

## SUMMARY

### POSITION OF THE PHARMACIST IN THE HISTORY

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**Background:** To write this thesis made me today 's underestimating of the pharmacist profession.

**Aim:** To find out the changing position of the pharmacist in the course of time.

**Methods:** Studying of historical books and materials, literature handling.

**Results:** The thesis pointed out the difficulty of the pharmacist position's research. Some of the conclusions are historically provable, but some of them we can just guess. Historically provable is the comparison of the studies of medics, from which is resulting, that the pharmacist has been for centuries just a skilled craftsman in comparison with the well-educated doctor. The difference in education led to the subordination of the pharmacist to the doctor, which was accompanied by the distrust in pharmacist abilities and knowledges. We can also support the position inequity by ethical and professional standards of different periods. The position of doctor and pharmacist was also different in military's profession. On the other hand, prestige and social status were high in the time of pharmacy differentiation. They were always connected with his activity, when people - patients saw the working pharmacist and they could see the heftiness of his work, they respected him. One aspect of the professional activity is disappearing with falling IVLP and is not replaced by another (to gain the prestige), that is the demonstration of qualification in informative and consulting activity.

**Conclusions:** In the course of history the position of the pharmacist has changed, whereas each stage of development of pharmacy and society brought different status and prestige of the pharmacist.