

**MUSEUM OF HISTORY OF PHARMACY OF UKRAINE:
ROLE AND MEANING IN THE SYSTEM
OF PHARMACEUTICAL EDUCATION**

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The National University of Pharmacy is the center of pharmaceutical education in Ukraine. Improvement of forms and methods of pharmacy specialists' preparation occurs constantly. Museum of history of pharmacy of NUPh plays an important role in the process of preparation of specialists of pharmacy. The decision of founding of the museum was taken at the VI National Congress of Pharmacists of Ukraine in 2005. The museum was opened on 15, September 2010. Funds of museum of history of pharmacy enumerate more than one thousand exhibits.

The museum consists of two exposition halls which present history of pharmacy, history of pharmaceutical education, periods of formation and development of NUPh. There are lectures, practice classes, scientific seminars and presentations of new scientific investigations of the history of pharmacy sphere organized by the departments of NUPh.

The museum plays an important role in career guidance. Applicants visit the museum during the public days of NUPh. The most valuable exhibits are: Pharmacopeia in German with handmade colored illustrations published in 1890, laboratory medical utensils of late XIX century, exhibits of Kharkiv Emperor's University collection of plants late of XIX century, the first rector professor M. Valyashko's weigh scales of XIX century, personal record of professor M. Valyashko. Renewing of funds and exhibitions with the help of scientists of NUPh occurs regularly. The outstanding NUPh scientists' biography fund is creating; thematic expositions devoted to professor M. Valyashko, professor D. Salo and other take place in the museum. Photo archive of NUPh which contents the materials about history of pharmacy and history of NUPh is being collecting at the museum.