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**MEDICINES AND DRESSINGS PRODUCED BY THE MILITARY
PHARMACEUTICAL LABORATORY AT THE SCHOOL OF PHARMACY OF
SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA (1936-1939)**

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Since middle of the 19th century, in Spain as in the rest of Europe, the magisterial formulae elaborated by the pharmacist were replaced by the new specifics from the new and prosperous pharmaceutical industries. The poor development of the pharmaceutical Spanish industry meant that most of those specifics were imported, mainly from Germany and France. The importations stopped at the beginning of the civil war and the country was divided in two camps, one being republic which included the small number of the Spanish pharmaceutical companies available. As a consequence the rebellious army remained practically out of supplies. The army mobilized all the available resources and transformed the school of Pharmacy of the University of Santiago de Compostela (Spain) into a military pharmaceutical laboratory to produce medicines and dressings for the soldiers. Important research work was carried out at the military pharmaceutical laboratory to develop “copies” of the foreign patent medicines.

Within this work we focus on the medicines and sanitary products produced by the military laboratory to analyze their composition and utility.