of the founding of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy but also serves as a memorial event dedicated to at least two distinguished figures from the Winkler family. Online registration will open this summer.

This year, we have already made two notable Austrian contributions to the EUFEPS Pre-Symposium held in Vienna, underscoring our ongoing commitment to international scholarly collaboration.

We look forward to a productive and successful 2025 and warmly invite you all to join us in Innsbruck in 2026.

BELARUS – BELARUS CLUB OF THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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Cooperation between the Club of History of Pharmacy and medical educational institutions continued successfully.

The Chair of the Club supervised thesis and coursework projects on the history of pharmacy in Belarus undertaken by two students from the Faculty of Pharmacy at Belarusian State Medical University. Additionally, the Chair presented at several scientific and practical conferences. For instance, on April 19, during the 20th International Book Readings at the National Library of Belarus, a report titled "From the History of the Book 'Medical Evidence' (1785)" was delivered, commemorating the 280th anniversary of N. M. Ambodice, a prominent figure in the establishment of the Russian scientific schools of pharmacognosy and botany.





On September 10, celebrating the Day of Minsk, the Club's Chair presented a lecture at the medical university's dialogue forum, focusing on the organization of medical care for Minsk's civilian population during the 19th century.

Club members also participated in organizing the Republican Scientific-Practical Conference titled "Historical Stages of Development and Modern Directions in Pharmacy," held on September 19 at Pharmacy No. 87 of Vitebsk ROP "Pharmacy." This pharmacy building is recognized as an architectural monument dating back to the late 18th century. Since 1917, the pharmacy has hosted a historical exposition spanning 90 square meters and an apothecary garden covering 0.5 hectares, where approximately 60 varieties of medicinal plants are cultivated annually under the guidance of Managing Director and Club member Zanna Logvinovic. Conference attendees visited this historical exhibition.









In November, a creative group of pharmacists developed a script titled "The Work of Minsk Pharmacy in the 1970s–1980s," subsequently produced as a 12-minute documentary by CJSC "Capital TV." The video, requested frequently by Minsk residents, aired multiple times on local television.

In December, the exhibition "My Belarus" opened at the International Exhibition Center in Minsk. Among various exhibits was a Pharmacy History Office at Pharmacy No. 88 of RUP "BELFARMACIA," showcasing historical artifacts accessible through VR technology and video.

In 2024, Club members delivered 18 presentations at scientific and practical conferences, including international events in St. Petersburg, Moscow, Perm, and Volgograd, subsequently published in respective conference proceedings; They published eight articles addressing significant pharmaceutical anniversaries and events in central and regional media; Continued career guidance activities in schools and gymnasiums across Belarus. In 2025, the Chair of the Club will develop and submit an original guided tour titled "Historical and Cultural Pharmaceutical Heritage of Minsk" to the National Agency for Tourism. The President of the Association will present the results of this project. The tour includes a walking exploration of historic Minsk and a visit to the Pharmacy History Office at Pharmacy No. 88.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA – ASSOCIATION FOR PHARMACY "PHARMACY MUSEUM" SARAJEVO

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The year 2024 marked a significant milestone for the Association for Pharmacy "Pharmacy Museum" in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. We proudly became a member of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy as the first organization in the country dedicated to preserving, systematically researching, and presenting the history of pharmacy in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

This year also celebrated the first anniversary of our museum exhibition and the recognition of our institution as part of the Council of Europe's Cultural Route "Historic Pharmacies and Medicinal Gardens."

As part of our 2024 activities, we organized a scientific conference that provided a comprehensive overview of existing research in the field of pharmacy history. During this event, a working group was formed to guide future scholarly endeavors. One of the key outcomes of this conference was the publication of a monograph titled A Brief History of Pharmacy in Bosnia and Herzegovina.



The old apothecary furniture in the central Museum room

Looking ahead to 2025, we plan to continue promoting visits to the Museum's permanent exhibition, organizing scientific conferences, and hosting educational workshops that promote pharmacy and its applications. These include hands-on activities such as preparing natural cosmetics and creating herbal tea blends using traditional Bosnian medicinal plants and folk remedies.

For our youngest visitors, we offer interactive tours and educational sessions focused on the safe use of medicines, as well as the relationship between the natural sciences, pharmacy, and healing.

In 2024, we curated two thematic exhibitions. The first, titled "Pharmacy on Film," was held during the Sarajevo Film Festival—one of the region's most prominent cultural events—and explored the representation of pharmacy in cinema. The second exhibition, organized for Drug Safety Awareness Week, focused on the thalidomide crisis and its long-term impact on pharmaceutical regulation and drug safety systems.





Photos from the exhibition "Pharmacy in Movies" and the workshops

In 2025, two major scientific conferences are scheduled: The first will accompany the launch of our forthcoming monograph, *Pharmacy in the War* 1992–1995, highlighting the crucial role of pharmacists during the war in Bosnia and Herzegovina and emphasizing the importance of pharmacy in times of crisis—an issue that remains deeply relevant today. The second conference will focus on the traditional healing manuscripts known as Ljekaruše, which are unique to Bosnia and Herzegovina and reflect the diverse religious and cultural traditions of the region.

Two thematic exhibitions are also planned for 2025: One will explore the development of insulin and foams in Bosnia and Herzegovina, commemorating World Diabetes Day. The second will highlight the use of traditional medicinal plants in local healing practices. We also plan to promote medicinal plants through guided field trips into the mountains, during which participants will learn to identify, collect, and document medicinal flora to create pharmacognostic maps. Finally, we are initiating the digitalization of select artifacts and developing a virtual reality (VR) experience to enhance accessibility. We also intend to expand our library holdings to support ongoing research and education.

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

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In 2024, members of the Section of the History of Pharmacy actively participated in the ISHP Congress held in Belgrade, Serbia. As a result, our annual Symposium on the History of Pharmacy was postponed to 2025.

Although organized independently from the Section, the Czech Pharmaceutical Museum, with which we maintain close personal and professional ties, continued its digitization efforts in 2024. Notably, four journals related to the socialist-era regional pharmacy administration were digitized and are now accessible via the Kramerius Digital Library. However, due to legal constraints, access is restricted to libraries affiliated with Charles University.

The museum has also been contributing samples of historical medicinal products for ongoing international research on their composition and long-term stability. This research, led in Czechia by Prof. Karel Nesměrák, resulted in two publications in 2024 (listed below), in addition to several others published in previous years.

The 70th Symposium on the History of Pharmacy will be held in Kuks on May 24, 2025. For more information and updates from our Society and Section, please visit our website: 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 held their annual "Pharmacy History Day" on 7 October 2024 at the Danish Collection of the History of Pharmacy at Pharmakon a/s in Hillerød.

The programme included the Society's annual general meeting and a lecture by PhD, DSc (Pharm) Poul R. Kruse, titled "Christian V's medicinalordning af 1672 – dansk farmacis grundlov" (Christian V's Medical Ordinance of 1672 – The Constitution of Danish Pharmacy).

In 2025, the pharmaceutical historical publication Theriaca, Volume 48, will be published by the Danish Society for the History of Pharmacy, Hillerød.







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 Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (SHP) experienced another dynamic year in 2024, continuing the level of engagement seen in previous years. The Society organized five sessions, including a delocalized meeting in Lausanne on April 14, 2024, in collaboration with the Swiss Society for the History of Pharmacy. This session focused on the theme "Pharmacy and Sport" and contributed to strengthening international academic ties.

SHP also constituted the largest national delegation at the International Congress for the History of Pharmacy held in Belgrade, where it supported several young researchers working in the field.

Two plenary lectures were delivered by its members: A. Artiges spoke on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the European Pharmacopoeia, and Professor O. Lafont presented a lecture on the history of pharmaceutical jars, tracing their development from their origins to the early 19th century. Additionally, B. Bonnemain presided over the evening event organized by the International Academy of the History of Pharmacy.



The French delegation at the International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, held in Belgrade in September 2024.

The Society's outreach and communication efforts remained strong across several platforms. The Revue d'Histoire de la Pharmacie, the official website (www.shp-asso.org), the Facebook group "Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie," and the LinkedIn page—which now counts 634 subscribers—have all contributed to increasing SHP's public visibility. The website continues to host monthly virtual exhibitions and has maintained this tradition for over eleven years. At present, the 187th exhibition is being featured, focusing on new remedies introduced in 1893. Furthermore, the website archives and offers open access to video recordings of past lectures.



Regarding the Revue d'Histoire de la Pharmacie, digital access remains available through the Persée database up to the year 2019, while only abstracts are accessible for issues published thereafter. In 2023, the Revue published a total of 616 pages. Among the noteworthy issues, a special edition was dedicated to the history of pharmaceutical earthenware, curated by Professor Olivier Lafont.

The SHP Prize for 2024 was awarded to François-Xavier Toublet of Université Paris-Cité for his work titled "Léopold FARCE, itinéraire d'un pharmacien de deuxième classe à la fin du XIXe siècle." In collaboration with the Faculty of Pharmacy of Paris, SHP organized an exhibition on pharmaceutical advertising, entitled "Famous 20th-Century Illustrators in the Service of Pharmaceutical Advertising: Chéret, Poulbot, Dubout, Faizant and Others." This exhibition was held from February 26 to March 8, 2024, with the participation of the Ordre des Pharmaciens, and attracted nearly 200 visitors. The exhibition on Aspirin was also reprised at the Faculty of Pharmacy in Poitiers from April 2 to 12, 2024, and drew close to 300 visitors.

SHP also supported the exhibition "Serbian Scientists, French Students," organized by N. Djordjevic in cooperation with J. Manojlovic and D. Djukic-Cosic. The exhibition explored the lives and careers of two notable Serbian scientists, Jovan Tukacov (1905–1978) and Momčilo St. Mokranjac (1899–1967), both of whom studied in France and later became corresponding members of the French Académie nationale de pharmacie. They were also recipients of the Lavoisier Medal. During this period, several SHP members were actively involved in teaching the history of pharmacy in various institutions across France.

In 2025, the SHP will maintain its strong commitment to promoting the history of pharmacy. This will also mark the ninth academic year of the Diplôme Universitaire d'Histoire de la Pharmacie at the University of Paris, with ongoing involvement of SHP members. Teaching activities will include lectures, case studies, and visits to relevant historical sites. Members of the Society will also contribute to pharmacy history education in Paris, Lyon, and Lille, as well as to a public course in Paris intended for non-specialist audiences.

Two new exhibitions are planned for 2025. The first, entitled "Histoire, Pharmacie et Pédiatrie: Du biberon au médicament..." ("History, Pharmacy, and Pediatrics: From Baby Bottle to Medicine..."), will be held from February 3 to 14. The second exhibition, scheduled for September, will explore the topic of portable pharmacies and associated documents.





Exhibition posters from two pharmacy history events in 2025.

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La Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (SHP) a connu une année 2024 aussi active que les précédentes. Nous avons pu nous réunir à un rythme soutenu, avec cinq séances, dont une séance délocalisée à Lausanne le 14 avril 2024, organisée avec la Société suisse d'histoire de la pharmacie, sur le thème de la pharmacie et du sport. Notre société a également constitué la plus importante délégation au Congrès international d'histoire de la pharmacie à Belgrade et a soutenu plusieurs jeunes chercheurs dans notre domaine. Nos membres ont présenté deux conférences plénières : l'une sur les 60 ans de la Pharmacopée européenne, par A. Artiges, et l'autre sur l'histoire des pots de pharmacie, des origines au début du XIXe siècle, par le Professeur O. Lafont. Enfin, B. Bonnemain a présidé la soirée de l'Académie internationale d'Histoire de la Pharmacie.

Les divers 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 » et LinkedIn (634 abonnés) – ont tous été dynamiques et ont fortement accru la visibilité de notre société. Depuis plus de 11 ans, notre site publie chaque mois une exposition temporaire (la 187e est actuellement en ligne), la dernière portant sur les nouveaux remèdes en 1893. Il permet également de visionner ou de revoir toutes les conférences archivées.



Séance délocalisée à Lausanne, le 14 avril 2024, organisée avec la Société suisse d'histoire de la pharmacie sur le thème « Pharmacie et sport ».

En ce qui concerne la Revue, elle reste accessible en ligne sur la base de données Persée, jusqu'à l'année 2019 (seuls les sommaires sont consultables après cette date). En 2023, la Revue a publié un volume total de 616 pages. Un numéro spécial a été consacré à l'histoire des faïences pharmaceutiques, présenté par le Professeur Olivier Lafont.

Comme chaque année, la SHP, en partenariat avec la famille Maurice Bouvet-Henri Bonnemain, a doté un prix remis par l'Académie nationale de pharmacie, décerné en 2024 à François-Xavier Toublet, de l'Université Paris-Cité, pour son travail intitulé « Léopold FARCE, itinéraire d'un pharmacien de deuxième classe à la fin du XIX^e siècle ».

La SHP, en collaboration avec la Faculté de Pharmacie de Paris, a également organisé une exposition dans les locaux de cette faculté : « Les illustrateurs célèbres du XXº siècle au service de la publicité pharmaceutique : Chéret, Poulbot, Dubout, Faizant et les autres », présentée du 26 février au 8 mars 2024, avec la participation de l'Ordre des Pharmaciens. Près de 200 visiteurs ont découvert cette exposition. L'exposition « Aspirine » a quant à elle été à nouveau présentée, du 2 au 12 avril 2024, à la Faculté de Pharmacie de Poitiers, où elle a accueilli près de 300 visiteurs.

Enfin, la SHP a soutenu l'exposition « Scientifiques serbes, étudiants français », organisée par l'un de nos membres, N. Djordjevic, avec la participation de J. Manojlovic et D. Djukic-Cosic. Cette exposition était consacrée à deux éminents savants serbes, Jovan Tukacov (1905–1978) et Momčilo St. Mokranjac (1899–1967), tous deux anciens étudiants en France, devenus par la suite membres correspondants de l'Académie nationale de pharmacie et récipiendaires de la médaille Lavoisier de cette institution. Plusieurs membres de la SHP ont également participé à des enseignements en histoire de la pharmacie dispensés en France au cours de l'année.

En 2025, nous poursuivrons activement la promotion de l'histoire de la pharmacie. Ce sera également la neuvième année du Diplôme universitaire d'histoire de la pharmacie à l'Université de Paris, avec la participation très active de membres de la SHP. Des visites et des études de cas sont prévues. Comme chaque année, l'enseignement sera assuré par des membres de la société. Nous continuerons aussi à intervenir dans les cursus des étudiants en pharmacie à Paris, Lyon et Lille, ainsi que dans un cours destiné au grand public à Paris.

Deux nouvelles expositions seront réalisées en 2025. La première, intitulée « Histoire, Pharmacie et pédiatrie : Du biberon au médicament... », se tiendra du 3 au 14 février. La seconde, prévue pour le mois de septembre, portera sur « Les pharmacies portatives et les documents associés ».

GERMANY - DEUTSCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR GESCHICHTE DER PHARMAZIE

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In 2024, the 18 regional groups of the DGGP (German Society for the History of Pharmacy) organized numerous scientific events, reflecting the thematic diversity of pharmaceutical history as seen from various disciplinary perspectives. These regional group events once again made a firm and indispensable contribution to pharmaceutical history's scholarly communication.

The pharmaceutical trade press, including the Deutsche Apotheker Zeitung (German Pharmacists' Newspaper) and the Pharmaceutische Zeitung (Pharmaceutical Newspaper), reported on many of the regional group activities in 2024. An overview of these events is also available on the homepage of the German Society for the History of Pharmacy.

The DGGP maintains a strong collaborative relationship with the German Pharmaceutical Society (DPhG). In 2024, Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter was elected as the new chair of the DPhG's "History of Pharmacy" section, succeeding Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich, who had led the section since 2011. Prof. Friedrich also organized the traditional historical pre-symposia for the DPhG's annual congresses, most recently held in Münster in 2024. The lectures at this year's pre-symposium focused on the local pharmaceutical history of Münster. Maria Lammers and Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich presented on the development of university pharmacy at the University of Münster; Dr. Beatrix Bäumer spoke on the historical evolution of pharmacies; Dr. Maresca Köster discussed the development of the pharmaceutical industry in Münster; and Dr. Nils Klämbt offered an overview of the life and contributions of the pharmaceutical chemist and Münster native, Hans Paul Kaufmann.

A special highlight of 2024 was the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, held in Belgrade under the theme "The Pharmaceutical Profession and Society: Roots, Developments and Lessons for the Future." The congress impressed participants with its high-level academic program and outstanding organization. German pharmaceutical history was prominently represented with numerous scientific contributions. Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter and Dr. Christiane Staiger delivered plenary lectures. Presentations were also given by Dr. Ursula Lang, Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich, Prof. Dr. Michael Mönnich, and Dr. Maximilian Haars. Several contributions from Germany were included in the congress's poster exhibition.

During the ceremonial session of the International Academy for the History of Pharmacy, Prof. Dr. Stuart Anderson was awarded the Schelenz Medal, the highest honor bestowed by the German Society for internationally distinguished scholars in the field of pharmaceutical history. The medal was presented by Dr. rer. nat. habil. Susanne Landgraf, President of the DGGP, in recognition of Prof. Anderson's exceptional and enthusiastic contributions to the history of pharmacy.



Prof. Dr. Stuart Anderson received the Schelenz - Medal from Dr. rer. nat. habil. Susanne Landgraf



Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich (right) received the Parmentier Medal from Prof. Dr. Olivier Lafont

In addition, Dr. Ursula Lang was elected as a member of the Académie Internationale d'Histoire de la Pharmacie, in recognition of her scientific achievements. Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich was awarded the Parmentier Medal by the Société d'Histoire Pharmacie (France) distinguished academic work. The medal was presented by Prof. Dr. Olivier Lafont, honorary president of the French society. The DGGP also participated in Interpharm 2024, held in Mannheim. Since 1989, Interpharm has been organized by the Deutscher Apotheker Verlag (DAV) and is pharmaceutical the largest training congress in Germany.

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The DGGP was honored to be invited to join the "Young Pharmaceutical Scientists" program, specifically designed for the next generation of pharmacists. The DGGP Board was pleased to engage in meaningful dialogue with pharmacy students and to raise awareness about the relevance of academic pharmaceutical history. The Society expresses its sincere thanks to the Deutscher Apotheker Verlag for this generous opportunity to be present throughout both days of the congress.

Looking ahead, in April 2025, the Pharmaceutical History Biennale will take place in Lüneburg, focusing on the theme "Salts and Inorganics." The choice of Lüneburg as the venue is particularly apt, given its long-standing history of salt production dating back to the 12th century. We look forward to an exciting program, intensive scholarly exchange, vibrant discussions, and many enriching encounters with colleagues and friends.

The lectures presented at the previous Pharmaceutical History Biennale in Nuremberg, which explored the theme "Arzneimittel und Sucht – Geschichte und Ausblick" (Medicines and Addiction – History and Outlook), have since been published in the DGGP's own scholarly series Veröffentlichungen zur Pharmaziegeschichte (Publications on the History of Pharmacy), edited by Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich.

The Pharmaceutical History Bibliography (PhB), an international reference tool on publications in the field, was also published in 2024 and includes numerous entries authored by members of the DGGP. The Society continues to publish original studies, essays, and biobibliographical articles in its journal Geschichte der Pharmazie (GdP). The DGGP would like to express its deep appreciation to Professors Christoph Friedrich and Axel Helmstädter for their outstanding editorial work on our publications and for their dedication to the field.



The German Society for the History of Pharmacy at Interpharm 2024

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Im Jahr 2024 wurden von den 18 Landesgruppen der DGGP zahlreiche wissenschaftliche Veranstaltungen organisiert, die die thematische Vielfalt der Pharmaziegeschichte aus verschiedenen disziplinären Perspektiven sichtbar und erlebbar machten. In der pharmaziehistorischen Wissenschaftskommunikation leisteten die Regionalgruppenveranstaltungen damit erneut einen festen und Beitrag. Über die im Jahr 2024 unverzichtbaren durchgeführten Regionalgruppenveranstaltungen wurde in der pharmazeutischen Fachpresse, wie der Deutschen Apotheker Zeitung und der Pharmazeutischen Zeitung, ausführlich berichtet. Eine Übersicht der Veranstaltungen der Landesgruppen ist auf der Homepage der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie einsehbar.

Die DGGP pflegt eine enge Zusammenarbeit mit der Deutschen Pharmazeutischen Gesellschaft (DPhG). Zum neuen Vorsitzenden der Fachgruppe "Geschichte der Pharmazie" der DPhG wurde Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter gewählt. Er folgt auf Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich, der dieser Fachgruppe seit 2011 als Vorsitzender vorgestanden hatte. Zu den Jahreskongressen der DPhG organisierte Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich regelmäßig die traditionellen historischen Vorsymposien, so auch zuletzt im Jahr 2024 in Münster.

Ganz im Sinne dieser Veranstaltungsreihe widmeten sich auch beim diesjährigen Vorsymposium die Vorträge pharmaziehistorischen Aspekten des Veranstaltungsortes. Der Vortrag von Frau Maria Lammers und Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich befasste sich mit der Entwicklung der Hochschulpharmazie an der Universität Münster. Zur Geschichte des Apothekenwesens in Münster referierte Frau Dr. Beatrix Bäumer. Dr. Maresca Köster stellte in ihrem Beitrag die Entwicklung der pharmazeutischen Industrie in Münster dar. Dr. Nils Klämbt gab einen pharmaziehistorischen Überblick über den pharmazeutischen Chemiker und gebürtigen Münsteraner Hans Paul Kaufmann.

Ein besonderes Ereignis im Jahr 2024 war der überaus erfolgreiche 46. Internationale Kongress für Geschichte der Pharmazie, der in Belgrad stattfand. Der Kongress stand unter dem Motto "Apothekerberuf und Gesellschaft: Wurzeln, Entwicklungen und Lehren für die Zukunft" und beeindruckte die Teilnehmenden durch ein hochkarätiges wissenschaftliches Programm sowie eine herausragende Organisation.

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Auch die deutsche Pharmaziegeschichte war in Belgrad mit einer Vielzahl wissenschaftlicher Beiträge prominent vertreten. Plenarvorträge wurden von Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter und Dr. Christiane Staiger gehalten. Weitere Vorträge aus den Reihen der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie (DGGP) präsentierten Dr. Ursula Lang, Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich, Prof. Dr. Michael Mönnich und Dr. Maximilian Haars. Zahlreiche Beiträge aus Deutschland waren zudem in der Posterausstellung des Kongresses vertreten.

Im Rahmen der feierlichen Sitzung der Internationalen Akademie für Geschichte der Pharmazie verlieh die Präsidentin der DGGP, Dr. rer. nat. habil. Susanne Landgraf, an Prof. Dr. Stuart Anderson die Schelenz-Plakette – eine der bedeutendsten Auszeichnungen für Pharmaziehistorikerinnen und –historiker von internationalem Rang. Mit dieser Ehrung dankt die Schelenz-Kommission Prof. Dr. Anderson insbesondere für sein professionelles und leidenschaftliches Engagement für die Geschichte der Pharmazie.

In Anerkennung ihrer wissenschaftlichen Leistungen wurde Dr. Ursula Lang als Mitglied in die Académie Internationale d'Histoire de la Pharmacie aufgenommen. Für sein herausragendes wissenschaftliches Werk wurde Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich von der französischen Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie mit der Parmentier-Medaille ausgezeichnet. Die Ehrung wurde ihm von Prof. Dr. Olivier Lafont, dem Ehrenpräsidenten der französischen Gesellschaft, feierlich überreicht.





Die DGGP war 2024 auf der Interpharm in Mannheim vertreten! Seit 1989 wird die Interpharm, der größte pharmazeutische Fortbildungskongress Deutschlands, vom Deutschen Apotheker Verlag (DAV) ausgerichtet. Der DAV hatte die DGGP eingeladen, am eigens für den pharmazeutischen Nachwuchs konzipierten Kongressprogramm "Young Pharmaceutical Scientists" teilzunehmen. Der Vorstand der DGGP freute sich sehr über die Begegnungen, den intensiven Austausch und die positive Resonanz der Pharmaziestudierenden. Gleichzeitig nutzte der Vorstand die Teilnahme an der für die Interpharm, um das Bewusstsein Bedeutung der Pharmaziegeschichte unter den Studierenden zu stärken. Für diese großzügige Einladung möchte sich die Deutsche Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie an dieser Stelle nochmals herzlich beim Deutschen Apotheker Verlag bedanken - wir danken Ihnen dafür, dass unsere Gesellschaft an beiden Kongresstagen vertreten sein durfte!

Im April 2025 wird in Lüneburg die nächste Pharmaziehistorische Biennale stattfinden, die dem Thema "Salze und Anorganika" gewidmet ist. Die Wahl Lüneburgs als Veranstaltungsort erweist sich dabei als besonders passend: Die Salzgewinnung hat das städtische Leben dort bereits seit dem 12. Jahrhundert geprägt und steht somit in direktem inhaltlichen Bezug zum Tagungsthema. Wir freuen uns auf ein spannendes Programm, auf intensiven fachlichen Austausch, lebhafte Diskussionen, neue Erkenntnisse aus Wissenschaft und Forschung sowie auf zahlreiche bereichernde Begegnungen mit Kolleginnen und Kollegen aus dem In- und Ausland.

Die Vorträge der Pharmaziehistorischen Biennale in Nürnberg zum Thema "Arzneimittel und Sucht – Geschichte und Ausblick" wurden inzwischen als Tagungsband in der von Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich herausgegebenen Reihe der DGGP "Veröffentlichungen zur Pharmaziegeschichte" publiziert.

In der im Jahr 2024 erschienenen Pharmaziehistorischen Bibliografie (PhB), der internationalen Fachbibliographie zur Geschichte der Pharmazie, sind zahlreiche Publikationen von Mitgliedern der DGGP verzeichnet.

Die Deutsche Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie veröffentlicht zudem Originalarbeiten, Essays und biobibliographische Artikel in ihrem Publikationsorgan Geschichte der Pharmazie (GdP). Für die hervorragende redaktionelle Arbeit an unseren Zeitschriften und Publikationsreihen spricht die DGGP dem Redaktionsteam, Prof. Dr. Christoph Friedrich und Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter, ihren herzlichen Dank aus.

HONG KONG – HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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2024 marked the first full year of recovery in academic and professional activities following the end of the COVID-19 pandemic in early 2023. The year saw a resurgence of momentum with highlights of the Hong Kong Society for the History's activities in 2024 included:

January: The launch of the book A History of Western Pharmacy in China, authored by Patrick Chiu, president of the Society, and published by Springer, at the City University of Hong Kong on the 23rd.

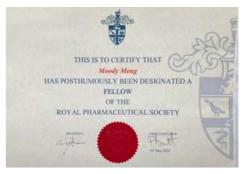
March: The Society was invited to deliver a paper on "The Beginning of Western Pharmaceutical Industry in China" at the 2024 Cross Strait Hospital Pharmacy Conference held from the 15th to the 17th in Xiamen, a special economic zone in China. The conference was attended by 200 participants from the Mainland, 50 from Taiwan, and 20 from the Hong Kong and Macau Special Administrative Zones.

May: Springer organized a webinar on "Empires and Modern Pharmacy in China" on the 15th, featuring leading medical and pharmaceutical historians including Patrick Chiu, the Society's president, sharing their insights on the pharmaceutical history of Western powers in China.

Additionally, the Society initiated the posthumous awarding of a Fellowship to Moody Meng (1897-1983), China's first British-qualified pharmaceutical chemist in 1924, on the 100th anniversary of his membership in the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain. Dr. Stuart Anderson was the primary nominator.



Springer Webinar poster, 15 May 2025.



Posthumous certificate of FRPharmS of Moody Meng

September: The Society participated in the Biannual Congress of the International Society of the History of Pharmacy in Belgrade, Serbia.

November: The Society was invited by the Federation of Asian Pharmaceutical Associations (FAPA) to deliver a lecture on "Charting the Future of Pharmacy in Asia" on the 1st of the month at the 2025 Biannual FAPA Conference in Seoul, South Korea. The FAPA Country Leadership reached a consensus to compile the "Handbook of Asia History of Pharmacy" with the Society taking a lead as editor-in-chief, with a planned launch at the October 2026 Biannual FAPA Conference in Bangkok, Thailand.

Additionally, with primary and secondary nominations from Dr. Stuart Anderson, renowned British Imperial Pharmacy historian, and Mr. Dick Sun, president of the Pharmaceutical Society of Hong Kong, Patrick Chiu was elected as a fellow of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain on the 20th of the month for his contributions in promoting the history of pharmacy to both the academic and public sectors in China and Asia.

December: The Society hosted a Christmas dinner for the 20-odd leaders of the Hong Kong pharmacy profession, representing the academic, community, hospital, and industrial sectors in the Special Administrative Zone of China.

The HKSHP wishes everyone the best in the Year of the Wood Snake.



Participants of the 2024 Hong Kong Society for the History of Pharmacy Christmas Dinner, 6 December. 2024.Left: Patrick Chiu, HKSHP, First row (1st Right): Mrs. Mary Cheng, President, Pharmaceutical Society of Hong Kong, 2012-2014, (2nd Right): Philip Chiu, President, PSHK, 2004-2006, 2012-2018, (9th Right): Benedict Chiu, Treasurer, HKSHP, Second Row (1st Right): Michael Ling, Founding President, Hong Kong Hospital Pharmacists Association, (4th Right): Dr. Wilson Leung, President, College of Pharmacy Practice of Hong Kong, (8th Right): Dick Sung, President, Pharmaceutical Society of Hong Kong (2021-2026)

HUNGARY - HUNGARIAN SOCIETY FOR PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES PHARMACY HISTORY DIVISION

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The year 2024 marked a highly significant milestone in the life of the Hungarian Society for Pharmaceutical Sciences, as it celebrated its 100th anniversary. Prior to World War I, Hungary had several pharmaceutical organizations, primarily with professional objectives. Following the war, in the early 1920s, leading figures of Hungarian academic pharmacy initiated the establishment of a scientific organization to support the professional and scientific advancement of pharmacy in Hungary, and to foster collaboration among pharmacists. The official statutes of the Society were approved in September 1924, and its first president was appointed as Professor Sándor Mágócsy-Dietz.

The centenary celebrations began in September 2023 with a scientific meeting held in conjunction with World Pharmacists Day. This event was organized by the Society in collaboration with the Committee of Pharmaceutical Sciences of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

On May 11, 2024, the Society commemorated its centenary with a ceremonial meeting held at Semmelweis University in Budapest. During the event, the current and former presidents of the Society, Prof. Éva Szökő and Prof. Zoltán Vincze, presented the Society's key achievements, major milestones, and its contributions to Hungarian pharmacy. Several members of the Society were recognized for their contributions. Among them, Dr. László Szmodits and Dr. Attila Szabó—active members of the Pharmacy History Division—were awarded the Societas Pharmaceutica Hungarica Commemorative Medal.



Dr. Attila Szabó awarded by the "Societas Pharmaceutica Hungarica" Commemorative Medal, Budapest, May 2024, with the representatives of the Hungarian Society for Pharmaceutical Sciences



Dr. László Szmodits awarded by the "Societas Pharmaceutica Hungarica" Commemorative Medal, Budapest, May 2024, with the representatives of the Hungarian Society for Pharmaceutical Sciences

The most important and largest scientific event of the jubilee year was the traditional Congressus Pharmaceuticus Hungaricus XVII, which was held in conjunction with the EUFEPS Annual Meeting 2024. This joint event took place at the Kölcsey Centre in Debrecen from May 23 to 25, 2024. Attended by more than 700 participants, the congress featured several parallel sessions highlighting recent scientific advances and developments in pharmaceutical sciences and practice.

The first day of the conference was dedicated to the historical development of pharmacy in Hungary and Europe, and was attended by both national and international participants. The History of Pharmacy Symposium was co-chaired by Prof. Axel Helmstädter, head of the EUFEPS Network on the History of Pharmacy and former president of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy.

An award ceremony was also held during the congress, where the József Ernyey Medal of the Pharmacy History Division was presented to two of its active members, Dr. József Gőbel and Dr. László Mihu.

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Congressus Pharmaceuticus
Hungaricus XVII and EUFEPS Annual
Meeting, Debrecen, May 2024 - Chairs
of the Pharmacy History Symposium Prof. Axel Helmstädter and Prof. Éva
Szökő





Dr. József Gőbel and Dr. László Mihu were awarded by the József Ernyey Medal

IRAN – IRANIAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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In 2024, the Iranian Society for the History of Pharmacy (IrSHP) contributed to the organization of several national and international events. Some of these are listed below:

International Symposium on Policy, Legal, and Regulatory Landscape on Traditional and Complementary Medicine

This symposium was held in Tehran from November 20 to 23, 2024. The IrSHP served as a co-organizer of the event, with Dr. Arman Zargaran, President of IrSHP, acting as the Chair of the symposium. The event was hosted and supported by Tehran University of Medical Sciences and the Office of Persian and Complementary Medicine at the Ministry of Health and Medical Education of Iran.

More than 250 international speakers and delegates participated, both in person and online, from countries including Iran, the UAE, the USA, India, Switzerland, Brazil, Thailand, South Korea, Austria, Kenya, China, Indonesia, and Greece.

A notable keynote speaker was Dr. Sungchol Kim, Head of the Traditional, Complementary and Integrative Medicine Unit at the World Health Organization (WHO) in Geneva.



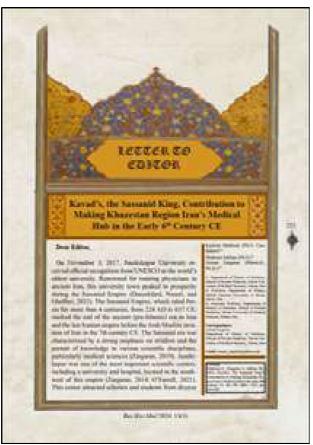


The Second International Online Conference on the History of Ophthalmology (Iran and Türkiye)

This online event was held with the contribution of the Iranian Society for the History of Pharmacy (IrSHP) on February 19, 2024. The one-day conference featured speakers from both Iran and Türkiye.

Publications

Members of IrSHP contributed to various scientific projects in the fields of the history of pharmacy and medicine. A selection of their published articles is listed below.





ITALY – ACCADEMIA ITALIANA DI STORIA DELLA FARMACIA

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The year 2024 was marked by numerous activities for the Italian Academy of the History of Pharmacy.

The 73rd National Congress, held in Pesaro from May 10 to 12, 2024, was a great success, thanks to the invaluable efforts of the members of the Consiglio di Reggenza and the support of Daniele Vimini, representing the organizers of Pesaro Italian Capital of Culture 2024. In particular, we wish to acknowledge the presence of Andrea Duranti, representing the Chancellor of the University of Urbino; Andrea Mandelli, President of FOFI; Annarosa Racca, President of Federfarma Lombardia; Angelo Pascucci, President of FOFI Pesaro-Urbino; Stefano Golinelli, President of Federfarma Pesaro-Urbino; and Halil Tekiner, President of the ISHP.

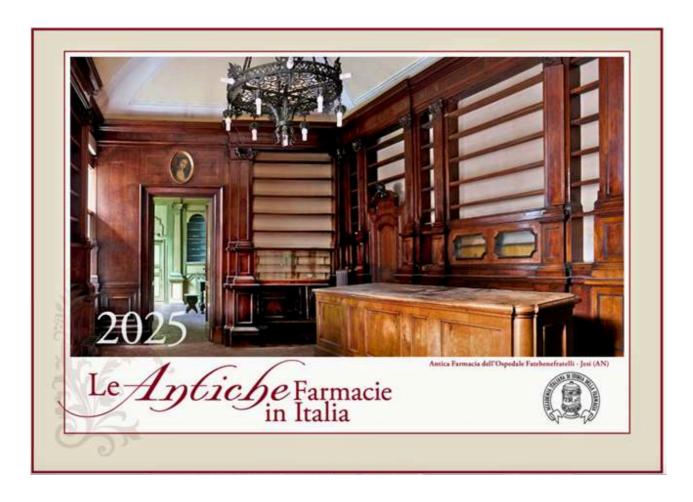




On this occasion, François Ledermann was awarded the "Angelo Beccarelli Prize." Annamaria Monti Beccarelli presented the prestigious plaque to him. Our journal, Atti e Memorie, expertly edited by Ernesto Riva, has published all the papers presented at our meetings, along with original contributions by scholars, researchers, and members of the Academy:



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The 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy was held in Belgrade from 4 to 7 September 2024. Over 150 participants, including several members of the AISF, attended the congress, which focused on the theme "The Pharmaceutical Profession and Society: Roots, Development, and Lessons for the Future."





Social Activities

Several social events were organized throughout the year, including a convivial gathering held on December 8, 2024, at the Hotel Majestic Baglioni in Bologna.









Member Activities

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 was held to commemorate the five hundredth anniversary of the pharmacy of the Civil Town Hospitals.

Notably, Chiara Beatrice Vicentini gave a talk entitled "La farmacia ospedaliera: Dalle origini al XIX secolo," and Giovanni Cipriani presented on "La farmacopea bresciana di Francesco Marabelli (1798)."

Exhibitions

Treviso: From March 3 to June 30, 2024, Ernesto Riva and Carla Camana curated the exhibition "Curarsi e nutrirsi con le erbe nei secoli" (Healing and Nourishing with Herbs Through the Centuries) at the Tipoteca Foundation in Cornuda. The exhibition explored the historical uses of medicinal and culinary herbs, highlighting their role in traditional healing practices and daily life across different centuries.

The Italian Academy of the History of Pharmacy is pleased to announce new initiatives and forthcoming events planned for 2024 and 2025, aimed at fostering historical scholarship and public engagement in the field of pharmaceutical history.

La Storia Racconta (Historical Tales)

The Italian Academy of the History of Pharmacy, in collaboration with the University of Ferrara, will organize a series of evening online lectures throughout 2025 under the title "La Storia Racconta" (Historical Tales).

These lectures aim to explore various aspects of the history of pharmacy, bringing together scholars, researchers, and enthusiasts in an accessible digital format.

Upcoming Event - 75th National Congress

The 75th Italian National Congress on the History of Pharmacy will take place in Vercelli, from May 16 to 18, 2025, at the Salone Dugentesco of the former Ospedale Maggiore S. Andrea.

Participants wishing to present should submit a short abstract by March 10, 2025, to: congresso.aisf@unife.it





"Salone Dugentesco" of the former Ospedale Maggiore S. Andrea - Venue of the Congress in Vercelli

JAPAN - JAPANESE SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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Appointment of a New JSHP President

At the General Assembly Meeting held on April 27, 2024, Dr. Shinji Funayama was appointed as the 9th President of the Japanese Society for the History of Pharmacy (JSHP) for a two-year term.

Message from Dr. Funayama, the New President

The Japanese Society for the History of Pharmacy, established in 1954, is a distinguished academic society that recently celebrated its 70th anniversary. To commemorate this milestone, a special academic conference was held in Tokyo, accompanied by the publication of a commemorative issue.

The 59th volume of the Society's academic journal, The Japanese Journal for the History of Pharmacy (Yakushigaku Zasshi), included several review articles and a record of a roundtable discussion held via Zoom, entitled "Looking Back on the Past 10 Years and Thinking About the Next 10 Years" (Jpn. J. History Pharm., 59(1), 8–13 (2024)).



Professor Shinji Funayama, Ph.D., President of JSHP

I have long held a deep interest in both pharmaceutical sciences and the history of pharmacy. In 1980, I completed my undergraduate and doctoral education at the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Tohoku University, where I obtained my pharmacist's license and a Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Sciences. I subsequently conducted research for three years at the College of Pharmacy, University of Illinois at Chicago. Following this, I joined the Kitasato Institute and later returned to the Pharmaceutical Institute at Tohoku University. I then moved to the Faculty of Engineering at Aomori University. Since 2004, I have been teaching at Nihon Pharmaceutical University in Saitama, where I currently serve as a Visiting Professor.

While my original area of specialization was natural product chemistry, my scholarly interests also encompass medicinal and poisonous plants, antibiotics, the chemical constituents of plants used in Kampo medicine, and various other aspects of the history of pharmacy.

It is a great honor to be appointed as the 9th President of JSHP for the next two years. I believe that the history of pharmacy is an essential field that allows us to critically reflect on the innovative paths that pharmacy has taken and to better understand its future role within healthcare systems. I hope that more young scholars and researchers in the pharmaceutical sciences will develop an interest in this field and consider joining the Society. I also wish to see more presentations at our Annual Meetings and an increase in submissions to the Japanese Journal for the History of Pharmacy, thereby enhancing its academic substance and impact.

Furthermore, I am committed to strengthening JSHP's collaboration with the International Society for the History of Pharmacy and other related academic bodies. I look forward to working with all of you to achieve these goals and to further the development of our Society.

Member News

The Japanese Society for the History of Pharmacy is deeply saddened to announce the passing of Honorary Member Professor Emeritus Jun Okuda on October 19, 2024, at the age of 95.

After graduating from the Nagoya Municipal Pharmacy College (now the Nagoya City University School of Pharmacy), he earned his Ph.D. from Kyoto University in 1960. In 1973, he was appointed Professor at the Faculty of Pharmacy, Meijo University, where he dedicated himself pharmaceutical research and education. recognition of his outstanding contributions to pharmaceutical education, he was awarded the Education Award by the Pharmaceutical Society of Japan in 2001 and was later named Professor Emeritus at Meijo University.



Dr. Jun Okuda (1929-2024)

Professor Okuda consistently emphasized the importance of integrating the history of pharmacy—including its broader social implications—into the pharmacy education curriculum. Among his notable publications in the field of pharmaceutical history are Studies on Yakushi Buddha (Buddha of Healing) and Its Medicinal Container in Japan and Research on the History of Pharmacy in India.

He served as a member of the JSHP Editorial Committee from 2000 to 2012 and as a Director of JSHP from 2012 to 2014. In 2013, he received JSHP's highest award for his research on the Yakushi Buddha and its medicinal container in Japan. The following year, in recognition of his remarkable scholarly contributions and unwavering support for the Society, he was appointed an Honorary Member of JSHP. Professor Okuda's legacy will be remembered with deep respect and gratitude by all members of the Society.

Meetings

The Japanese Society for the History of Pharmacy hosted a public lecture on April 27, 2024, featuring two distinguished presentations. The first lecture, titled "What can be seen from the newspaper format 'Nihon Yakuho' published by the Pharmaceutical Society of Japan before World War II", was delivered by Dr. Toshimasa Koshimizu from the Department of Medical History at Juntendo University Graduate School of Medicine. The second lecture, entitled "Diseases and Medicines in the Edo Period based on historical materials from the Naito Museum of Pharmaceutical Science and Industry", was presented by Ms. Hiromi Inagaki, Curator at the Naito Museum of Pharmaceutical Science and Industry.

On the same day, the General Assembly Meeting of JSHP was convened. All agenda items, including the activity report and financial statements for the previous fiscal year, as well as the activity plan and budget for the current year, were approved as proposed.

Several awards were also conferred during the meeting. The 2023 Annual Meeting Outstanding Presentation Award was presented to Dr. Kayoko Shimada-Takaura. The JSHP Award was granted to Dr. Toshimasa Koshimizu in recognition of his achievements in planning and editing the book Introduction to the History of Pharmacy. Two Encouragement Awards were given: one to Dr. Toshiaki Makino for his research on the pharmaceutical history of medicinal herbs used as raw materials for herbal medicines, and the other to Dr. Kayoko Shimada-Takaura for her interdisciplinary research on Ogata Koan's medicine box. In addition, the Special Award was presented to Ms. Hiromi Inagaki for her outstanding work in planning and managing exhibitions at the Naito Museum of Pharmaceutical Science and Industry and for her contributions to research in the history of pharmacy.





Left: Dr. Koshimizu receiving the JSHP Award. Right: Ms. Inagaki receiving the Special Award

On November 2, 2024, the Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for the History of Pharmacy was held at the Faculty of Pharmacy, Teikyo University, in Tokyo to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Society's founding. The event was attended by more than 120 participants.

The meeting featured two special lectures. The first was delivered by Dr. Takeshi Kinoshita, Professor Emeritus of Teikyo University, and was entitled "On the Juku Turmeric Used in the Incense 'Jijyū' in the Heian Period."

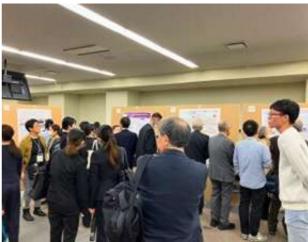
The second lecture was given by Dr. Okio Hino, Professor Emeritus of Juntendo University and Director of the Nitobe Inazo Memorial Center, titled "Supporting Cancer Patients: From the Cancer Philosophy Clinic."

These keynote addresses were followed by a symposium on the theme "Learning from the History of Food and Medicine," which addressed topics such as natto, lactic acid bacteria, plasma fraction preparations, and nucleic acid medicines.

JSHP members delivered a total of eight oral presentations and eight poster presentations on a wide range of themes, each followed by lively and engaging discussions. In the evening, a reception was held in the university's student cafeteria, offering attendees a more informal setting for further exchange.

On the following day, members participated in a guided tour exploring the history of medicine in Tokyo. The tour included visits to the Koishikawa Botanical Garden, the University of Tokyo Museum of Health and Medicine, and the National Diet Building.





Left: Venue view of the oral presentations, Right: Poster Presentation Session





Left: Opening speech at the reception, Right: Tour of Koishikawa Botanical Garden



Dr. Morimoto giving a lecture at the Six Societies Meeting

The 15th Shibata Forum was held in Tokyo on August 3, 2024, and was attended by 26 participants. The event featured two lectures. The first, titled "The Importance of Considering Crude Drug Specimens During the Investigation of OGATA Koan's Medicinal Practice," was delivered by Dr. Kayoko Shimada-Takaura from the Faculty of Pharmacy, Kindai University. The second lecture, entitled "A Memory of My Grandfather – Kiyoshi Shiga, Discoverer of Shigella dysenteriae and Medicine," was presented by Mr. Naofumi Shiga, former councilor of the Institute of Environmental Toxicology.

The Six Societies Meeting of the Histories of Medicine, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Veterinary Science, Nursing, and Western Learning took place on December 14, 2024. On this occasion, Dr. Kazushige Morimoto delivered a lecture entitled "In Appreciation of the Publication of the 70th Anniversary Issue of the Japanese Journal for the History of Pharmacy."

Committee Activities

To commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Japanese Society for the History of Pharmacy in 2024, the Commemorative Publication Committee, chaired by Dr. Kazushige Morimoto, convened several meetings to discuss the contents of a special issue of The Japanese Journal for the History of Pharmacy. The committee received congratulatory messages from both domestic and international contributors. Thanks to the cooperation of many individuals, the 70th anniversary issue of the journal was successfully published on June 30, 2024.

JSHP Publications

In 2024, JSHP published Volume 59, Numbers 1 and 2 of The Japanese Journal for the History of Pharmacy, as well as Issues 92 and 93 of the History of Pharmacy Newsletter (in Japanese). Notably, Volume 59, Number 1 was issued as a special commemorative edition marking the 70th anniversary of JSHP's founding.

Member Publications

Dr. Shoichiro Yasushi, Councilor of JSHP, published a book titled Pioneers of the Japanese Pharmaceutical Industry (in Japanese), released by Bunshindo Press in March 2024. This work explores the early development of Japan's pioneering pharmaceutical companies and their founders, offering insights into the strategic decisions and entrepreneurial responses they employed in navigating changing historical and economic circumstances.



Book cover of "Pioneers of the Japanese Pharmaceutical Industry"

ISHP International Congress (Belgrade)

Five members of the Japanese Society for the History of Pharmacy participated in the 46th International Congress of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy, held in Belgrade. In total, they delivered four oral presentations and one poster presentation.

Dr. Kayoko Shimada-Takaura, recipient of the ISHP Research Grant 2023/2024, gave an oral presentation titled "The Exploration of Crude Drug Specimens: Their Significance and Application for the Analysis of Regional Specificity." In her talk, she discussed the current progress and future prospects of her research project. Dr. Manami Takakiwa presented a poster and was awarded second place in the poster competition.





Left: JSHP participants (From the left: Kayoko Shimada-Takaura, Manami Takakiwa, Julia Yongue, Kazushige Morimoto, and Yohko Natsume and her spouse). Right: Dr. Shimada-Takaura giving an oral presentation

Website Renewal

The JSHP website has been updated to enhance accessibility and functionality. The renewed site now includes support for smartphones, links to social media platforms, and YouTube videos featuring recorded and edited oral presentations from the Annual Meeting, provided by the speakers themselves.

A Content Management System (WordPress) has been implemented, with the primary content in Japanese and accompanying English subtexts. The website can be accessed at: https://plaza.umin.ac.jp/yakushi/. Journal articles published in Japanese—each accompanied by an English abstract—are available for free download from the same website.

LITHUANIA – LITHUANIAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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Key Activities and Commemorations in 2024

The Lithuanian Society for the History of Pharmacy has eight members, most of whom work at the Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy. Therefore, the society's activities are closely related to the events organized at the museum.

Main Activities at International and Domestic Congresses

January 2024: Viktorija Šimkutė delivered a presentation titled "Pharmacist Juozas Piekarskis and His Contribution to the Creation of the Nevarėnai Small-Town" at the conference "From Kražiai to Lithuania: The Inhabitants of Interwar Lithuanian Small-Towns and Their Culture" in Kražiai, Lithuania.

• March 22: At the Faculty of Pharmacy, Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, conference "Contemporary Pharmacy: Issues, Challenges, Expectations 2024" was held, dedicated to the 155th anniversary of Prof. Petras Raudonikis, a pioneer of pharmacy education in Kaunas. In the plenary session, Vilma Gudienė presented the lecture "Kaunas Luminary: Prof. Petras Raudonikis - Pioneer, Architect, and Visionary in Pharmacy Education." A pharmacy history section was organized, covering topics related to pharmacy studies, with participants from Latvia, Ukraine, Italy, and Estonia presenting their research.



Conference Contemporary Pharmacy: Issues, Challenges, and Expectations 2024 - Participants of the History of Pharmacy Section.

- April 5: The conference "SCIENTIA ET HISTORIA 2024" of the Society of Lithuanian Science Historians and Philosophers took place in Kaunas, at the Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy. The event was dedicated to the 300th birth anniversary of the renowned philosopher Immanuel Kant (1724–1804). Presentations on the history of pharmacy: Tauras Mekas "Museum and University: Connection and Survival." Vilma Gudienė "Professor Petras Raudonikis (1869–1950): Founder of Pharmacy Studies in Kaunas."
- April 20: In Paluknys, a conference was held in memory of the renowned Vilnius University pharmacy professor Johann Friedrich Wolfgang (1776–1859), who lived and conducted research on medicinal plants in the region. Presentations: Zenona Šimaitienė – "Herbalist Traditions in Lithuania." Tauras Antanas Mekas – "The History of 'Trejos devynerios.'"

- April 20: "Kaunas History Conference," organized by Vytautas Magnus University (Kaunas). Presentation: Vilma Gudienė, Zenona Šimaitienė – "Lithuanian Pharmacy History Reflected in the Manuscripts and Drawings of Adomas Mačius (1882–1974)."
- September 4-7: "46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy," Belgrade. Presentations: Vilma Gudienė "Reflections of War Hardships in the Manuscripts and Drawings of Adomas Mačius." Poster: Viktorija Šimkutė, Vilma Gudienė "Pharmacists, Pharmacy, and Medicines as a Part of Lithuanian Humor in the First Half of the 20th Century."

Commemorative Meetings in the Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy

- November 10: The centennial anniversary of pharmacist Genovaitė Grigaliūnienė (1924–2015).
- December 30: Centennial commemoration of pharmacist Prof. Vytautas Brasiūnas (1924–2009).

Exhibitions at the Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy

- March 10: "Professor Petras Raudonikis (1869–1950): Founder of Pharmacy Studies in Kaunas."
- May 16: "55 Years of Creative Alchemy" an exhibition dedicated to artist Jūratė Rekevičiūtė (1969–2019). The exhibition featured artworks specifically created on pharmacy-related themes, including Pharmacist's Dream, Mortar and Pestle, Scales, Ready to Help, Holy Retorts, Hope, and Elixir of Love.



ISHP Grant

Viktorija Šimkutė, Lecturer at Vilnius University, PhD Student, has been awarded an ISHP scholarship for her project titled "Between East and West: A Comparative Analysis of the Role of Pharmacists in the Military Forces of Interwar Lithuania, Western and Eastern Europe".

Publications

 Monograph: Vilma Gudienė – "The Personality and Academic Odyssey of the Doctor of Pharmacy Benediktas Šiaulis". Publication Link: https://lsmu.lt/cris/entities/publication/b73f 45c0-23f7-463b-ab8a-a8703f61451a



Vilma Gudienė's monograph: The Personality and Academic Odyssey of the Doctor of Pharmacy Benediktas Šiaulis.

New Collaborations and International Involvement

In 2024, the Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy, together with the Botanical Garden Collection of Medicinal Plants at Vytautas Magnus University, became members of the association "Aromas Itinerarium Salutis (AIS)" – The European Route of Historic Pharmacies and Medicinal Gardens (Cultural Route of the Council of Europe).

Other Activities

- September 11: The Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy participated in the history festival "Living Archaeology Days" in Kernavė, showcasing the historical significance of pharmacy within the broader cultural and historical landscape.
- February 27: Viktorija Šimkutė gave an interview on the Lithuanian National Broadcaster's program Laba diena, Lietuva, discussing infectious diseases in Lithuania in the early 20th century.

Upcoming Events Calendar

- April 10, 2025: The centenary of the first higher education diploma in pharmacy issued at the University of Lithuania will be marked at the annual conference organized by the Faculty of Pharmacy at the Lithuanian University of Health Sciences. The Pharmacy History section will feature presentations on pharmacy education, students, and academic transformations.
- April 2025: The Museum of the History of Lithuanian Medicine and Pharmacy will open an exhibition titled "Materia Medica," showcasing the evolution of medicinal substances and their historical significance.
- October 2025: To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Lithuanian Pharmacy Museum, established in 1975 under the initiative of Associate Professor Alfonsas Kaikaris, a special exhibition and various events will be organized.

NORWAY – THE NORWEGIAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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The year 2024 has been a successful and active one for the Norwegian Pharmaceutical History Society. Meetings were conducted both in person and as webinars, with the latter format being particularly well received. Webinars have the clear advantage of enabling participation from a broader geographical range, making it easier for members across the country to engage in the Society's activities.

Following the general meeting held on Tuesday, 16 April 2024, and the subsequent board constitution, the board consisted of Liv Slettevold as chair, Sissel Brinchmann as vice chair, and Holger Moe Tørisen as secretary. The other board members were Anne Gerd Granås, Anne Elise Eggen, and John Billy Nenningsland. Paul Tore Nielsen was elected as auditor. The nomination committee was composed of Inger Wabø (chair) and Håvard Selby Ebbestad.

During the year, the board held a total of seven meetings, five of which took place via Zoom and two via Microsoft Teams. The General Assembly and Spring Meeting were held on Tuesday, 16 April 2024, in a hybrid format, both in person and as a Zoom webinar. After the formal proceedings of the General Assembly, an open meeting followed, featuring a lecture by pharmacist and vaccine expert Johan Holst titled "Challenges in Vaccine Production in Norway: A Historical Overview."

The Autumn Meeting took place on 30 October 2024 and was likewise conducted both physically and digitally. The event focused on the theme "Public Procurement of Pharmaceuticals in Norway in Historical Perspective." Presentations were delivered by oncologist Fredrik Hellem Schjesvold, Kristin Svanqvist, Head of Market Access and External Affairs at Merck Norway, and Anne Helen Ognøy, Pharmaceutical Advisor at Hospital Procurement HF. Additionally, board member John Billy Nenningsland gave an overview of an ongoing project aimed at compiling a comprehensive account of pharmaceutical history collections and museums throughout Norway.

At the Autumn Meeting 2024, Holger Moe Tørisen (picture) was appointed an honorary member of the Norwegian Pharmaceutical History Society.





He has been a member of the Society since its inception and has made extensive contributions through his work on the board. He has also been closely involved with Cygnus, nearly from the beginning. In 2001, he assumed the role of general manager of the Cygnus publishing house, a position he held until its closure in 2012. Following the dissolution of the publishing house and the transfer of responsibility to the Norwegian Pharmaceutical History Society, he has continued to serve as editor of Cygnus. In addition to this editorial role, he has served as the secretary of the board, effectively acting as the Society's institutional memory with respect to pharmaceutical history.

Cygnus - Journal of Pharmaceutical History

Since the closure of the Cygnus publishing house in 2012, the Norwegian Pharmaceutical History Society has taken full responsibility for publishing *Cygnus* in both print and digital formats. Under the editorship of Holger Moe Tørisen, the journal continues to serve as an important platform for research in the field. NFHS aims to publish one issue per year, and in 2024, issue no. 31 was completed.

This year's issue features five contributions. Hanne Hjorth Tønnesen and Elisabeth S. Koren explore shipboard medicine in the period 1894-1935, while Erik and Marit Andrew document 100 years of pharmaceutical services in Nittedal. Randi Winsnes discusses the historical regulation of pharmaceuticals in Norway. Hege Helm reflects on the centenary of the Norwegian Pharmaceutical Society, and Gjertrud Sæter introduces a new jubilee book celebrating the Norwegian Museum of Pharmaceutical History.



Front cover of Cygnus -Farmasihistorisk tidsskrift, Issue 31 (December 2024)

International Society for the History of Pharmacy

The International Society for the History of Pharmacy held its biennial congress in Belgrade from 4 to 7 September 2024. Five participants from Norway attended the congress, including three representatives from the Norwegian Pharmaceutical History Society (NFHS)—Liv Slettevold, Anne Gerd Granås, and John Billy Nenningsland—who each delivered presentations.

Other Activities

The new website – www.norskfarmashistorie.no – was launched in conjunction with the General Assembly and the spring meeting, to great excitement. It is technically robust, highly user-friendly, and makes it easy to access activities and video recordings of webinars. In addition, previous issues of *Cygnus* have been made available and are fully searchable. The website also offers automatic translation into English, German, Spanish, and French. We are deeply grateful to the Foundation for the Promotion of Norwegian Pharmacy for supporting the development of the new website.

Ongoing tasks include the continued publication of *Cygnus*, maintaining the tradition of registered lectures in the history of pharmacy for the autumn meeting, producing webinars with engaging content, and further developing the online platform.

The important work of mapping pharmacy exhibitions and collections is also progressing. In 2024, the regions of Møre og Romsdal, Trøndelag, and Vestfold were visited. Reviews and photographs from the six relevant locations are ready to be published on the website. The remaining counties will be visited later this year. Additionally, active efforts are underway to increase membership and strengthen financial sustainability. As always, the mission of the Norwegian Society for the History of Pharmacy continues to guide our work.

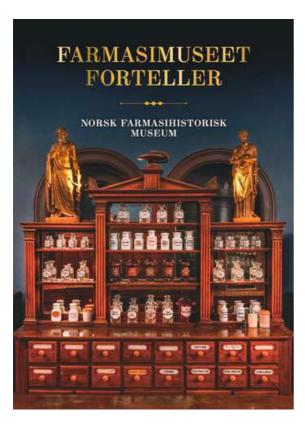
Social Activity

In May, we organised a "Moose Hunt" in the centre of Oslo, which included a visit to the former Elgen ("The Moose") Pharmacy. The event had a large turnout and featured engaging conversations and interviews, including one with former intern Holger Moe Tørisen. This type of social activity is something we hope to offer more frequently in the future.





Glimpse from "The Moose Hunt" at the former Elgen ("The Moose") Pharmacy



Administration and Accounting

The NFHS Board is responsible for managing the accounts and maintaining the membership records. The audit is carried out by Paul Tore Nielsen.

Membership Overview

As of December 31, 2024, the Society had 172 paying members and 3 honorary members.

The living honorary members are Mathis Gundersveen and Gunvor Solheim. Holger Moe Tørisen was appointed an honorary member at the NFHS autumn meeting on October 30, 2024. Honorary members who have passed away include Yngve Torud (b. 1940 – d. 2017) and Aslaug Gombos (b. 1937 – d. 2021)

NFHS Online Presence

NFHS activities can be followed on our website: www.norskfarmashistorie.no



The 32 interviewees of Farmasihistorier, a project documenting recent Norwegian pharmacy history through personal testimonies. Led by Professor Anne Gerd Granås in collaboration with national pharmacy programmes, with recruitment support from NFHS. Photo by Knut Werner Lindeberg Alsén.

POLAND – POLISH NATIONAL SECTION OF THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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The most somber and moving event for Polish pharmacy historians in 2024 was the passing of Dr. hab. Jadwiga Brzezińska (March 8, 1924 – January 26, 2024). Her death deeply affected all members of the Section, who shared heartfelt memories and paid tribute to her legacy. A special session in her honor is planned during the upcoming International Scientific Conference Medicinal Plants in Science and Culture. Among pharmaceutical historians, she was affectionately known as the "White Lady."

A publication summarizing the first symposium in a new national series was released under the title: Monograph of the 1st National Scientific Symposium in the Series: Humanistic Aspects of Pharmacy – Past and Present (Małkocin near Szczecin, June 16–17, 2023). The event was organized by the academic community in Szczecin and served as a platform for interdisciplinary dialogue between pharmacists, historians, philosophers, and physicians, all united by a shared concern for human well-being and the holistic promotion of pharmacy.

This initiative continued with the second symposium in the series, The Philosophy of Pharmaceutical Care (May 10–12, 2024), emphasizing that pharmaceutical care is essential for the effectiveness and safety of pharmacotherapy. A substantial number of Section members participated, delivering presentations that examined pharmaceutical care from a historical perspective. This conference also resulted in a published monograph titled Philosophy of Pharmaceutical Care.

In Poznań, members of the Section contributed to the unveiling of a commemorative plaque honoring pharmacists from Greater Poland who were victims of war crimes between 1939 and 1945. A thematic session accompanying this event was held at the Museum of Pharmacy in Poznań.

The Section on the History of Pharmacy of the Warsaw Branch of the Polish Pharmaceutical Society organized a total of 16 meetings throughout 2024. These gatherings were not limited to the Society's headquarters but also took place in significant cultural locations, including the palace in Jabłonna and the newly established museum Apteka–Kultura (Pharmacy–Culture) in Radom. Participants also visited other sites linked to the broader heritage of pharmacy and apothecaries.

In Opole, the Section hosted meetings with presentations on a variety of topics, such as: Nicolaus Copernicus' Recipe for All Ailments, Antonina Leśniewska: A Revolutionary in a Pharmacist's Apron, A Pharmacopoeia Scented with Roots, From the 13th-Century Opole Pharmacy Stall to Academic Pharmacy.

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The third edition of the conference Medicinal Plants in Science and Culture was held in Rzeszów (May 24–26, 2024), where pharmaceutical historians presented both papers and posters.

The Ethnographic Museum in Rzeszów also hosted a complementary exhibition titled May the Spell Fall on a Dog! Folk Medicine in Podkarpacie.

For the English version of the exhibition text, see: www.muzeumetnograficzne.rzes zow.pl/may-the-spell-fall-on-a-dog

Dr. Lidia Maria Czyż delivered addresses during both the opening and closing sessions of the conference.

Her speech, A Wise Pharmacist Has Herbs at a Price, was included in the exhibition's accompanying publication.





Photos from the Museum of Pharmacy History in Poznań.

ROMANIA – THE ROMANIAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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In 2024, the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy organized the National Reunion on the History of Pharmacy, which was held as part of the conference entitled Days of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy in Bucharest. The event took place from June 10 to 12, 2024, at the Faculty of Pharmacy, Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy (Library Hall, 6 Traian Vuia Street), and at the Pullman Hotel in Bucharest.

The contributors included professors from medical and pharmaceutical universities in Bucharest as well as from other academic centers across Romania, such as Cluj, Iași, Oradea, and Sibiu. In addition, the event welcomed researchers dedicated to the study of the history of pharmacy and the pharmaceutical profession.

During the opening ceremony, plaques and diplomas were awarded in recognition of notable contributions.

The meeting focused on a wide range of themes, including the commemoration of the centenary of Constantin Iugulescu (1924–2006); the history of pharmaceutical education in Romania; the historical use of medicinal plants in therapy; the evolution of pharmaceutical practice and the role of the pharmacist in society; the safeguarding and promotion of pharmaceutical heritage both nationally and internationally; previously unpublished archival documents; and the contributions of pharmacists, chemists, physicians, and other scientific figures to the field of pharmacy. The program also included presentations on various additional topics related to pharmaceutical history.

Program of the National Reunion for the History of Pharmacy

On Monday, June 10, the program began at 15:00 in the Library Hall with the official opening ceremony. Speeches were delivered by Professor Adriana Elena Tăerel, President of the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy (RSHP), and Professor Doina Drăgănescu, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, along with invited guests from pharmacy faculties across the country. During the opening, plaques and diplomas were awarded to distinguished participants.

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Following the opening, the scientific program began with three sessions. Session 1 was dedicated to the memory of Lecturer Dr. Pharmacist Constantin Iugulescu on the centenary of his birth. Presentations included reflections on his legacy in Bucharest and Iaşi by A.E. Tăerel, E. Stancu, A. Carată, L. Agoroaei, A. Jităreanu, G. Vlăsceanu, and M. Suliman.

Session 2 featured commemorative presentations honoring Dr. Pharmacist Ovidiu Maior (1921–2023), Dr. Pharmacist Szabó Ildikó, and Professor Dr. Iovan Vasile. Additional presentations highlighted the career of Alexandru Iteanu, pharmacist, professor, and politician. Contributors included S. Ionescu, A.-M. Păpureanu, L. Rosenberg, M.B. Pașca, Annamaria Pallag, Daniela Gîtea, Mariana Ganea, and V. Soroceanu.

Session 3 focused on prominent figures in pharmacy, medicine, and chemistry born 100 years ago, the history of postgraduate education in pharmaceutical management in the Republic of Moldova, and a historical overview of Constantin Hepites (1804–1890). Speakers included M.-G. Suliman, G.A. Vlåsceanu, D. Mihåilescu, S. Adauji, V. Safta, V. Buliga, M. Brumårel, A.E. Tåerel, E. Stancu, C. Rais, and V. Soroceanu.

At 18:00, the General Assembly of the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy convened to conclude the day's program.

On Tuesday, June 11, the scientific sessions resumed at the Pullman Hotel. Session 4 opened with a presentation by Dana Baran (Iași) on Prof. Dr. Ioan Enescu and his reflections on the "poisons of intelligence." This was followed by papers on pharmaceutical practice in the Bucharest pharmacy history collection by A.E. Tăerel, an analysis of misce fiat ad lege artis by A. Nica, and a review of pharmacohistorical landmarks in Transylvania by A.M. Atănăsoie, L.M. Stănescu, M. Soporean, and D. Motoc.

Session 5 explored the historical and therapeutic use of medicinal plants, including presentations on dental tartar and ancient phytotherapy by D. Benedec, I. Oniga, and D. Hanganu (Cluj-Napoca), as well as a paper on the transition from traditional to scientific phytotherapy by C.E. Gîrd and colleagues. The session concluded with a multimedia presentation titled Image, Color, Sound by M. and I. Stănescu, which included archival footage of a pharmacy interior from the 1932 film Bucharest Tram Company.

On Wednesday, June 12, the final session took place at the Faculty of Pharmacy and was dedicated to poster presentations. Topics included the history of tobacco consumption methods (A. Jităreanu, I.C. Caba, L. Agoroaei), the historical evolution of metformin (M. Sha'at, A. Bujor, M.I. Crețan Stamate, L. Ochiuz), the development of soap technology (M. Crețan Stamate, A. Bujor, M. Sha'at, C. Gafițanu, L. Ochiuz), and the history of sun protection products (A. Bujor, M. Sha'at, M.I. Stamate (Crețan), C.A. Gafițanu, Prof. Dr. I. Ochiuz).

The program concluded with a visit to the "Zisi St. Fârșirotu" Pharmacy History Collection from 12:00 to 14:00.





At the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, held in Belgrade from September 4 to 7, 2024, members of the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy from several university centers, including Bucharest and Cluj-Napoca, actively contributed to the scientific program.

Professor Adriana Elena Tăerel delivered one of the plenary lectures, titled "Evolutionary Transition of the Pharmacy: Old and New Roles for Public Health," in which she reflected on the shifting professional responsibilities of pharmacists in the context of public health evolution. Lucian Mihai Stănescu gave an oral presentation in French, entitled "Deux documents pharmaceutiques des XVIIIe et XIXe siècles de Roumanie," highlighting two rare pharmaceutical documents from 18th- and 19th-century Romania and their significance for the development of the country's pharmaceutical heritage.



Two posters were also presented by Romanian contributors. Ana-Maria Atănăsoie showcased "The Contribution Brought by the Pharmacist Constantin C. Hepites (1804–1880) to Pharmaceutical Sciences – 162 Years Since the First Romanian Pharmacopoeia," emphasizing Hepites' role in laying the foundations of national pharmaceutical literature. Daniela Benedec presented "Traditions historiques de la pratique pharmaceutique en Transylvanie au début du XXe siècle," focusing on historical practices in Transylvanian pharmacy at the beginning of the 20th century.

During the Congress, the President and the Secretary of the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy awarded medals to three distinguished individuals—Mr. François Ledermann, Mr. Bruno Bonnemain, and Mr. Olivier Lafont—in celebration of the centenary of the Faculty of Pharmacy in Bucharest.

Several local meetings were organized within the sections of the Romanian Society for the History of Pharmacy in 2024. One such meeting was held by the Bucharest section on November 11, 2024, with the participation of both members and students.

The program began with a scientific communications session, featuring the following presentations:



- Victor G. Stephanescu An Exceptional Architect, presented by Ilinca-Ruxandra Ştefănescu-Neagu
- A Brief Introduction to Cyrillic Paleography, by University Assistant Dr. Lucian-Mihai Stănescu
- A Recipe Recommended by Professor Valeriu Lucian Bologa for Collegial Meetings, presented by Pharmacists Maria Soporean and Maria-Gabriela Suliman
- Pharmaceutical Information, by Professor Adriana Elena Tăerel

Following the scientific session, the meeting continued with a moment dedicated to Anniversaries in 2024, honoring members who celebrated milestone birthdays—those turning 80, 85, and 90 years old.



SERBIA – HISTORY OF PHARMACY SECTION OF THE SERBIAN PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY

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Members of the Section for the History of Pharmacy at the Pharmaceutical Associations of Serbia actively participated in numerous scientific conferences both nationally and internationally. They contributed to scholarly publications, promoted the history of pharmacy, and engaged in museum-related activities. The most significant event was the organization and participation in the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, held in Belgrade, Serbia.

The central theme of the congress was "Pharmaceutical Profession and Society: Roots, Development, and Lessons for the Future." Alongside the Section for the History of Pharmacy at the Pharmaceutical Associations of Serbia, the local coorganizer was the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Belgrade.

Members of the organizing committee included: Prof. Dr. Dušanka Krajnović, Jelena Manojlović, PharmD, Spec., Nebojša Jorgovanović, PharmD, Spec., Assoc. Prof. Dr. Andrijana Milošević Georgiev, Mirjana Marković, PharmD, Spec., Jasmina Arsić, PharmD, Spec., Snežana Milivojević, PharmD, and Jelena Matić, PharmD. Many students from the University of Belgrade – Faculty of Pharmacy volunteered to assist, whose help was much appreciated.



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The congress took place from September 4 to 7, 2024, at the Envoy Conference Center in Belgrade, with the opening ceremony held in the magnificent ceremonial hall of the University Rectorate. The scientific program was structured into three parallel sessions over three working days, totaling 12 sessions, and held in English, German, and French. A total of 166 participants (126 international and 40 from Serbia), representing 13 different scientific institutions, attended. (Participants from Rusia and Iran were not able to come although registered with accepted abstracts.)

In total, seven plenary lectures and 82 presentations (56 oral and 26 poster presentations) were delivered. Of these, one plenary lecture and 23 presentations were by Serbian colleagues, while 67 presentations came from international participants. All abstracts were published in the Abstract Book of the 46th ISHP Congress 2024 (Editor: Prof. Dr. Dušanka Krajnović; Technical Assistant: Jelena Milenković, PharmD; ISBN: 978-86-918145-3-3).

Selected full papers were later published in the *Proceedings Book of the 46th ISHP Congress 2024* (Editor: Prof. Dr. Dušanka Krajnović; Technical Assistant: Assist. Prof. Dr. Andrijana Milošević Georgiev; ISBN: 978-86-918145-4-0).





Distinguished scholars in the history of science and pharmacy, and members of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy, served on the scientific committee:

Prof. Dr. Bruno Bonnemain (France), Prof. Dr. Halil Tekiner (Türkiye), Prof. Dr. Christa Kletter (Austria), Prof. Dr. Stuart Anderson (United Kingdom), Prof. Dr. Axel Helmstädter (Germany), Prof. Dr. Anita Magowska (Poland), Prof. Dr. Vilma Gudienė (Lithuania), Prof. Dr. Carlos del Castillo Rodríguez (Spain), Prof. Dr. Adriana Tăerel (Romania), and Serbian members Prof. Dr. Jelena Parojčić, Prof. Dr. Nina Dragićević, and Prof. Dr. Dušanka Krajnović.

One notable event during the congress was the panel discussion titled "History of Pharmacy as an Academic Discipline: Present and Future", moderated by Prof. Dr. Dušanka Krajnović (Serbia). The panelists were: Halil Tekiner (Türkiye), Axel Helmstädter (Germany), Olivier Lafont (France), Stuart Anderson (United Kingdom), Chiara Beatrice Vicentini (Italy), Adriana-Elena Tăerel (Romania), and Vilma Gudienė (Lithuania).

As in previous congresses, the official evening of the International Academy of the History of Pharmacy was held on September 5, 2024. Founded in 1952, the Academy convenes at each ISHP congress to welcome distinguished new members recognized by their peers. On this occasion, Prof. Olivier Lafont delivered an outstanding lecture on the history of pharmacy jars.

The congress also offered international guests the opportunity to explore Serbia's cultural heritage through professionally guided walking tours in the three official congress languages. A gala dinner at the White Palace in Dedinje was hosted by Her Royal Highness Crown Princess Katherine Karadjordjević, who extended a warm welcome to the participants.



A particularly memorable event was the museum exhibition held on September 3 at the Gallery of Science and Technology of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, entitled "I Search for the Beginning, Glow, and Hours Still..." as part of the series "The Greats of Pharmacy." Curated by Jelena Manojlović, PharmD, Spec., the exhibition honored Stevan Jakovljević and Jovan Tucakov, two key figures in the development of pharmaceutical education and public health in Serbia.

Aleksandar Jovanović, a doctoral student, received third prize for his poster presentation titled: "Traditional Use of Medicinal Plants for Urinary Tract Infections in Serbia: A Systematic Review."

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In short, Serbian members of the ISHP were honored to host the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy and extend their sincere gratitude to all participants for their collaboration, presence, and the many positive messages received. Special thanks go to the Ministry of Science, Technological Development and Innovations of the Republic of Serbia for supporting this important and unique event.

In addition to international engagements, members also presented papers at national conferences, including those organized by the Serbian Medical Association, the Section for the History of Medicine, the Lithuanian Society for the History of Pharmacy, and the German Society for the History of Pharmacy. Members also published articles in international journals, as well as popular contributions through the regular column "From the History of Serbian Pharmacy" in the Pharmacy Gazette, the online magazine of the association "Domestic Pharmacists – Pharmacy Network."

Serbian members were actively involved with the Museum for the History of Pharmacy at the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Belgrade. A major achievement in 2024 was the international exhibition hosted by the Faculty of Pharmacy at Université Paris Cité. Curated by Jelena Manojlović, with contributions from colleagues and professors, the exhibition "Serbian Scientists – French Students" opened on May 27, 2024, at the Deccan Salons (Les Salons du Doyen), a prestigious venue at the Université Paris Cité.

The opening was preceded by a symposium titled "Cooperation in Science Without Borders", held in the historic Salle des Actes, dating back to 1777. Topics included Franco-Serbian scientific achievements, cross-border pharmaceutical knowledge exchange, and related themes. The event was inaugurated by Dean Jean Louis Bode and Pavle Zelić, pharmacist at the National Agency for Medicines and Medical Devices. Musical compositions by Stanislav Binički performed during the opening drew particular interest and appreciation.

Lastly, Jasmina Arsić, PharmD, Spec., successfully completed her doctoral studies at the University of Belgrade with a dissertation titled: Analysis of Factors Impacting the Achievement of Goals in the National Medicines Policy, with Special Focus on Medicines Accessibility in Serbia from 1830 to 1941. One of the mentors for this research was Prof. Dr. Dušanka Krajnović, President of the Section for the History of Pharmacy at the Pharmaceutical Associations of Serbia.

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

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The main activities and updates related to the Sociedad de Docentes Universitarios de Historia de la Farmacia de España (SDUHFE) have been regularly disseminated through our website (https://sduhfe.wordpress.com) and its associated Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/SDUHFE). These platforms offer a subscription service that allows followers to stay informed about the Society's developments. Additionally, the "Somos Noticia" ("We Are News") section of the website (https://sduhfe.wordpress.com/category/somos-noticia) gathers the most significant content published throughout 2024. Below is a chronological summary of key news items:

January 15 – VII Conference of SDUHFE (Plentzia, May 9–10, 2025): Second Circular: The second circular for the upcoming VII Conference of our Society, to be held in Plentzia (Vizcaya) on May 9–10, 2025, was released. It includes details regarding registration procedures, abstract submission guidelines, and conference fees. A dedicated platform has also been made available for participants to complete these steps easily.

January 22 – Cecilio Venegas Elected Member of the Academy of Medicine of Extremadura: Our colleague Cecilio Venegas Fito has been elected as a member of the Academia de Medicina de Extremadura. His induction ceremony is scheduled for January 29, 2024, at 18:00, in the Assembly Hall of the Ilustre Colegio Oficial de Médicos de Badajoz (Avenida de Colón, 21, Badajoz). His inaugural lecture, titled "El medicamento y la farmacia a través del NO-DO" (Medicines and Pharmacy through the Lens of NO-DO), will be responded to by Francisco José Vaz Leal. Our warmest congratulations to him.

February 12 – 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy (Belgrade, September 4–7, 2024). Information about the upcoming 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, to be held in Belgrade, Serbia, from September 4 to 7, 2024, has been shared. Full details on the program, registration process, and abstract submission are available through the congress website. As with our own Plentzia Conference, a dedicated widget for this international congress has been permanently placed on the right-hand side of our homepage, along with a tab in the site's main menu for easy access.



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February 19 – The "Farmacéuticos ilustres" Project Presented at the XXIII Congreso Nacional Farmacéutico: The project "Farmacéuticos ilustres", promoted by the Consejo General de Colegios Oficiales de Farmacéuticos in collaboration with our colleague Cecilio Venegas Fito, was presented at the XXIII Congreso Nacional Farmacéutico. This news update provides an overview of the initiative, which aims to highlight prominent historical figures in Spanish pharmacy, as well as information on the Inventario del Patrimonio Histórico Farmacéutico Español (Inventory of Spanish Pharmaceutical Historical Heritage).



February 23 – Scientists of Enlightenment Spain: Conference Series by Fundación Ramón Areces: The Fundación Ramón Areces has launched a new series of conferences titled "Científicos de la España Ilustrada" (Scientists of Enlightenment Spain). The inaugural session will feature two esteemed members of our Society: Francisco Javier Puerto Sarmiento and Antonio González Bueno.



February 28 – Historic Pharmacies and Medicinal Gardens (Rijeka, March 11–12, 2024): The 2nd International Forum of Historic Pharmacies and Medicinal Gardens will take place in Rijeka, Croatia, on March 11–12, 2024.

The event will bring together experts and enthusiasts in the fields of pharmaceutical heritage and medicinal plant traditions for a multidisciplinary exchange of knowledge.

March 4 – 36th International Congress of the Pharmaceutical Society of the Latin Mediterranean (Catania, September 26–28, 2024): The 36th International Congress of the Pharmaceutical Society of the Latin Mediterranean will be held in Catania, Italy, from September 26 to 28, 2024. Full details, including the scientific program, registration information, and abstract submission guidelines, are available on the congress website.

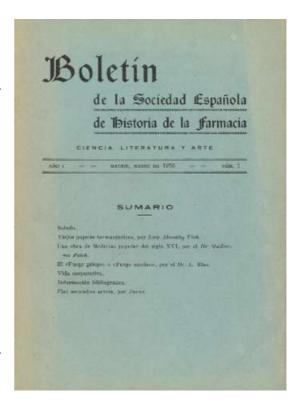
March 12 – The 1978 Constitution: Balance and Perspectives: As part of the 2024 Interacademic Cycle, a conference titled "La Constitución de 1978: balance y perspectivas" is being held, with the participation of the ten Royal Academies of the Institute of Spain.

The Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia will be represented by our colleague Antonio González Bueno, who will deliver a lecture titled "Los medicamentos en el marco constitucional español de 1978" (Medicines in the Context of the 1978 Spanish Constitution). His talk is scheduled for March 20 at the headquarters of the Instituto de España (Calle San Bernardo, 49, 28015 Madrid). Attendance is free and open to the public until full capacity is reached.



March 19 – Digitisation of the Boletín de la Sociedad Española de Historia de la Farmacia (1950–1988): The Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia has announced the completion of the indexing and digitisation of the Boletín de la Sociedad Española de Historia de la Farmacia. This effort covers the entire publication run from its inception in March 1950 to its final issue, number 153, published in March 1988.

As the Academy notes, this project makes "thirty-nine years of studies and research on the history of pharmacy now available online", offering scholars and the general public enhanced access to a vital part of Spain's pharmaceutical historiography.



April 3 – Publication of the ISHP Annual Bulletin (2024): The International Society for the History of Pharmacy—of which the Sociedad de Docentes Universitarios de Historia de la Farmacia de España is an institutional member—has published its 2024 Newsletter. This edition includes a detailed overview of the activities carried out by our Society over the past year.

May 3 – María Dolores Cabezas López Elected Member of the Academia Iberoamericana de Farmacia: Our colleague María Dolores Cabezas López has been elected Corresponding Academician of the Academia Iberoamericana de Farmacia. The official ceremony will be held on May 9 at 12:00 noon, in the Aula Magna of the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Granada. She will deliver a speech titled "Farmacia y Ley a través de la Historia" (Pharmacy and Law Through History), which will be formally answered by Ana Isabel de Moral García. Our warmest congratulations to her on this well-deserved recognition.

May 6 – Lecture by Jesús I. Catalá Gorgues on Cavanilles and Enlightenment Botany: Our colleague Jesús I. Catalá Gorgues will take part in the conference series "Nuestro pasado científico. El siglo de la Ilustración" (Our Scientific Past: The Century of Enlightenment), organized by the Institutional Delegation of the CSIC in the Comunitat Valenciana. His lecture, titled "Cavanilles y la botánica ilustrada" (Cavanilles and Enlightenment Botany), will take place on May 9 at 19:00, at the Casa de la Ciència of the CSIC (Calle Bailía, 1 – Valencia). The event will also be streamed live on YouTube.



May 13 – Lecture by Antonio González Bueno at the Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia: Our colleague Antonio González Bueno will deliver a lecture at the Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia, titled "Botica, boticarios y medicamentos en la obra de Lope de Vega (1562–1635)" (Pharmacies, Pharmacists, and Medicines in the Works of Lope de Vega). The event will take place on Thursday, May 16, 2024, at 19:00, and will be broadcast live on the ranf.tv channel.

May 15 - Lecture by José María de Lorén the Universitat at Autònoma de Barcelona: Our colleague José María de Jaime Lorén will give a lecture titled "Història de l'apicultura española" (History of Spanish Beekeeping) part of the as 5th anniversary celebration of UABee. The event will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., in the Sala Graus of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

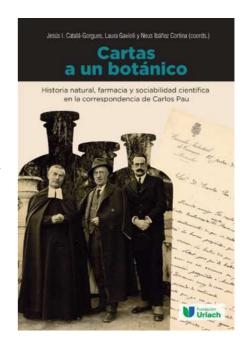


May 24 – Agustín García Asuero Elected Member of the Academia de Ciências Farmacêuticas de Portugal: Our colleague Agustín García Asuero has been elected a member of the Academia de Ciências Farmacêuticas de Portugal, becoming the second Spanish national to be appointed as a corresponding academician of this prestigious institution. We extend our warmest congratulations on this achievement.

May 27 – New Book on Carlos Pau Español: A new volume titled *Cartas a un Botánico*.

Historia natural, farmacia y sociabilidad científica en la correspondencia de Carlos Pau, coordinated by our colleague Jesús I. Catalá-Gorgues together with Laura Gavioli and Neus Ibáñez Cortina, has been published by the Fundación Uriach, with the collaboration of the Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona and the Institut Botànic (CSIC).

This monograph offers a rich exploration of the life and correspondence of the botanist and pharmacist Carlos Pau Español, and includes contributions from several members of our Society:



- Jesús I. Catalá Gorgues, along with the two co-editors, authored the introductory chapter, "Introducción: la puesta en valor de una correspondencia científica", and the closing chapter, "Una red con un nodo rural: circulación de saberes, prácticas, identidades, objetos y sentimientos en la correspondencia de Carlos Pau."
- José María de Jaime Lorén contributed Chapter 3, titled "La farmacia en la correspondencia botánica de Carlos Pau Español."
- Antonio González Bueno, together with Fernando Fernández-Gómez, authored Chapter 5, "Mi estimado maestro...": notas sobre el epistolario entre José Cuatrecasas (1903–1996) y Carlos Pau (1857–1937) conservado en el Institut Botànic de Barcelona."

The book presentation will take place on June 11 at 18:00, in the Sala Salvador of the Institut Botànic de Barcelona (Passeig del Migdia, s/n, Barcelona). The speakers for the event will be Joan Vallès Xirau and José Pardo Tomás.



La botica
de Lope

May 30 – Exhibition: "La Botica de Lope" at the Casa Museo Lope de Vega: The Casa Museo Lope de Vega, managed by the Comunidad de Madrid, is hosting the exhibition "La Botica de Lope", which brings together an exceptional selection of items related to pharmacy and early modern medicine.

The exhibition features pieces from the Museo de la Farmacia Hispana (Faculty of Pharmacy, Complutense University of Madrid), the Historical Drug Collection of the Faculty of Pharmacy (UCM), the Biblioteca Nacional, and the Lázaro Galdiano Library.

The exhibition will be open to the public from May 31 to September 29, 2024, at the Casa Museo Lope de Vega (Calle Cervantes, 11 – Madrid), Tuesday through Sunday, from 10:00 to 18:00. Entry is free of charge. The curators are our colleague Antonio González Bueno and Alejandra Gómez Martín.

June 4 – Book Presentation: "Palacio de los reyes de Navarra. Olite: Exotismo y vanguardia en la corte de Carlos III": The book Palacio de los reyes de Navarra. Olite: Exotismo y vanguardia en la corte de Carlos III, published by Mintzoa, has been officially presented in Pamplona. The volume explores the cultural and scientific life at the court of King Charles III of Navarre.



In the photograph, the authors appear: Aitor Iriarte Cortázar, Mikel Zuza Viniegra, Mikel Ramos Aguirre, Joaquín García Purroy, María Narbona Cárceles, and our colleague Fernando Serrano Larrayoz (second from the left), who contributes chapters on food, astrology, and medicine in the context of the royal court.

June 13 – New Book: Medicamentos, Salud y Sociedad: The book Medicamentos, Salud y Sociedad: Propuestas desde la Historia de la Farmacia (Madrid: Síntesis, 2024), coordinated by our colleagues Antonio González Bueno, Cecilio J. Venegas Fito, Esteban Moreno Toral, and Antonio Ramos Carrillo, has been published. This volume brings together the scholarly contributions presented at the 5th Conference of our Society, held in Guadalupe (Cáceres), offering reflections on the role of medicines and pharmacy in the broader context of health and society.

June 17 – VII Conference in Plentzia (May 9–10, 2025): Third Circular and Accommodation Information: The third circular for the upcoming VII Conference of our Society, to be held in Plentzia (Vizcaya) on May 9–10, 2025, has been released. It includes updated information regarding the program and provides suggestions for accommodation in Plentzia, Sopela, and Barrika.

June 24 – 15th SEHCYT Congress in Gijón (June 18–21, 2025): The Sociedad Española de Historia de las Ciencias y las Técnicas (SEHCYT)—of which several of our members are part—will host its 15th Congress in Gijón, from Wednesday, June 18 to Saturday, June 21, 2025. The first circular for the event has already been published, offering preliminary details for participants.

June 26 – Video Lecture Series: "The Humanisation of Healthcare through History – The Baroque (New Instruments)": The Fundación de Ciencias de la Salud continues its educational initiative on the humanisation of healthcare through history, coordinated by our colleague Francisco Javier Puerto Sarmiento. This series, which has already covered the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, now focuses on the Baroque period. Members of our Society, including Antonio González Bueno and Alberto Gomis, have actively participated.

Among the current broadcasts is a lecture by Francisco Javier Puerto Sarmiento, titled "Características generales de la ciencia durante el barroco." Tomorrow, June 27, our colleague Raúl Rodríguez Nozal will present "La mirada de una Ciencia en Revolución: telescopios, microscopios y observadores de la nueva realidad." The lecture will be streamed live at 10:00 a.m. and can be accessed via the following link: https://fcs.es/humanizacion-sanidad-historia-barroconuevos-instrumentos. The video was recorded in the Microscopes Exhibition Hall of the Real Academia Nacional de Medicina.



July 3 – The Río Hortega Pharmacy (Portillo, Valladolid) Featured in El Norte de Castilla: An article and interview featuring our colleague Carlos San del Río appeared in the newspaper El Norte de Castilla, highlighting the historical significance of the Río Hortega Pharmacy in Portillo (Valladolid), which was inaugurated on September 2, 1918. Authored by Laura Negro, the piece presents the pharmacy as "more than just a simple establishment," describing it as a vital piece of Portillo's history and a preserved testament to early 20th-century healthcare.

The pharmacy remained in operation until 1995, when the family, aiming to preserve it as a future museum, relocated its active operations to a new location. Carlos San del Río explained, "There came a time when it was no longer functional and we had to computerise it, but we didn't want it to lose its charm."

He also noted with pride, "There may be older pharmacies, but I doubt there are more complete ones in terms of tools, stock, and documentation. It has been preserved because it has always remained in the hands of the family." A link to the article (subscriber-only) and an accompanying video featuring Carlos San del Río speaking about this remarkable pharmacy has been shared.

July 24 – Brochure from the Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (France): We are pleased to share the brochure kindly sent by our colleague Bruno Bonnemain, which presents recent activities of the Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (France). It includes details of a new book by Olivier Lafont, published as a special issue of the Revue d'Histoire de la Pharmacie, titled Les Faïences pharmaceutiques à travers quelques collections privées. The publication is available in both French and English and is richly illustrated with colour photographs.

August 3 – Cecilio Venegas Fito Appointed UNESCO International MoW Expert: Our colleague Cecilio Venegas Fito has been appointed as an International Expert for the Memory of the World (MoW) Programme in Latin America and the Caribbean, under the auspices of UNESCO.

According to UNESCO's website, the objectives of the MoW Programme are to: increase public awareness of the importance of documentary heritage; facilitate its preservation, especially in regions affected by conflict or natural disasters; and enable universal access to documentary materials. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Cecilio on this significant international recognition.

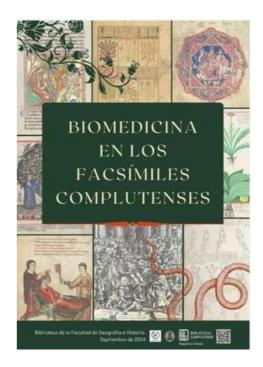
September 10 – The 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy Held in Belgrade: The 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy was held in Belgrade (Serbia) from September 4 to 7, 2024, under the theme "Pharmaceutical Profession and Society: Roots, Development and Lessons for the Future." Several members of our Society actively participated in the scientific program, including Antonio Ramos Carrillo, Esteban Moreno Toral, Cecilio J. Venegas Fito, and Paloma Ruiz Vega—the latter of whom was also admitted as a member of the International Academy of the History of Pharmacy.

Their contributions included chairing sessions, participating in panel discussions, and presenting both oral communications and scientific posters. We thank them for their commitment and for representing our Society at the highest level.

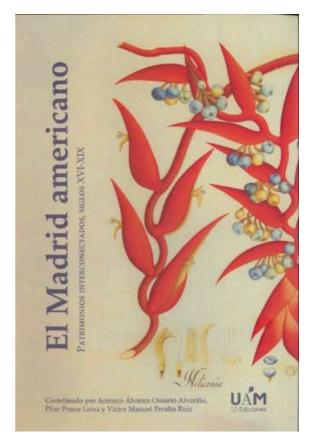


September 12 – Antonio González Bueno Elected President of the International Academy of the History of Pharmacy: We are proud to announce that our President, Antonio González Bueno, has been elected President of the Académie Internationale d'Histoire de la Pharmacie / International Academy of the History of Pharmacy / Internationale Akademie für Geschichte der Pharmazie. Since its founding in the summer of 1952, the Academy has played a key role in fostering international cooperation and promoting scholarly development in the field of pharmaceutical history. Joining him on the newly elected board are Christa Kletter (Austria, First Vice-President), João Rui Pita (Portugal, Second Vice-President), Anita Magowska (Poland, Secretary and Communications Editor), and Bruno Bonnemain (France, Treasurer). This election represents a major recognition of the valuable contributions made by Spanish researchers in the history of pharmacy. Our heartfelt congratulations to Antonio and the entire team.

September 16 - Lecture by Cecilio Venegas at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid: On September 12, our colleague Cecilio Venegas Fito delivered a lecture at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid as part of the series "Biomedicina en los facsímiles complutenses." His presentation, titled "Diez pesos de Naturaleza. El Códice Pomar proveniente de la Expedición Científica de Nueva España," explored the historical and scientific dimensions of the Codex Pomar, a document linked to the Scientific Expedition to New Spain. The event was very well attended, drawing an audience composed of professors, researchers from various disciplines, students, and pharmacists with a shared interest in the intersections of science and the humanities.



September 20 - New Book: El Madrid americano: Patrimonios interconectados, siglos XVI-XIX: The volume El Madrid americano: Patrimonios interconectados, siglos XVI-XIX (Madrid: UAM Ediciones, 2024), coordinated by Antonio Álvarez-Ossorio Alvariño, Pilar Ponce Leiva, and Victor Manuel Peralta Ruiz, has been published. As noted on the cover, the purpose of this work is to illuminate the presence of America in Madrid, exploring its influence on the documentary, cultural, scientific, and natural heritage of the region. This book is the result of the research project America Madrid. **Patrimonios** in interconectados e impacto turístico en la Comunidad de Madrid (AMERMAD) [H2019/HUM-5694], developed within the Programa de Actividades de I+D entre grupos de investigación de la Comunidad de Madrid en Ciencias Sociales y Humanidades and cofinanced by the European Social Fund.



October 9 – Fourth Circular of the VII SDUHFE Conference (Plentzia, May 9–10, 2025): Our colleagues from the Organising Committee of the VII Conference of the Sociedad de Docentes Universitarios de Historia de la Farmacia de España (SDUHFE) have published the fourth circular for the event, which will take place in Plentzia (Vizcaya) on May 9 and 10, 2025. The circular reminds participants that the registration deadline is January 15, 2025, and announces an additional activity currently in preparation. Further details will be made available in upcoming communications.

October 14 – Lecture by José María de Jaime Lorén on Architect Marcos Ibáñez: Our colleague José María de Jaime Lorén recently delivered a lecture on the 18th-century architect Marcos Ibáñez, originally from Odón (Teruel). The event was covered by the Diario de Teruel in its October 12, 2024 edition, highlighting the cultural and historical value of this lesser-known figure in Spanish architectural history.

October 17 – New Publication by Arsenio Ferraces Rodríguez: "Yatromagia Tardoantigua I": Our colleague Arsenio Ferraces Rodríguez has published a new scholarly work titled Yatromagia Tardoantigua I. El capítulo de Homine de Sexto Plácito Papiriense (A Coruña: Universidade da Coruña / Andavira Editora, 2023). This volume offers a critical study of late antique medical magic, focusing on the De Homine chapter from the writings of Sextus Placitus Papyriensis, an important but understudied figure in ancient medical literature.

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October 25 – Antonio González Bueno Appointed "Académico Protector" in Murcia: Our colleague Antonio González Bueno has been appointed Académico Protector of the Academia de Farmacia de Santa María de España de la Región de Murcia, following an extraordinary session held on October 14. The diploma will be formally presented during the Academy's opening ceremony on February 4, 2025.

November 1 – Interview on the Museo de Historia de la Farmacia de Sevilla: Antonio Ramos Carrillo and Rocío Ruiz Altaba were interviewed by Mercedes Díaz Zaldua for the Platino Ulloa website (CRAI Antonio de Ulloa, University of Seville). The discussion focused on the collections and mission of the university's Museum of the History of Pharmacy.

November 5 – Conference on the Medicines of the Magellan and Elcano Expedition: From November 8 to January 7, the Colegio Oficial de Farmacéuticos de Madrid and the Fundación Antezana (Alcalá de Henares) are co-hosting a conference and exhibition on medicines used in the Magellan and Elcano Expedition, featuring lectures and roundtables. The event opens on November 8 at 10:00 a.m.

November 29 – Cecilio Venegas Fito Joins the Real Academia Europea de Doctores: Our colleague Cecilio Venegas Fito, recently honoured with the Outstanding Career Achievement Award by Farmacéuticos Contigo, will be inducted as a Corresponding Member of the Real Academia Europea de Doctores on December 18 at 18:00, at the Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia (Madrid). His lecture, "Dos boticas monacales de los reyes de España: Guadalupe y Yuste," will be answered by Rafael Urrialde de Andrés, and the event will be streamed online.

Ongoing – Museo de la Farmacia Hispana Monthly Newsletters (UCM): The Museo de la Farmacia Hispana (Faculty of Pharmacy, Complutense University of Madrid) continues its monthly newsletters, featuring a "Piece of the Month" section. Highlights from 2024 include a 13th-century stone mortar, a 15th-century albarelo, Robert A. Thom's illustrations of pharmacy history, a feature on the Cluj-Napoca Pharmacy Museum, and objects from the Santo Domingo de Silos and Hospital Tavera pharmacies.

Looking Ahead – VII SDUHFE Conference in Plentzia, May 9–10, 2025: The VII Conference of our Society will be held in Plentzia (Vizcaya) on May 9–10, 2025, structured around three themes:

The origins of the Basque pharmaceutical industry; medicine during the Industrial Revolution in Spain; and the history of contemporary pharmacy.

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

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What had been initiated at the congress in Milan in 2022 came to fruition in Lausanne, Switzerland, between April 12 and 14, 2024: the joint meeting of the pharmaceutical history societies of France and Switzerland. The meeting's theme, Sport and Pharmacy, was inspired by the upcoming Olympic Games to be held in Paris in the summer of 2024. In total, six lectures were delivered on the topic, and the programme also included a visit to the Olympic Museum. The meeting, attended by 45 participants, was meticulously organized by Cécile Raynal and Ursula Hirter-Trüb.

The Lake Geneva region delighted attendees with sunshine, which was particularly appreciated during the excursion to Nyon. There, participants enjoyed the panoramic view of the French Alps from the hilltop castle and had the opportunity to visit the Reber Collection, known for its valuable faience. The joint meeting served to renew and strengthen the friendship between the Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (SHP) and the Société Suisse d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (SGGP).

During the Annual General Meeting held on April 12, 2024, in Lausanne, the statutes of the society were amended to include the possibility of a co-presidency.

The social event on September 21, 2024, brought 22 participants to Porrentruy, where the historic pharmacy of the Hôtel Dieu was visited in the morning. In the afternoon, the group explored the JURASSICA Botanical Garden. Founded in 1833 by the geologist and botanist Jules Thurmann, it is the second botanical garden of its kind in Switzerland, following the establishment of the first in Basel by Caspar Bauhin in 1589.

Today, Porrentruy's garden benefits from numerous private donations, offering a rich collection of plant species—including succulents, orchids, and carnivorous plants—which enhance the Jesuit Park, the greenhouses, and the museum grounds.

For the first time, three master's theses in the history of pharmacy were completed at the University of Bern. This achievement reflects a project initiated by the SGGP Board in 2021, aiming to introduce the history of pharmacy to younger generations of professionals in a meaningful and sustainable way.

The newsletter Novellas, distributed by email, was once again published in February and August. In line with the tradition of multilingualism in Switzerland, it is now partially bilingual in its content.

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Un projet né lors du congrès de Milan en 2022 s'est concrétisé à Lausanne (Suisse) du 12 au 14 avril 2024 : la rencontre des deux sociétés amies d'histoire de la pharmacie, celle de France et celle de Suisse. Le thème retenu s'est inspiré de l'actualité, à savoir la tenue des Jeux Olympiques à Paris à l'été 2024 : Sport et Pharmacie. Six conférences ont été données sur ce thème, et une visite du Musée olympique est venue compléter le programme. Au total, 45 personnes ont participé à cette rencontre, organisée avec un grand soin par Cécile Raynal et Ursula Hirter-Trüb.

La région du lac Léman a charmé les participants par son ensoleillement, d'autant plus apprécié qu'une journée à Nyon était prévue. Depuis le château, perché sur la colline, une vue splendide s'ouvrait sur les Alpes françaises. La visite de la collection Reber, avec ses précieuses faïences, a constitué un autre temps fort. Cette rencontre a permis de renforcer les liens d'amitié entre la Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (SHP) et la Société Suisse d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (SSHP).

Lors de l'Assemblée générale du 12 avril 2024 à Lausanne, une modification importante des statuts a été adoptée, introduisant la possibilité d'une coprésidence.

La rencontre conviviale de cette année s'est tenue à Porrentruy le 21 septembre et a rassemblé 22 participants. La matinée a été consacrée à la visite de la pharmacie historique de l'Hôtel-Dieu, suivie l'après-midi par celle du jardin botanique JURASSICA. Fondé en 1833 par le géologue et botaniste Jules Thurmann, il constitue le deuxième jardin botanique de ce type en Suisse, le premier ayant été créé à Bâle en 1589 par Caspar Bauhin. Enrichi par de nombreux dons privés, le jardin de Porrentruy abrite aujourd'hui une vaste collection de plantes (succulentes, orchidées, plantes carnivores, etc.) qui embellissent le parc des Jésuites, les serres et le parc du musée.

Pour la première fois, trois mémoires de master en histoire de la pharmacie ont été rédigés et soutenus à l'Université de Berne. Ce projet, lancé par le comité de la SSHP en 2021, vise à ancrer durablement l'histoire de la pharmacie dans la formation des jeunes collègues.

Notre bulletin Novellas, envoyé par courriel, a été publié à nouveau en février et en août. Il paraît désormais pour l'essentiel en deux langues, en accord avec la tradition quadrilingue de notre pays.

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(Fotos: Vincent Lieber et Alexia Ryf, Un été sicilien, Nyon 2013)



Was im Jahr 2022 beim Kongress in Mailand angestoßen worden war, wurde vom 12. bis 14. April 2024 in Lausanne (Schweiz) verwirklicht: das Treffen der befreundeten pharmaziehistorischen Gesellschaften Frankreichs und der Schweiz. Das Thema der Veranstaltung – Sport und Pharmazie – knüpfte an die Austragung der Olympischen Spiele im Sommer 2024 in Paris an. Nicht nur wurden sechs Vorträge zu diesem Thema gehalten, auch ein Besuch des Olympischen Museums war Teil des Programms. Insgesamt nahmen 45 Personen an diesem sorgfältig organisierten Treffen teil, das von Cécile Raynal und Ursula Hirter-Trüb mit großer Liebe zum Detail vorbereitet worden war.

Die Genferseeregion verzauberte die Teilnehmenden mit sonnigem Wetter – besonders erfreulich, da ein zusätzlicher Tag in Nyon vorgesehen war. Dort bot das hochgelegene Schloss einen herrlichen Ausblick auf die französischen Alpen. Zudem bestand die Gelegenheit, die Reber-Sammlung mit ihren kostbaren Fayencen zu besichtigen. Das gemeinsame Treffen stärkte die Freundschaft zwischen der Société d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (SHP) und der Société Suisse d'Histoire de la Pharmacie (SGGP) erneut.

An der Generalversammlung vom 12. April 2024 in Lausanne wurden die Statuten angepasst, um künftig auch eine Co-Präsidentschaft zu ermöglichen.

Die diesjährige gesellige Zusammenkunft führte am 21. September 2024 insgesamt 22 Teilnehmende nach Pruntrut. Am Vormittag stand der Besuch der historischen Apotheke des Hôtel-Dieu auf dem Programm, am Nachmittag der Botanische Garten JURASSICA. Dieser wurde 1833 vom Geologen und Botaniker Jules Thurmann gegründet und war der zweite seiner Art in der Schweiz – nach dem ersten Botanischen Garten, der 1589 in Basel von Caspar Bauhin angelegt worden war. Dank zahlreicher privater Schenkungen beherbergt Pruntrut heute eine umfangreiche Pflanzensammlung (Sukkulenten, Orchideen, fleischfressende Pflanzen usw.), die den Jesuitenpark, die Gewächshäuser und den Museumspark bereichert.

Erstmals wurden drei Masterarbeiten zur Pharmaziegeschichte an der Universität Bern verfasst und erfolgreich abgeschlossen. Dieses Projekt war 2021 vom Vorstand der SGGP initiiert worden mit dem Ziel, das Interesse junger Berufskolleginnen und -kollegen an der Pharmaziegeschichte nachhaltig zu fördern.

Der per E-Mail versandte Newsletter Novellas erschien erneut im Februar und August. In Anlehnung an die viersprachige Tradition der Schweiz wird er nun teilweise zweisprachig herausgegeben.

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(Foto: https://www.museumspass.com/de/museen/musee-de-lhotel-dieu)



SGGP Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Geschichte der Pharmazie

SSHP Société suisse d'histoire de la pharmacie

SSSF Società svizzera di storia della farmacia

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TÜRKİYE – TURKISH HISTORY OF PHARMACY RESEARCH GROUP

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The year 2024 was marked by a series of meaningful developments in the field of the history of pharmacy in Turkey. These activities encompassed museum exhibitions, academic contributions, public lectures, and international collaborations, demonstrating the sustained scholarly engagement and cultural relevance of pharmaceutical history across the country.

Museum and Collection Initiatives

Pharmaceutical heritage collections across Turkey, particularly the Pharmacy Museum of Istanbul University Faculty of Pharmacy, attracted considerable interest throughout the year. Under the guidance of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Burcu Şen, the museum hosted numerous visitors, including researchers, students, and the general public, reaffirming its role as a key institution in preserving and promoting the history of pharmacy.

Elsewhere, regional initiatives gained momentum. In recognition of its efforts to establish a local pharmaceutical collection, the Samsun Chamber of Pharmacists was awarded the Golden Mortar Award in December 2024. This distinction acknowledges the Chamber's commitment to safeguarding and presenting pharmaceutical heritage within a regional framework.

National and International Scholarly Participation

In 2024, Turkish scholars continued to make valuable contributions to the international academic community:

- On May 11, 2024, Halil Tekiner delivered an invited lecture in Italian titled "L'eredità italiana nella farmacia turca: una prospettiva storica" at the 73rd National Congress on the History of Pharmacy (73. Congresso Nazionale di Storia della Farmacia) in Pesaro, Italy.
- On May 22, 2024, Tekiner also participated in the séance of the French Society for the History of Pharmacy, held at the Salle des Actes of the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Paris.



Halil Tekiner attended the séance of the French Society for the History of Pharmacy at the Faculty of Pharmacy in Paris on May 22, 2024.

Participation in the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy

The most prominent event of the year was the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, held from September 4–7, 2024, in Belgrade, Serbia. Five Turkish participants took part in the congress, contributing to its scientific programme through oral presentations and posters:

Halil Tekiner presented a paper entitled "The Turkish Physician (1803): A French opera buffa by Nicolò Isouard", and exhibited a poster titled "Historical perspectives on women in Turkish pharmaceutical advertisements (1923–1973)". Burcu Şen gave a presentation on "Two generations in the Pharmacy at the Republican Period in Türkiye: Pharmacist Ahmet Hamdi Emgen and Pharmacist İhsan Emgen (Gezgin)". Notably, the presentation was attended by the daughter of İhsan Emgen Gezgin, who travelled from Turkey for the occasion. Resul Köse and Burcu Şen jointly presented a study on Ethem Pertev, highlighting his contributions as a pharmacist engaged in both health and social services. Osman Ersoy and Burcu Şen co-authored a poster titled "An evaluation on the storage of the drugs and active ingredients in pharmacy laboratories since the Ottoman period." During the General Assembly of the Congress, Halil Tekiner was re-elected President of the International Society for the History of Pharmacy for a second term.





Left: Turkish participants at the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy in Belgrade. Right: Halil Tekiner with singers of the Serbian National Opera following their performance of Haydn's Lo Speziale (The Apothecary).

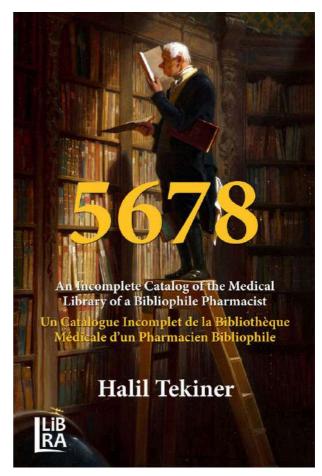
Public Lecture and Community Engagement

As part of broader outreach activities, on October 19, 2024, Halil Tekiner delivered a lecture at the Mardin Chamber of Pharmacists, titled "The History of the Last Hundred Years of Turkish Pharmacy." The event drew attention from regional pharmacists, academics, and local historians, highlighting the enduring relevance of historical perspectives in contemporary pharmaceutical practice.

Selected publications

In 2024, several publications were authored by Turkish researchers, addressing diverse topics from historical pharmacopoeias to interdisciplinary reflections on pharmaceutical culture:

- Şen B. Zwei Generationen in der Pharmazie zur Zeit der Republik in der Türkei: Apotheker Ahmet Hamdi Emgen und Apothekerin İhsan Emgen (Gezgin). In: Book of Proceedings of the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy (Belgrade, 4-7 September 2024). Belgrade: Pharmaceutical Association of Serbia; 2024, p. 161-176.
- Tekiner H. 5678: An Incomplete Catalog of the Medical Library of a Bibliophile Pharmacist / Un Catalogue Incomplet de la Bibliothèque Médicale d'un Pharmacien Bibliophile. Istanbul: Libra Yayınları; 2024. ISBN: 978-625-8472-88-2.
- Tekiner H. A concise history of Italian influences on Turkish pharmacy. Atti e Memorie: Rivista di Storia della Farmacia. 2024;41(2):43–56.
- Tekiner H. Aufruf zum Internationalen Tag der Pharmaziegeschichte. Geschichte der Pharmazie. 2024;76(3):46.
- Tekiner H. International Society for the History of Pharmacy: insights into challenges and opportunities. History of Pharmacy and Pharmaceuticals. 2024;66(1):57–64. DOI: 10.3368.hopp.66.1.57.
- Tekiner H. The Turkish Physician (1803):
 A French opera buffa by Nicolò Isouard.
 In: Book of Proceedings of the 46th
 International Congress for the History of Pharmacy (Belgrade, 4-7 September 2024).
 Belgrade: Pharmaceutical Association of Serbia; 2024, p. 183-187.
- Tsoucalas G., Tekiner H. Georgios Photeinos and his Hellenic Pharmacopoeia (1835) published in Ottoman Smyrna. Pharmazie. 2024;79:258–262.



Tekiner's catalogue documents 5,678 books in 20 languages from his personal library, primarily focused on the history of medical sciences, with a particular emphasis on the history of pharmacy. The volume features a foreword by Bruno Bonnemain, President of the French Academy of Pharmacy, and back-cover endorsements by Prof. Greg Higby (USA) and Prof. Jacalyn Duffin (Canada).

UNITED KINGDOM – BRITISH SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

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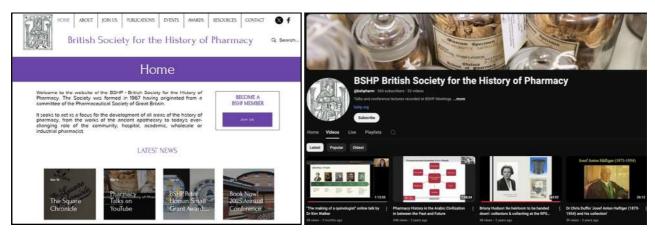
2024 was a year of change for the BSHP, marked by a complete transition in the Society's officers. I succeeded Christopher J. Duffin as President. By way of introduction, I work at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, and have a particular interest in the histories of medicinal plants and colonial botany. Catherine Walker is the new Vice-President; she is Museum Manager at the Royal Pharmaceutical Society's Museum, and her appointment reinforces the long-standing links between the two societies.

During the year, we made preparations to bring the administration of the BSHP in-house. We expect this to release more funds to support our work. Kim Walker led the development of a new website, which was launched in early 2025. We have added many research resources – please do take a look at bshp.org. The year also saw a full programme of activities, described below. In 2025, we plan to review the Society's priority activities for the next five years. These are likely to include support for the creation of educational resources, the digitisation of research materials, and increased collaboration with sister societies.



Chris Duffin (right) passes the President's badge to Mark Nesbitt at the BSHP's 2024 conference in Leeds.

In 2024, we made two awards of the Leslie Matthews Medal, the BSHP's recognition for distinguished scholarly work on the history of pharmacy. One was awarded to Dr Anne Stobart for her work on 17th-century domestic medicine and as the founder of the Herbal History Research Network; the second was awarded to Dr Christopher Duffin, BSHP Past President, for his contributions to the intersection of geology and pharmacy.



Snapshots from the website of the British Society for the History of Pharmacy https://www.bshp.org/

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Two awards were also made from the Peter Homan Small Grants Scheme. One supported a Master's degree research project on "The Transformation of British Pharmaceutical Regulations, 1962–1971" at the University of Cambridge. The other was awarded to the UCL School of Pharmacy Library to support the digitisation of the School's official student publication, The Square Chronicle. This is now available online via archive.org and is a rich source of social and educational history.

The 56th Annual General Meeting of the Society was held on Saturday, 23rd March 2024, at the Thackray Medical Museum, Leeds.

The museum's impressive and extensive displays provided an excellent backdrop to six talks delivered by speakers from five countries:



BSHP member Parmanand Mistry shows the Thackray Museum's apothecary jars to conference attendees.

- Daisy Cunyhame on "Charitable Pharmacy: The Medicines of a Late-Eighteenth Century Scottish Dispensary";
- Chris Duffin on "Obstetric and Gynaecological Stones";
- Maria do Sameiro on "Barroso Metal Piston Syringes: From the Graeco-Roman Authors to Albucasis";
- Jelena Manojilović on "The Elderly Town Pharmacy in Obrenovac and Its Owners";
- Alexandra Stone on "A Social and Spatial History of Pharmacy in Johannesburg, 1894– 1939";
- Kevin Goodman on "The Druggist in the Time of Cholera."

Four online talks were hosted during the year:

- On 20 May, Professor Pablo Gomez presented "Brebajes, Yerbas and Pharmacopoeias: Healing Materiality and the Imagination of the Early Modern Caribbean."
- On 8 July, Dr Chris Duffin spoke about "Geological Drugs and Prophylactics."
- On 7 October, Dr Shahina A. Ghazanfar gave a talk on "History of Medicinal Plants in the Qur'an and Other Religious Texts."
- On 25 November, Dr Kim Walker described "The Making of a Quinologist: The Work of John Eliot Howard."

As always, most talks are still available on our YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/c/BSHPBritishSocietyfortheHistoryofPharmacy. All our Zoom lectures are free to attend, but registration via our website is required – please join us if you can.

The Society was represented at the 46th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy, held in Belgrade in September, by Stuart Anderson. Stuart was honoured there with the award of the Schelenz Plakette by the German Society for the History of Pharmacy, presented at the Ceremonial Meeting of the International Academy for the History of Pharmacy, of which he served as President from 2009 to 2017. BSHP member Patrick Chiu, President of the Hong Kong Society for the History of Pharmacy, was received into the Academy at the same event.

Regarding publications, several books were published by BSHP members during the year. Co-authored with Barbara Böck and Shahina Ghazanfar, my book An Ancient Mesopotamian Herbal was published by Kew Publishing. Stuart Anderson's new book, Pharmacopoeias, Drug Regulation and Empires: Making Medicines Official in Britain's Imperial World, 1618–1968, was published in July. Several members also published articles in Pharmaceutical Historian and other journals throughout the year.

Members received four issues of our in-house newsletter, the BSHP Gazette, along with the *Pharmaceutical Historian*: An *International Journal for the History of Pharmacy*, with four issues of volume 54 published under Stuart Anderson's editorship. Back issues, including some online-only content, are available via Ingenta and the Technische Universität Braunschweig, both linked from our website.

The journal welcomes submissions from authors worldwide. If you are working on a topic in the history of pharmacy that you would like to publish, please consider Pharmaceutical Historian as a potential venue. Instructions for authors are available on the BSHP website.



Snapshots from the website of the British Society for the History of Pharmacy https://www.bshp.org/

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Main Activities

The American Institute of the History of Pharmacy (www.aihp.org) held the 2024 Kremers Seminar in the History of Pharmacy on May 28-31. For 2024, the Kremers Seminar in the History of Pharmacy focused on community pharmacy, looking at it from different perspectives and disciplines, and consisted of four speakers, Prof. Lucas Richert presenting "Contextualizing the Community Pharmacy: Historical Perspectives and Problems in the Present," Dr. Taylor Watterson presenting "A Look Behind the Counter: Examining Community Pharmacist Occupational Fatigue," Dr. Liz Chiarello presenting "Trojan Horse Technologies: How Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs Encourage Pharmacists to Police Patients," and Hannah Rose Swan presenting "Preserving Community Pharmacy History: Institutional and Personal Approaches." The event was free and open to the public, and all of the programs were recorded and placed on our YouTube page for viewing.

AIHP added the U.S. Public Health Service Chief Pharmacist Officers Oral History Project to their website. The series was conceptualized and coordinated by Rear Admiral (Retired) Richard M. Church and Rear Admiral Richard J. Bertin, and AIHP Past-President William A. Zellmer. The need for a project of this nature had been discussed frequently by PHS pharmacy officers (current and retired) who felt regret that more historical information was not readily available on exceptional PHS pharmacist leaders of the past, such as George Archambault (1909-2001) and Allen Brands (1914-1994).

Richard M. Church and Richard J. Bertin, two retired PHS Chief Pharmacist Officers (CPOs), resolved to find a way to create a complete record of the lives and professional careers of all living successors to Archambault and Brands. Chance brought Drs. Church and Bertin into contact with William A. Zellmer, a pharmacist experienced in conducting oral-history interviews. The three of them conceptualized and conducted, during calendar year 2023, a series of comprehensive oral-history interviews of retired CPOs. The collection contains the transcripts of these interviews and are available to the public.

AIHP co-sponsored the Madison Drug History Workshop held October 3-4 at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy. The workshop focused on critical discussions of chemicals, intoxicants, and medicines. The two-day event included a series of panels covering emerging research projects, psychoactive communications, and outreach efforts. This event was led by Prof. Richert's Urdang Lab, with additional support from AIHP and the Alcohol and Drugs History Society.

In October, a members' information and listening session was held to keep members up-to-date on the activities of the institute and to give members a podium to voice opinions, requests, and feedback. In November, the Annual Members Business meeting was held where new board member nominations and proposed by-law changes were proposed. The members were given a two-week window to vote electronically, and the results were reported via email. The membership elected newcomers Susan Cantrell and Ben Urick to the board of directors, and former president John Grabenstein was elected as a board member. Cynthia Boyle was elected as the new AIHP Board of Directors president, and Nancy Alvarez was elected as the vice president. These directors were installed in December of 2024 as directors John Clark and Sandra Fabregas Troche completed their terms of service. AIHP thanks these outgoing directors for their service and dedication to the history of pharmacy.

In December, the Edward Kremers Research Library and Archive Archivist Hannah Swan traveled to Carson City, Nevada, to appraise and acquire archival materials from long-time AIHP member Lila Halpern. Swan collected about half of the archival collection of the Lila and Emmanuel Halpern Collection and will be returning to Nevada to secure the rest of the collection.

In 2024, the Institute published two issues of History of Pharmacy and Pharmaceuticals (Vol. 66, No. 1 & 2) and held a call for papers on the topic of Community Pharmacy. E-Scripts, the institute's newsletter, was published quarterly and reported the ongoing work of the institute.

Kremers Award Conferred

In 2024, AIHP's awards program honored Dr. Zachary Dorner with the 2024 Edward Kremers Award for his book Merchants of Medicines: The Commerce and Coercion of Health in Britian's Long Eighteenth Century (University of Chicago Press, 2020). AIHP awards the Edward Kremers Award biennially to recognize the author(s) of a book, or a series of related articles, published withing the past five years, in the field of the history of pharmacy and pharmaceuticals, that exhibits high standards of scholarship, superior quality, and distinguished merit.

The Edward Kremers Award honors Professor Edward Kremers (1865–1941), a pioneer of pharmacy education in the United States, distinguished historian of pharmacy, and one of AIHP's founders. Dr. Dorner is an Assistant Professor of History at the University of Maryland. A panel of pharmacy and medicine historians selected Dr. Dorner's book from nine nominations received.

At the International Congress for the History of Pharmacy in Belgrade, Dr. Greg Higby represented the American Institute and gave a plenary lecture on pharmacy history teaching. He also presented the George Urdang Medal for 2024 to Dr. Alain Touwaide.

AIHP awards the George Urdang Medal to recognize the lifetime achievements of a person who, over a sustained period, has made important scholarly contributions to the field of the history of pharmacy and pharmaceuticals. The George Udrang Medal is awarded without regard to citizenship or nationality.

The award honors Professor George Urdang (1882-1960), a pioneering historian of pharmacy in Germany and the United States, the founding Director of AIHP, and the founder of the first American graduate program in the history of pharmacy.

Coming in 2025

In January, AIHP and the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy launched the Digital Collections of the Edward Kremers Research Library and Archive (EKRLA). This digital collection reflects a small portion of the archival materials and artifacts of the EKRLA, but new material is added regularly.

The portion of the Lila and Emmanuel Halpern Collection retrieved in December can be viewed on the website. The collection is open to the public for viewing and research, and any questions about items or requests for images can be made to research@aihp.org.

In January, AIHP curator Beth Fisher was appointed assistant director, and digital collections specialist Kristen Huset assumed the role of program manager. These capacity-building appointments reflect the growth that AIHP anticipates in the coming years and are essential to support the capital campaign the Institute is preparing to launch.

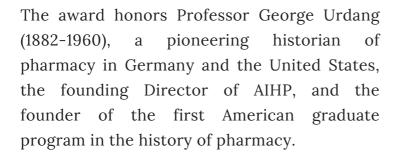


Archivist Hannah Swan processes archival materials to be digitized

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE GEORGE URDANG MEDAL

The American Institute for the History of Pharmacy is now accepting nominations for the George Urdang Medal. The deadline for receipt of nominations is June 1, 2025.

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Nominations for the George Urdang Medal are evaluated and judged by a panel comprised of the Institute's Executive Director and four other distinguished historians of pharmacy and pharmaceuticals selected by the Executive Director and confirmed by AIHP's Board of Directors.



George Urdang (1951)



AIHP expects to announce the recipient of the 2025 George Urdang Medal in the fall. Further information about the George Urdang Medal is available on AIHP's website (https://aihp.org/awards-grants/awards/urdang-medal/).

The mission of the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy is to advance knowledge and understanding of the history of pharmacy and pharmaceuticals.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PHARMACY MUSEUM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BASEL



Conference on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the Pharmacy Museum at the University of Basel

17.-18. October 2025

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PHARMACY MUSEUM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BASEL

Call for Papers - Conference Announcement

100 Years of the Pharmacy Museum at the University of Basel: Collecting Old Things and the Academisation of Modern Pharmacy

17–18 October 2025, University of Basel

On the occasion of the centenary of the Pharmacy Museum at the University of Basel, we invite scholars to contribute to a conference exploring the historical and contemporary significance of collections in the history of pharmacy. Since Josef Anton Häfliger's foundational donation in 1925, the Basel museum has served as a pioneering academic repository for pharmaceutical heritage. This conference seeks to investigate the role such collections have played in the academisation of pharmacy, the formation of disciplinary identity, and their evolving scientific relevance.

Papers may address the origins, structures, and functions of pharmaceutical collections, their intersection with pharmacognosy, and their present-day roles within and beyond university settings. Comparative and interdisciplinary approaches are especially encouraged.

Submissions: Abstracts (300–500 words) and a short CV (max. 150 words)

Deadline: 13 May 2025

Notification of acceptance: End of June 2025

Presentation format: 20-minute papers

Languages: English or German

Send submissions to: susanne.prillwitz@unibas.ch

Organised by the Pharmacy Museum of the University of Basel, this conference offers a timely platform to reflect on collecting practices, academic heritage, and the future of pharmaceutical historiography.

INCOMING EVENTS IN PHARMACEUTICAL HISTORY

- April 5, 2025: Annual Conference of the British Society for the History of Pharmacy 2025.
 Theme: The Interaction Between Pharmacy and Its History with Other Professions and Disciplines. Worcester, United Kingdom.
- April 8, 2025: Pharmacy Fatigue & Burnout Conference. Speaker: Jason Perepelkin.
 Organizer: American Institute of the History of Pharmacy.
- April 9, 2025: Ketamine Therapy & Pharmacy Conference. Speaker: Jason Perepelkin. Organizer: American Institute of the History of Pharmacy.
- April 10, 2025: Centenary of the First Higher Education Diploma in Pharmacy – Annual Conference. Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania.
- **April 25–27**, **2025**: Pharmacy History Biennale. German Society for the History of Pharmacy, Lüneburg, Germany.
- May 16–18, 2025: Italian Congress for the History of Pharmacy. Vercelli, Italy.
- May 24, 2025: The 70th Czech Symposium on the History of Pharmacy. Kuks, Czechia.
- June 29 July 5, 2025: 27th International Congress of History of Science and Technology. Dunedin, New Zealand.
- October 17–19, 2025: 100th Anniversary Event of the Pharmacy Museum. Basel, Switzerland.
- September 2–5, 2026: 47th International Congress for the History of Pharmacy. Innsbruck, Austria.

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