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**Kraków czy Tarchomin? Historia sporu o lokalizację fabryki penicyliny przekazanej
Polsce w ramach programu pomocowego UNRRA (1946–1947)**

**Kraków or Tarchomin? Negotiating the location of the penicillin plant given to Poland
under the UNRRA rehabilitation programme (1946–1947)**

SUMMARY

In early 1946, UNRRA (the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration) offered to help several European countries, including Poland, to establish their own penicillin production. Initially, Poland's first penicillin plant was to be set up in an old hospital building in Kraków, and operated by the Ministry of Health. But in 1947, the government moved handling of the investment to the Ministry of Industry, and changed its designated location to an old pharmaceutical factory in Tarchomin, near Warsaw. Disappointed by this decision, the municipal authorities in Kraków attempted to revert it.

This paper sheds light on a previously unknown chapter in the history of Poland's pharmaceutical industry, while exploring the relations between municipal authorities and the centralized governmental institutions, during the first few years of the communist regime's consolidation in Poland. This work was made possible through financial support from the National Science Centre, Poland, research grant number 2014/13/B/HS3/04951.

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