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Conference organised within the project "MAT-MED in Transit. *The Transforming Knowledge of Healing Plants*" (PI Sabrina Minuzzi). This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie grant agreement No. 838675. The conference closes a two-months exhibition organised by the PI, Giardini e virtù medicinali, salute e bellezza tra passato e presente | Gardens and Medicinal Virtues, Health and Beauty between Past and Present.



MATERIA MEDICA AND BOOKS, HEALTH AND BEAUTY IN THE EARLY MODERN AGE

MATERIA MEDICA
E LIBRI, SALUTE E
BELLEZZA NELLA
PRIMA ETÀ MODERNA

International Conference

29-31 marzo 2023

Sale Monumentali della
Biblioteca Nazionale Marciana



Wednesday 29 March 2023

h. 14.00-17.30

Greetings and opening remarks by
Stefano Campagnolo, Direttore della Biblioteca

Nazionale Marciana

Dario Pellizzon, Direttore Area Ricerca e Sistema
Bibliotecario di Ateneo, Ca' Foscari

Mario Po', Direttore del Polo museale e culturale della
Scuola Grande di San Marco

Materia medica: Uses and Actors, Coexistence and Discontinuity

Sabrina Minuzzi (Ca' Foscari), Short introduction to
the conference

14.45-15.05: **Harold J. Cook** (Brown University,
Providence), 'Building Common Identities: Botany and
Pride of Place in the *Hortus Malabaricus*'

15.10-15.30: **Florike Egmond** (Leiden University),
'For body, mind and soul: early modern private plant
collections between medicine, natural science and
pleasure'

15.35-15.55: Coffee break

16.00-16.20: **Sharon Strocchia** (Emory University,
Atlanta), 'Fare la prova: Testing New World Botanicals in
Late Renaissance Italy'

16.55-17.00: **Sandra Cavallo** (Royal Holloway, London),
'"Those drugs that everybody calls, for no reason,
specific remedies". The place of *materia medica* in
early-modern medical treatment'

17.05-17.25: **David Gentilcore** (Ca' Foscari), 'The
science and health of water: water as *materia medica*'
(<https://pric.unive.it/projects/water-cultures/home>)



Thursday 30 March 2023

h. 9.00-12.30

Books and Texts, Materia medica and the Digital Humanities

9.00-9.40: **Elisa Andretta** (CNRS, LARHRA, Lyon),
José Pardo Tomás (CNRS, Barcelona), *La ricezione di
Dioscoride: un libro-laboratorio*

9.45-10.25: **Mario Infelise** (Ca' Foscari), **Cristina
Dondi** (Oxford University): 'The balanced use of Digital
in research projects and their dissemination'

10.30-10.50: **Elli Mylonas** (Center for Digital
Scholarship, Brown University) 'Digital *Materia Medica*:
A Simple Approach'

10.50-11.10 Coffee break

11.15-11.35: **Sabrina Minuzzi**, 'MAT-MED in Transit: an
overview'

11.40-12.00: **Simona Tardi, María Luisa Vázquez
de Agredos Pascual, Cristina Expósito de Vicente**
(Universitat de València), 'The European Route of
Historical Pharmacies and Medicinal Gardens: *la rete
italiana e Santa Maria della Scala*'

12.05-12.25: **Alain Touwaide** (Institute for the
Preservation of Medical Traditions), 'Mediterranean
Pharmacopoeia. A Comprehensive Database across
the Disciplines'



Thursday 30 March 2023

h. 14.00-17.30

Innovation in the Wake of Tradition: Health and Beauty for the future

14.00-14.40: **ABOCA research team**, *Dallo studio
della materia medica al prodotto sostenibile: come e
perché*

14.45-15.05: **Leonardo Punzi** (Direttore dell'Istituto
di Storico della Reumatologia): *Le piante come
risorsa medicinale oggi. Analisi biochimiche, circoli
virtuosi e circoli viziosi. L'esempio della colchicina*

15.10-15.30 Coffee break

15.35-15.55: **Siân Bowen** (Arts University
Bournemouth and Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew),
'After *Hortus Malabaricus*: Sensing and Presencing
Rare and Vulnerable Plants'

16.00-16.20: **Lamberto Bernardini** (imprenditore
e collezionista), *1603-2023: dall'Archivio di Stato
di Orvieto all'Amaro Orvietan. L'esperienza di un
imprenditore*

16.30-17.15: **Music among flowers and leaves
(Tiziana Tornari Ensemble Whatsharp)**

Themed concert realised thanks to the generous
contribution of the Cultural Association 'Savio
Benefator' In memory of Siblings Cesare and Bice
Vivante

Friday 31 March 2023

h. 10.00

**Guided tour of the former garden of Lorenzo
Patarol** by **Mariagrazia Dammicco**, President of the
Wigwam Club Giardini Storici Venezia

