BEGINNINGS OF THE UNIVERSITY TEACHING OF HISTORY OF PHARMACY IN FORMER CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

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The first steps of the university teaching of History of Pharmacy on the territory of the former Czechoslovakia were taken during World War II, when Czechoslovakia was disintegrated into Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia and Slovak State. At the German Charles University in Prague and the Slovak University (today’s Comenius University) in Bratislava was History of Pharmacy incorporated into Pharmacy study curricula.

After World War II at the Charles University in Prague was as the lecturer of History of Pharmacy established J. Hladik, who also founded a pharmaceutical-historical collection designed for educational purposes. After cancellation of Pharmacy study in Prague this collection was moved to Brno, where in 1952 the Faculty of Pharmacy was founded. Later the Department of History of Pharmacy was established at both Czechoslovak Faculties of Pharmacy at that time, Brno and Bratislava, and History of Pharmacy became a compulsory subject. The first textbook on History of Pharmacy of authors R. Fundarek and V. Rusek was issued in 1960 in Bratislava."