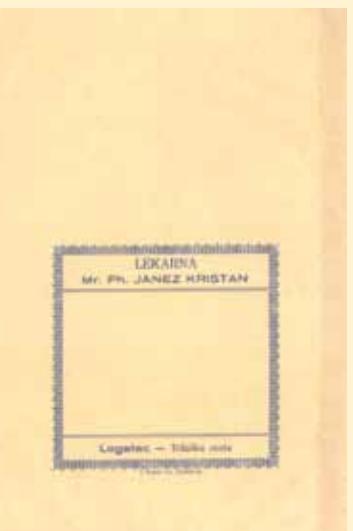




»Hišne specialitete« logaške lekarne

Včasih so večino zdravil izdelali v lekarni. Vsaka lekarna ima nekaj čisto svojega in tudi logaška lekarna je imela polno »hišnih specialitet«:

- Lotion proti osivitvi las (v črni barvi) je bil za tiste čase zelo slaven. Uporabljali so ga tudi zdravniki. Pravih barv za lase še ni bilo in tako je bilo po tem losijonu veliko povpraševanje.
- Pro lingua infantibus - je bil posip za gobice na ježičku dojenčkov. Mamice so v ta prašek pomočile dudko in to dale otroku v usta.
- Zoper paradontozo (proti krvavečim dlesnim) je obstajalo zelo uspešno zdravilo, sestavljeno iz več tinktur ter istočasnim uživanjem vitamina C.
- Mazilo zoper močno razpokano dojko pri dojenju.
- Steklena voda - za vlaganje jajc.
- Prašek proti krvomočnosti rogate živine, (»če krava kri ščije«).
- Za pomirjenje živali (npr. za svinjo, kadar ima mlade, »če svinja rohni« - svinje so kmalu po kotitvi rade postale vznemirjene in so lahko celo poškodovale komaj rojene pujiske).
- Krčne kapljice zoper želodčni krč: (za stare ljudi).
- Santonin praški zoper glistavost.
- Tincturo salutis (stomachica) ali Marijaceljske kapljice: prav signatura za te kapljice se je ohranila iz časa, ko je prva logaška lekarna poslovala še pri železniški postaji.
- Konjski fluid ali konjski cvet (zoper revmo pri živini).
- Zoper kraste v ušesih - za zajčke.
- Unguentum ad decubitum - zoper preležanine.
- Tinctura ferri aromatica - »železnato vino« - za slabokrvne.
- Antidiabetični čaj – daleč naokrog zelo znan in priljubljen.
- Tinctura antiodontalgica - zobne kapljice, proti bolečinam v zobe.
- Balsam Vitae Hoffmanni ali Mixtura oleosa balsamica – za masažo.
- Mentholum Valerianicum = Validol – za pomirjenje.
- Pulvis Doweri - proti kašlju.
- Pulvis contra tussim equum – proti konjskemu kašlju.
- Unguentum praegense - praška pasta za dojenčkovo ritko.
- Unguentum ad perniones - zoper ozeblbine.
- Saponimentum Glyceroli – za nego rok.
- Unguentum emolliens – hladilno mazilo.
- Cantharidis pulvis - »španske muhe« - zdravilo za »pojanje živali« (afrodisiak za živali).
- Dekokt radix Valerianae z dodatki barbituratov – za pomirjanje (z vrelo vodo prelite baldrijanove koreninice).
- Infuzum radix Ipecacuanhae – zoper kašelj.
- Yohimbina pulvis – afrodisiak.



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Lekarna Logatec – prva lekarna v Logatcu

Leta 1928 je Janez Kristan, magister farmacije (mr. ph.), v Logatecu odprl prvo lekarno, ki je delovala do nacionalizacije leta 1949. Takrat je iz zasebne prešla v državno lastnino, njen bivši lastnik pa je v njej od takrat dalje delal kot državni uslužbenec.

V zgodovini lekarne so pomembni štirje mejniki

- leto 1928: ustanovitev zasebne lekarne mr. ph. Janeza Kristana,
- leto 1949: lekarna postane samostojni zavod (Lekarna Logatec),
- od 1. januarja 1968 posluje kot Lekarna Vrhnika, d. e. Logatec (Zakon o organizaciji zdravstvene službe v SR Sloveniji uvede sklep, po katerem je prenehala delovati Lekarna Logatec kot samostojni zavod in se je skupaj s Cerknico pripojila k Vrhniku, v sklop katere je že prej sodila tudi lekarniška postaja Borovnica),
- od 1. aprila 1983 se Lekarna Vrhnika z vsemi enotami združi v zavod Lekarna Ljubljana.

Lokacija

Sprva je lekarna delovala poleg železniške postaje, v Serinijevi hiši, »pri Krištofu«, leta 1939 pa se je preselila na novo lokacijo med Tržaško cesto in Tovarniško ulico, v novo hišo Janeza Kristana v Dolnjem Logatcu št. 181. V Kristanovi hiši, eni najlepših v Logatcu, je bilo lekarni namenjenih 96 m² površine. Nad vhodom in izložbenim oknom je visel napis LEKARNA.

V pritličju so bili prostori namenjeni lekarniški dejavnosti, v prvem nadstropju je bilo stanovanje Kristanovih, v mansardi pa del prirejen kot sobica »za posle«. Ljudje so v lekarno vstopali skozi vetrolov, najprej v oficino, opremljeno z lepim, črno poliranim pohištvtom iz hrastovega lesa. Na sredini polic oficine je bila v črno ploskev vložena ura, ki jo je ovijala iz svetlejšega lesa izrezljana kača. Police so segale skoraj do stropa, za jemanje stojnic iz zgornje vrste so si zaposleni pomagali s prenosno pručko z držalom. Vogalni del polic je imel simetrično, na obeh straneh vgrajeni omarici z brušenimi stekli na vratih. Tu so bile shranjene substance, ki so spadale med separanda – zdravila, hranjena ločeno od ostalih zdravil. V desni omarici je bila znotraj separande vgrajena še ena omarica, posebej zavarovana z dodatnim zaklepanjem, kjer so bila shranjena claudenda - zdravila, ki se hranijo pod dvojnim ključem. Ti dve omari sta danes ohranjeni in predstavljeni v posebni sobi logaške lekarne.

28. novembra 1972 so lekarno zopet preselili, takrat v prostore novega Zdravstvenega doma Logatec na Notranjski cesti 2. Lekarna je dobila 129 m² neopremljenega prostora. V nove prostore so preselili tudi »oficino«,



črno pohištvo so razporedili ob dveh stenah in ga na novo prepleskali. Na slovesnosti ob odprtju novih prostorov je trak častno prerezl nestor logaške farmacije Janez Kristan.

Predmeti lekarniške zbirke

V lekarniški zbirki mr. ph. Janeza Kristana je evidentiranih 479 predmetov kulturne dediščine in sicer: notranja lekarniška oprema (dve črno polirani omari iz hrastovega lesa iz nekdanje lekarniške »oficine« - prodajnega prostora), drobni inventar – lekarniško posodje (predvsem lesene, steklene in porcelanske stojnice, menzure, različne patene in embalaža, lončki, stekleničke s kapalkami, lonček za praške), lekarniško »orodje« (sterilizator, različne spatule, žličke, pestili (bati), injekcija, trinožnik, preša, različne tehtnice z utežmi, nosilec pri gorilniku, stojalo, električni grelec, »mašina« za izdelavo svečk, buziljka, uporabljena v veterini, lesena deska, pilularka) in drugo (dopršje dekana zagrebške farmacevtske fakultete dr. Domaca, večja količina nalepk za stojnice različnih dimenzij).

Glavnina predmetov so lekarniške stojnice (»štangefes«, iz nem.). Porcelanske stojnice so uporabljali za mazila, steklene za tekočine, lesene pa za trdne ali poltrdne snovi. Vseh stojnic je 384. Številnejše so tudi stekleničke s kapalkami, ki jih je kar 19 in so različnih velikosti. Ostalih predmetov je bistveno manj, do pet primerkov, izjema so nalepke za stojnice različnih dimenzij, barv in oblik, ki jih je skupaj 425.

Zbirko pa zaključujejo tri enciklopedije Meyers Encyklopädische Werke - izdane na Dunaju 1899, ki jih je mr. ph. Janez Kristan poklonil dolnjelogaški šoli z lastnoročno napisanim posvetilom in štampiljko Lekarne Logatec: »Poklanjam Dol. logaški šoli Mr. Kristan, dne 3. 11. 1933«. V šolski knjižnici so dragocene enciklopedije hranili kar 76 let in jih 2009 izročili Tilki Jerič, ki je z njimi lekarniški zbirko zaokrožila z veliko dodano vrednostjo.

Janez Kristan, magister farmacije - ustanovitelj in lastnik prve lekárne v Logatcu

Prvi logaški lekarnar, mr. ph. Janez Kristan, se je rodil 4. januarja 1894 v Mengšu, umrl je 28. januarja 1975, pokopan pa je na ljubljanskih Žalah. Leta 1919 se je vrnil iz ujetništva v Italiji in se odločil za študij farmacije v Zagrebu. Prvo pripravniško delo je še kot študent leta 1919 opravil v Ljubljani, takoj zatem se je zaposlil pri dr. R. Karbi v Kamniku, kjer je ostal leto dni. Še pred tirocinjem (praktičnim izpitom za farmacevta, ki so ga študenti opravljali še v času študija) je polovico leta delal v vojaški lekarni »Districamento per gli ufficiali preg. di guerra Castello Baja pri Napoliju«. Še kot študent je kasneje delal pri Šavniku v Kranju, Prohazki v Ljubljani ter dva meseca pri Brilliju v Litiji. Študij v Zagrebu je z magisterijem zaključil 22. julija 1922. Po zaključenem študiju se

je zaposlil v lekarni Sušnik v Ljubljani. Leta 1927 mu je tedanja lekarniška zbornica podelila koncesijo in naslednje leto je v Logatcu, »pri Krištofu« ob železniški postaji, odprl prvo lekarno v Logatcu. Med vojno je ogromno pomagal partizanom, ne le z zdravili, temveč tudi z živili. Po vojni je bil dolga leta član občinskega odbora in dejaven na širšem družbenem področju.

O mr. ph. Janezu Kristanu iz prve roke

»Logačani se ga spominjamo kot uglednega "gospoda magistra", socialno usmerjenega človeka, ki je bil vedno pripravljen pomagati revežu - delavcu. Kot farmacevt je "veliko dal" na svoj poklic. Skrbno je sledil vsemu, kar se je novega dogajalo v stroki doma, pa tudi v svetu.

Bil je odličen strokovnjak in nesebičen mentor. Njegova široka razgledanost in bogato strokovno poznvanje magistralne recepture ter še posebej perfektno poznavanje veterine, so bile odlike, ki se jih še danes marsikateri Logačan rad spominja. Vsak problem je reševal vestno in natančno. Rad je botaniziral, saj je ljubil naravo in planine. Bil je vesele narave, duhovit in socialno čuteč. Nemalokrat starejši ljudje še danes povedo, da so pri njem dobili včasih zdravilo tudi zastonj. Ljudem je bil na razpolago 24 ur na dan.

Razstavljena stara lekarniška oprema iz njegove lekarne je priča tistega časa in dela magistra Kristana, ko je bila večina zdravil izdelana še na osnovi magistralne recepture in je bilo v lekarni še veliko romantike.

Lekarna je imela zaradi lastnika, magistra Kristana, svojo dušo in da bi se mu za njegovo lekarniško nestorstvo lahko vsaj malo oddolžili, bomo ohranili ta del lekarniške preteklosti v njegov spomin.«

Tilka Jerič, mag. farm. (upravnica Lekarne Logatec v letih od 1963 do 1994)

Zanimivosti

Veterina – V lekarni so včasih dali veliko poudarka na veterino. Vsak tretji obiskovalec je spraševal po zdravilih za živali. Kmet je samo opisal simptome svoje bolne krave in mr. ph. Kristan je že mešal zdravila zanjo.

Stalna pripravljenost – Lekarnarji so morali biti, za razliko od mnogih drugih poklicev, dolga leta v stalni pripravljenosti, kar je bila za normalno družinsko življenje »prava groza«.

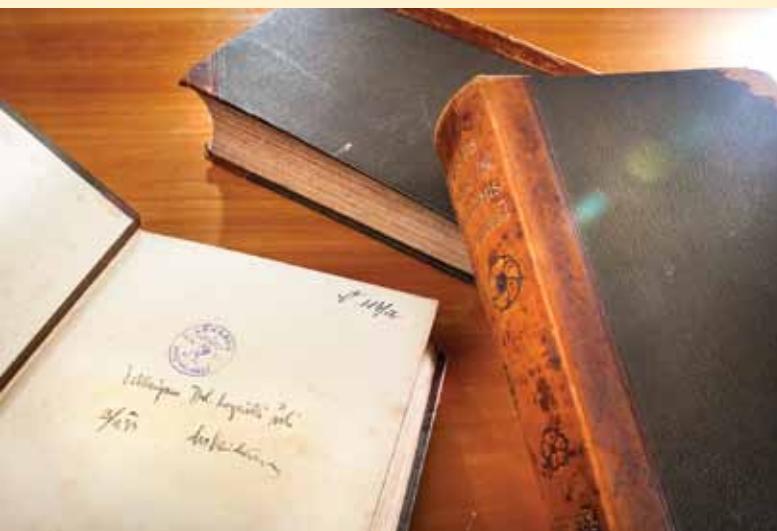
Lekarna, ki zna prisluhniti – lekarna so ljudje – V logaški lekarni so vedno pazili, da je v lekarni vladalo toplo vzdušje, da je človek takoj začutil, da lahko uslužbenec zaupa. Ko se je zaupal, je iz lekarne odhajal že na pol zdrav, še preden je zdravilo sploh zaužil.



"House specialities" of the Logatec Pharmacy

In the past, most medications were prepared in pharmacies. Every pharmacy had its own specialities and the Logatec Pharmacy was no exception:

- The pharmacy's lotion to combat grey hair (in black) was renowned in its time. It was even used by physicians. The hair dyes that we know and use today had not yet been invented, so this lotion was in great demand.
- Pro lingua infantibus – a powder to eliminate tongue fungus in infants. Mothers would apply the powder to a pacifier and give it to the baby to suck on.
- The pharmacy sold a very successful remedy for periodontitis (bleeding gums); it was composed of a combination of tinctures and vitamin C therapy.
- Ointment for very dry and chapped breasts for breast-feeding mothers.
- "Glass water" – for pickling eggs.
- A powder remedy for hematuria in cattle ("if a cow urinates blood").
- Sedative substances for animals (e.g. for a sow with piglets, "if the sow is roaring" – soon after giving birth, sows tend to get irritated and may even harm the newborn piglets).
- Cramp drops to soothe stomach cramps (for the elderly).
- Santonin powders to treat intestinal worms.
- Tincturo salutis (stomachica) or Marijaceljske drops: the signature for these drops has been preserved from the time when Logatec's first pharmacy was located next to the railway station.
- Horse fluid or horse flower (to treat rheumatic conditions in cattle).
- Remedy for ear scabs (for rabbits).
- Unguentum ad decubitum – to treat bed sores.
- Tinctura ferri aromatica – "iron wine" – to treat anaemia.
- Anti-diabetic tea – a famous and popular remedy.
- Tinctura antiodontalgica – tooth drops to alleviate toothache.
- Balsam Vitae Hoffmanni or Mixtura oleosa balsamica – for massage.
- Mentholum Valerianicum = Validol – a sedative.
- Pulvis Doweri – a cough remedy.
- Pulvis contra tussim equum – a horse cough remedy.
- Unguentum praegense – baby bottom ointment from Prague.
- Unguentum ad perniones – chilblain ointment.
- Saponimentum Glyceroli – for hand care.
- Unguentum emolliens – cooling ointment.
- Cantharidis pulvis – "Spanish fly" – an aphrodisiac for animals.
- Dekokt radix Valerianae with added barbiturates – a sedative (valerian roots soaked in boiling water).
- Infuzum radix Ipecacuanhae – cough remedy.
- Yohimbina pulvis – an aphrodisiac.



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The First Pharmacy in Logatec –The history of the Logatec Pharmacy

In 1928, Janez Kristan, Master of Pharmacy (MPharm), established Logatec's first pharmacy, which continued to operate up to the nationalisation in 1949. The privately owned pharmacy then came into public ownership and its former owner became a civil servant.

There are four important milestones in the history of the Logatec Pharmacy

- 1928: Janez Kristan, MPharm, establishes a private pharmacy,
- 1949: the pharmacy is transformed into an independent establishment (Logatec Pharmacy),
- after 1 January 1968, the pharmacy begins operating as the Vrhnička Pharmacy, Logatec Unit (under the Organisation of Health Care Services Act in the then-Socialist Republic of Slovenia, the decision was adopted to terminate the Logatec Pharmacy as an independent establishment; the Logatec and Cerknica pharmacies along with the Borovnica pharmacy became units of the Vrhnička Pharmacy),
- after 1 April 1983, the Vrhnička Pharmacy and its units became a part of the Ljubljana Pharmacy institute.

Location

The pharmacy was originally based in close proximity to the railway station, in the Serini building, which was known locally as "Pri Krištofu" (At Krištof's). In 1939, the pharmacy moved to a new location between the Tržaška cesta road and Tovarniška ulica street, into Janez Kristan's new house at Dolnji Logatec 181. In the Kristan house, known as one of Logatec's most beautiful buildings, 96 m² was set aside for the pharmacy. A PHARMACY sign was displayed above the entrance and shop window.

The ground floor was used for the pharmacy and related activities, the Kristan family lived on the first floor and the garret was used as a "business cabinet". The pharmacy could be accessed from a small vestibule that led into the shop room, furnished with magnificent black, polished oak furniture. The pharmacy shelves were dominated by a clock inserted in a black panel. A snake, carved in a lighter shade of wood, coiled itself around the clock face. The shelves reached virtually all the way to the ceiling, necessitating the use of a portable footstool with handles. Two symmetrical cabinets with cut glass doors were built into each side of one corner. These cabinets held separanda, substances that were to be stored separately from other medications. A smaller box built into the cabinet on the right side and protected with an additional lock, was used to store claudenda, substances to be held under double lock and key. Both cabinets have been preserved until the present day and are displayed in a special room in the Logatec Pharmacy.

On 28 November 1972, the pharmacy was moved again, this time to the premises of the new Logatec Medical Centre at Notranjska cesta 2, where a total of 129 m² of unfurnished surface was set aside for it. The old black pharmacy furniture was brought into the new premises, given a fresh coat of paint and placed along two of the walls. At the opening ceremony of the new premises, the ribbon was cut by the doyen of the Logatec pharmacy, Janez Kristan.



Items in the pharmacy collection

The Janez Kristan, MPharm, pharmacy collection comprises 479 cultural heritage items, namely: pharmacy furniture (two black polished oak cabinets from the erstwhile pharmacy shop), small tools and pharmaceutical vessels (mainly wooden, glass and porcelain storage jars, beakers, various bowls and packaging, pots, bottles with rubber instillators and a powder pot), pharmaceutical tools (steriliser, various spatulas, spoons, pestles, syringe, tripod, press, scales and weights, burner support, stand, electric heater, mould for suppositories, funnel for veterinary use, wooden board, pill maker) and other items (the bust of Dr. Domac, dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy in Zagreb, a large quantity of labels for storage jars in various sizes).

Pharmacy storage jars represent the majority of the collection. Porcelain jars were used to store ointments, glass jars were used for liquids and wooden jars held solid or semi solid substances. There are 384 storage jars in total. A considerable number of bottles with rubber instillators have also been preserved – as many as 19 in various sizes. There are few items of other types – up to five at the most, with the exception of labels for storage jars in various shapes, sizes and colours. The collection includes a total of 425 labels.

The collection is completed by three encyclopaedias, Meyers Encyklopädische Werke, published in Vienna in 1899. The encyclopaedias were donated to the Dolnji Logatec school by Janez Kristan, MPharm; they bear the Logatec Pharmacy stamp and a handwritten dedication from Mr. Kristan himself: "Presented to the Dol. Logatec school, Kristan, MSc, on 3.11.1933". The school library would treasure these invaluable books for the next 76 years until they were presented to Tilka Jerič in 2009 as an important contribution to the pharmacy collection.

Janez Kristan, MPharm – founder and owner of Logatec's first pharmacy

Born on 4 January 1894 in Mengš, Janez Kristan, MPharm, was Logatec's first pharmacist. He died on 28 January 1975 and was buried at Žale in Ljubljana. Having been imprisoned in Italy, he returned home in 1919 and decided to study pharmacy in Zagreb. He worked as an intern in Ljubljana in 1919 while still a student; soon after, he was employed by Dr. R. Karba in Kamnik, where he worked for the following year. Even before sitting the tirocinio, a practical exam that all pharmacy students had to pass during their studies, Kristan spent six months working in the military pharmacy "Disticcamento per gli ufficiali preg. di guerra Castello Baja near Napoli". As a student, he also worked at Šavnik in Kranj, Prohazka in Ljubljana and, for two months, at Brilli in Litija. He earned his Master's degree in Zagreb on 22 July 1922. Having completed his studies, Kristan found employment in the Sušnik Pharmacy in Ljubljana. In 1927, the Chamber of Pharmacists granted Kristan a concession, enabling him to open the first pharmacy in Logatec the following year, situated in the "At Krištof's" building next to the railway station. During World War II, Kristan made an enormous effort to help the partisan troops by providing them not just with medications but also with food. After the war, he was a long-standing member of the municipal board and remained generally socially active.

A personal account of Janez Kristan, MPharm

"The people of Logatec remember him as an eminent gentleman and a socially responsible person who was always willing to help the poor and workers. He was very proud of his profession as a pharmacist and he made sure to keep track of new developments in the field, not just in Yugoslavia but also worldwide."

He was a great expert and a selfless mentor. His general proficiency, extensive knowledge of magistral prescriptions and his veterinary expertise in particular were characteristics that many people in Logatec still remember fondly. Mr. Kristan approached any problem with care and attention. He was a keen plant collector who loved nature and the mountains. He was very cheerful, with an excellent sense of humour and a great sense of social responsibility. Even today, many older people still remember that he would sometimes give them medications without charging for them. He was always available to people at any time of day or night.

It was not always easy for Mr. Kristan, especially in the period of nationalisation. The local government at the time was not favourably disposed towards him. But he never forgot the things that really matter in life: he would often say that the secret of happiness and satisfaction was in the little things, the small stones that make up the mosaic of life.

These exhibits, the old equipment from Mr. Kristan's pharmacy, reveal so much about his work and the time he lived in, a time when most medications were made to magistral prescriptions and the pharmacy had an atmosphere of romance about it.

It was the owner, Mr. Kristan, that gave the pharmacy a soul. In order to repay and commemorate his efforts, this part of pharmaceutical history will be preserved in his memory."

Tilka Jerič, MPharm. (Logatec Pharmacy manager from 1963 to 1994)

Interesting facts

Veterinary remedies – The pharmacy was once an important source of veterinary remedies - one in three visitors came in looking for an animal remedy. It was enough for a farmer to describe the symptoms of a sick cow and Mr. Kristan would immediately set to work to prepare the right medication.

Always prepared – Unlike most other professions, for many years pharmacists had to be prepared for anything at all times – a nightmare for people trying to have a normal family life!

A pharmacy that listens – a pharmacy is made by the people in it – Employees in the Logatec Pharmacy always made sure they maintained a warm atmosphere in the pharmacy, giving customers a feeling of safety and trust. People would start to feel better before they had even taken the medication, just for sharing their problems with the pharmacist.