

Preparedness of doctors to fight epidemics of infectious diseases in the Kingdom of Poland in the 19th century

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Another domain of his research is the European spa culture of the 19th - 21st centuries. Additionally, he explores the history of the Lodz science-related groups. He is also an editor of sources in the field of social history. He is the author of over 170 scientific publications, including 15 monographs (for example: "Forgotten Polish spas"; "Tomasz Potocki (1809-1861); "The evolution of the Polish landowners' attitudes").