Abstract: Organisation and activities of surgeons in the principality of Glogau/Głogów from the 16th to the 18th century

This report on work in progress attempts to give an overview of the activities of surgeons (Chirurgen) in the principality of Glogau/Głogów, as pars pro toto for Silesia, from the 16th to the 18th century. Various kinds of sources allow give insight as to how these early modern surgeons were working, and there is evidence for their training and education. Their guilds’ archives, and especially the statutes of such, reveal some indications of their healing methods, and of the competition situation with barber-surgeons and other non-regulated artisans, who nevertheless often enjoyed the support of civic authorities and the governor.

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