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THE PHARMACEUTICAL COLLECTION OF BRANICEVO DISTRICT PRESERVED IN THE HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION - POZAREVAC PHARMACY

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Data on the pharmacy practice in Branicevo district go back as far as the 18th century, when the first public apothecary shop was opened on April 3rd in 1857 in the city of Pozarevac. This pharmacy is still operating as a modern equipped part of the Pozarevac Pharmacy, but also has a collection of historical objects relating to the profession. The idea of saving what remains of an interesting pharmacy past had arisen at the occasion of the 150th anniversary. While gathering and sorting the collectables from around the district the idea was born to restore and preserve some of the most valuable ones. This pharmaceutical exhibition comprises a limited collection of ceramics, mortars, glasses, scales and other apothecary equipments and a few pieces of original furniture. The most important items are books and hand-written objects (i.e. Manual receptarum from 19th century).

This presentation emphasizes the importance of conservation and maintenance of pharmaceutical antiquities in regional health care institutions and societies in order to keep the awareness of a neglected national pharmacy heritage.