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ORDINANCES OF THE PHARMACIST OF SEVILLE IN THE MODERN AGE

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The objective of this paper is the study of the ordinances issued by the city of Seville to regulate the profession of chemists: in 1591, 1625 and 1744. Despite the existence of the Protomedicato at the time in Spain, there were such cities as Seville where the authorities of the "cabildo" (council) kept controlling pharmacies, due to delegation of authority and also by own initiative.

In 1591 three requirements are set in order to become a chemist: academic qualifications, possessing more than 500 ducados, and a set of moral demands. And it also included the visit of the members and the sanctions provided.

the ecclesiastical ordinances of 1625 created an institution called the Colegio Boticarios de San José of Seville, whose members had to swear the Mystery of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Finally, in this research paper we have studied the ordinances of 1744, the most extensive, whose text consisted on 41 chapters with numerous issues. The most significant: of them concerns a suitable governmental structure; the second one deals with rights and obligations, and the third one, bears on the attempt of limiting the number of pharmacies.