

海絲藥引：鴉片、洋藥與清末中國製藥業的變革

本演講旨在探討塑造中國大陸及香港西藥學的文化、醫學科學及商業互動，並將這些發展置於海上絲綢之路的長時段歷史背景中進行考察。通過聚焦藥物配方與大規模生產的材料、技術及工藝，本研究追溯了藥學從小規模實踐向全球商業企業演變的歷程。借助對本草（*materia medica*）及所謂的「危險藥物」（包括鴉片、嗎啡和芬太尼）的案例研究，本研究重構了藥學知識與商品在流動、流通及轉化過程中錯綜複雜的歷史，將早期的海上絲綢之路交流網路與當代的全球製藥工業聯繫起來。本分析並非將西藥學視為單向的移植，而是強調了中醫藥認識論與實踐的關鍵作用，展示了它們與西方科學框架的互動如何催生出獨特的藥物形態與產業。香港作為理解現代中國這些混合發展的關鍵案例，其研究跨越了從殖民時代到今日特別行政區的歷史變遷。

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趙 粵先生是一位傑出的藥劑師、作家及藥史學家，在加拿大、中國內地、香港特別行政區、新加坡及英國的社區、醫院及製藥工業領域擁有豐富的經驗。自 2000 年以來，他一直致力於異域本草（*exotic materia medica*）歷史的獨立研究，特別關注古代絲綢之路的相關課題。自 2017 年至今，趙粵已出版 7 本學術藥學史與管理學中英文著作及發表 20 多篇原創論文。

目前，趙先生擔任兩部即將由 Springer 出版的重要著作的總編輯：一部是獲亞洲藥學聯合會（FAPA）認可的《亞洲藥學史手冊》（*Handbook of the History of Pharmacy in Asia*），計劃於 2026 年 11 月在曼谷舉行的 FAPA 雙年會上發佈；另一部是獲北京大學及上海大學認可的《中國藥學史手冊》（*Handbook of the Chinese History of Pharmacy*），定於 2026 年第一季度發佈。他持有藥劑學理學士及工商管理碩士學位，並且是國際藥學史學會（International Academy of History of Pharmacy）終身會員、英國皇家藥學會會士（FRPharmS）、英國皇家歷史學會會士（FRHS）及香港藥劑專科學院院士。

Title: Pharmacy on the Maritime Silk Road: A Historical Analysis

This presentation examines the cultural, medico-scientific, and commercial interactions that shaped Western pharmacy in mainland China and Hong Kong, situating these developments within the longue durée of the Maritime Silk Road. Focusing on the materials, techniques, and processes of drug formulation and mass manufacture, it traces the evolution of pharmacy from small-scale practice to a global commercial enterprise. Through case studies of materia medica and so-called dangerous drugs—including opium, morphine, and fentanyl—the study reconstructs the entangled histories of the movement, circulation, and translation of pharmaceutical knowledge and commodities, linking early maritime exchange networks to the contemporary global pharmaceutical industry. Rather than framing Western pharmacy as a unilateral transfer, the analysis highlights the critical role of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Pharmacy epistemologies and practices, demonstrating how their interaction with Western scientific frameworks produced distinctive pharmaceutical forms and industries. Hong Kong serves as a pivotal case study for understanding these hybrid developments within modern China, spanning the transition from the colonial era to the present-day Special Administrative Region.

Introduction of Speaker



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