

White Adam and Black Eve

A 1770 painting at the Old Pharmacy, Calw, Southern Germany, and the scientific discourse of the time on heredity, skin colour, variation and race

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Figure 1. Tiere und Menschen

Appendix

Table 1: The Gärtner-Gmelin family, education and international connections

1st generation
<u>Achatius (I) Gärtner (1662-1728)</u> ²
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• “classic” education as pharmacist, working for years in several pharmacies in Southern Germany• access to pharmacy in Calw via planned marriage with Regina E. Sigwart• marriage with daughter of mayor, Maria E. Mayer• building the house in 1700• trading medical plants from West- and East Indies highly respected, best pharmacy in Württemberg, invited to join Reich’s delegation of pharmacists to Spain, but declined

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2nd generation

Sons of Achatius (I) and Maria Mayer

Achatius (II) Gärtner (1699-1742)³

- married to Margarethe Über, Gmelin family, Tübingen
- education in pharmacy of father and several pharmacies in Germany, the Netherlands and England

Joseph (I) Gärtner (1707-1731)⁴

- studied medicine in Tübingen, France, England, the Netherlands (with Borhaeve, Ruysch *et al.*)

² Armin Wankmüller, "Vorwort", *Beiträge zur Württembergischen Apothekengeschichte* 1 (1950): 5-21, on 17-19; Peter Hartwig Graepel, *Beiträge zur Geschichte der Alten Apotheke Calw. Die Privilegien der Alten Apotheke Calw. Der Briefwechsel von Achatius und Johann Georg Gärtner mit Johann Ambrosius Beurer*. Gladenbacher Beiträge zur Geschichte des deutschen Apothekenwesens, n° 2 (2013): 13, 37-50.

³ Peter Hartwig Graepel, *Beiträge zur Geschichte der Alten Apotheke Calw. Die Privilegien der Alten Apotheke Calw. Der Briefwechsel von Achatius und Johann Georg Gärtner mit Johann Ambrosius Beurer*. Gladenbacher Beiträge zur Geschichte des deutschen Apothekenwesens, n° 2 (2013): 45-50.

⁴ Peter Hartwig Graepel, *Die Gärtner-Gedenkstätte im Museum der Stadt Calw. Bahnbrechende Arbeiten auf dem Gebiet der Früchte- und Samenforschung, der Blütenbiologie und der Pflanzenbastardierung*, Kleine Reihe, vol. 3 (Calw: Museum der Stadt Calw, 1991): 10-11.

3rd generation

Sons of Achatius (II) and Margarethe Über

Achatius (III) Gärtner (1724-1770)⁵

- education in pharmacy of Johann Gaum and Johann Konrad Gmelin, Tübingen
- studied in England and Leiden (Pieter van Musschenbroeck (1692-1761), Adrian van Royen (1704-1779) and Bernhard Siegfried Albinus (1697-1770), Hieronymus D. Gaub taught medicine in Boerhaeve tradition)
- studied medicine in Tübingen, 1757 viva with Philipp Friedrich Gmelin (1721-1768), brother of Johann Georg Gmelin (1709-1755), explorer of Siberia, professor at Imperial Academy of the Sciences, Petersburg, after 1749 professor for botany, medicine and chemistry at Tübingen University, acquainted with Carl v. Linné; cousin of Samuel Gottlieb Gmelin (1744-1774), who died during his Siberia expedition
- builds new laboratory, Naturalienkabinet, knows work of Ruysch and J. Gessner
- experiments with pigment Prussian blue

Johann Georg Gärtner (1727-1755)⁶

- studied pharmacy, was supposed to take over the pharmacy

Son of Joseph (I) Gärtner

Joseph (II) Gärtner (1732-1791)⁷

- studied medicine in Tübingen and Göttingen (Albrecht v. Haller), in Italy, France, England; stayed in Holland and England.
- Fellow of the Royal Society, London
- 1763 prosector of anatomy, Tübingen university
- 1768 professor for Botany and Natural History at Imperial Academy of the Sciences, Petersburg
- 1770 back to Calw, inherits Achatius' (III) fortunes

4th Generation

Son (out of wedlock) of Joseph (II) Gärtner

Carl Friedrich von Gärtner (1772-1850)⁸

- became famous botanist, precursor of G. Mendel, travelled to Petersburg, Leiden and other European places,
- access to plant specimen from Japan, East India, South Africa *et al.*

⁵ Peter Hartwig Graepel, *Beiträge zur Geschichte der Alten Apotheke Calw. Die Privilegien der Alten Apotheke Calw. Der Briefwechsel von Achatius und Johann Georg Gärtner mit Johann Ambrosius Beurer*. Gladenbacher Beiträge zur Geschichte des deutschen Apothekenwesens, nº 2 (2013): 51-58, 74, 74-85.

⁶ Peter Hartwig Graepel, *Beiträge zur Geschichte der Alten Apotheke Calw. Die Privilegien der Alten Apotheke Calw. Der Briefwechsel von Achatius und Johann Georg Gärtner mit Johann Ambrosius Beurer*. Gladenbacher Beiträge zur Geschichte des deutschen Apothekenwesens, nº 2 (2013): 51-58.

⁷ Graepel, *Gärtner-Gedenkstätte*, 7, 12-18.

⁸ Peter Harwig Graepel, “Joseph Gärtner und Carl Friedrich von Gärtner”, in Albrecht (ed.), *Schwäbische Forscher*: 59-66. - Building on the work of Kölreuter, Carl Friedrich also experimented extensively on fertilisation processes and published the results in his nearly 800 pp. book in 1849.