

DCSA

Sites of Chemistry 1600-2000

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The project gathers historians of various institutions: Universities of Alicante, Bologna, Maastricht, Oxford Brookes, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Museo Galileo, Florence

<http://www.sitesofchemistry.org>



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Objectives

The project (2010-2015) aims at studying a wide range of chemical sites, contexts, practices, people and purposes:

1. Education and culture
2. Medicine
3. Industry, commerce and agriculture
4. Politics, administration and justice
5. Military



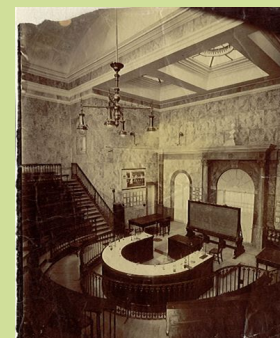
Methodology

Investigation will focus on:

-who was practicing chemistry, where, how, to what ends, and the physical, social, cultural and economic organization of these sites

-the wider social, economic, political and cultural contexts for the practice of chemistry through detailed examination of chemists' interactions, in and around these sites, and with other actors

- the laboratory as a space: location, physical structure and design, equipment, social organization, research schools, practices and cultures



Expected Results

Selected papers from each of the five annual conferences organized by the project will be published as special issues of the journal *Ambix*; others may be considered for publication in *Nuncius*

At the end of the project a collection of commissioned essays exploring developments over the long-term and in geographical breadth will be published as *Places and Spaces: Historical Perspectives on the Practice of Chemistry*

Papers on chemistry and medicine will be published as *Chemical Spaces and Medical Practices, 1600-2000*



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