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Wherever the art of  
medicine is loved,  
there is also a love of  
humanity.

(Hippocrates)

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**HISTORIC PHARMACIES**  
and **MEDICINAL GARDENS**





## THE THEME OF AROMAS: FROM RAW MATERIALS TO CULTURAL HERITAGE

The **European Route of Historical Pharmacies and Medicinal Gardens** is a geohistorical **journey** to emblematic locations with extensive **aromatic knowledge** - such as **monastic apothecaries, ancient pharmacies, historical libraries and botanical and medicinal gardens** - in **European regions** where such knowledge has stimulated intercultural and interreligious dialogue since ancient times. They hold a vast array of intangible heritage made up of **scientific, botanical and medical knowledge, ancestral crafts** such as those practiced by apothecaries and plant producers, which were fundamental to the health of Europeans, and traditional knowledge and customs associated with the use of aromatic substances in daily activities of human dimension both spiritually and non-spiritually such as rites, cosmetics, healing and cooking. This intangible heritage connects many European and non-European countries through shared histories of aromas, which in the ancient world were also the **driving forces of commercial exchange, promoting dialogue between cultures and the dissemination of practices and knowledge that transcended the geopolitical barriers**. Today, we can count on an important tangible heritage all around: **historic apothecaries, pharmacy collections, herbaria, recipe books and medicinal gardens**, as evidence of this **common memory**.

## AIS ASSOCIATION

**AROMAS ITINERARIUM SALUTIS (AIS)** is a **non-profit association** based in València (Spain). It was founded in 2021 with the principal to **preserve and disseminate the tangible and intangible heritage of historical pharmacies and medicinal gardens**, through the creation and the management of the **European Route of Historic Pharmacies and Medicinal Gardens**.

## A JOURNEY THROUGH NATURAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE

- Historic Pharmacy - Benedictine Community of Montevergine, Mercogliano, Italy
- Historic Pharmacy - Charterhouse of Trisulti, Colleparado, Italy
- Historic Pharmacy - SS. Sacramento di Roccavaldina, Italy
- Historic Pharmacy - St. Maria della Scala, Rome, Italy
- Pharmacy Museum, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Pharmacy Museum - MNIT, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
- JGL Pharmacy Museum, Rijeka, Croatia
- Hispanic Pharmacy Museum - UCM, Madrid, Spain
- Esteve Pharmacy - Civic Museum, Llívia, Spain
- Museum of History of Medicine and Pharmacy of Lithuania, Kaunas, Lithuania
- Pharmacy Collection - Very Illustrious Official College of Pharmaceutics of Valencia (MICOF), València, Spain
- Health and Pharmacy Museum, Lisboa, Portugal
- Salerno Medical School Foundation, Salerno, Italy
- Semmelweis Museum, Library and Archive of the History of Medicine, Budapest, Hungary
- St. Maria de Sobrado Monastery, A Coruña, Spain
- Archconfraternity of Santa Maria dell'Orto, Roma, Italy
- Archaeological Park of the Colosseum, Roma, Italy
- 'Aromas del Turia' medicinal plants routes, Riba-roja de Túria, Spain
- Botanical Garden - Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Kaunas, Bulgaria
- Botanical Garden - UV, València, Spain
- 'Pietro Castelli' Botanical Garden - UNIME, Messina, Italy
- Minerva Garden, Salerno, Italy
- Medicinal Garden - Benedictine Monastery of St. Cecilia, Roma, Italy
- Citrus garden - Todoli Citrus Foundation, Palmera, Spain
- Hesperidarium - The Citrus Garden, Pescia, Italy
- Botanical Garden - VMU, Kaunas, Lithuania
- Medicinal garden and Hospital-Illa del Rei Hospital Foundation, Maò, Spain
- Arboretum, Mas Roussillon, France

## AIS FIELDS OF ACTION

- Co-operation in research and development
- Enhancement of memory, history and European heritage
- Cultural and educational exchanges for young Europeans
- Contemporary cultural and artistic practice
- Cultural tourism and sustainable cultural development

## 11 MEMBER COUNTRIES

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| • Bosnia and Herzegovina | • Hungary   | • Romania     |
| • Bulgaria               | • Italy     | • Spain       |
| • Croatia                | • Lithuania | • Switzerland |
| • France                 | • Portugal  |               |

