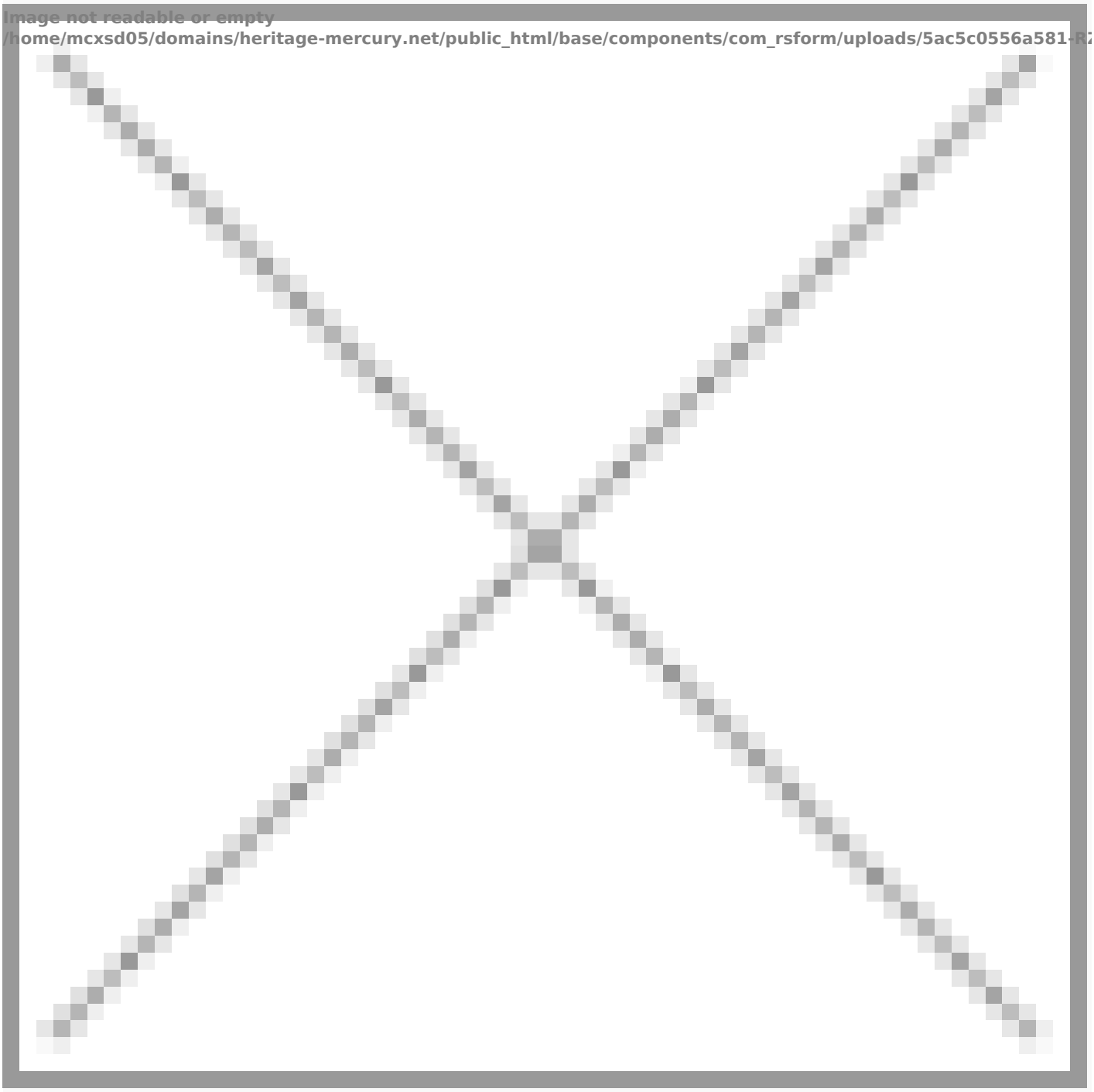
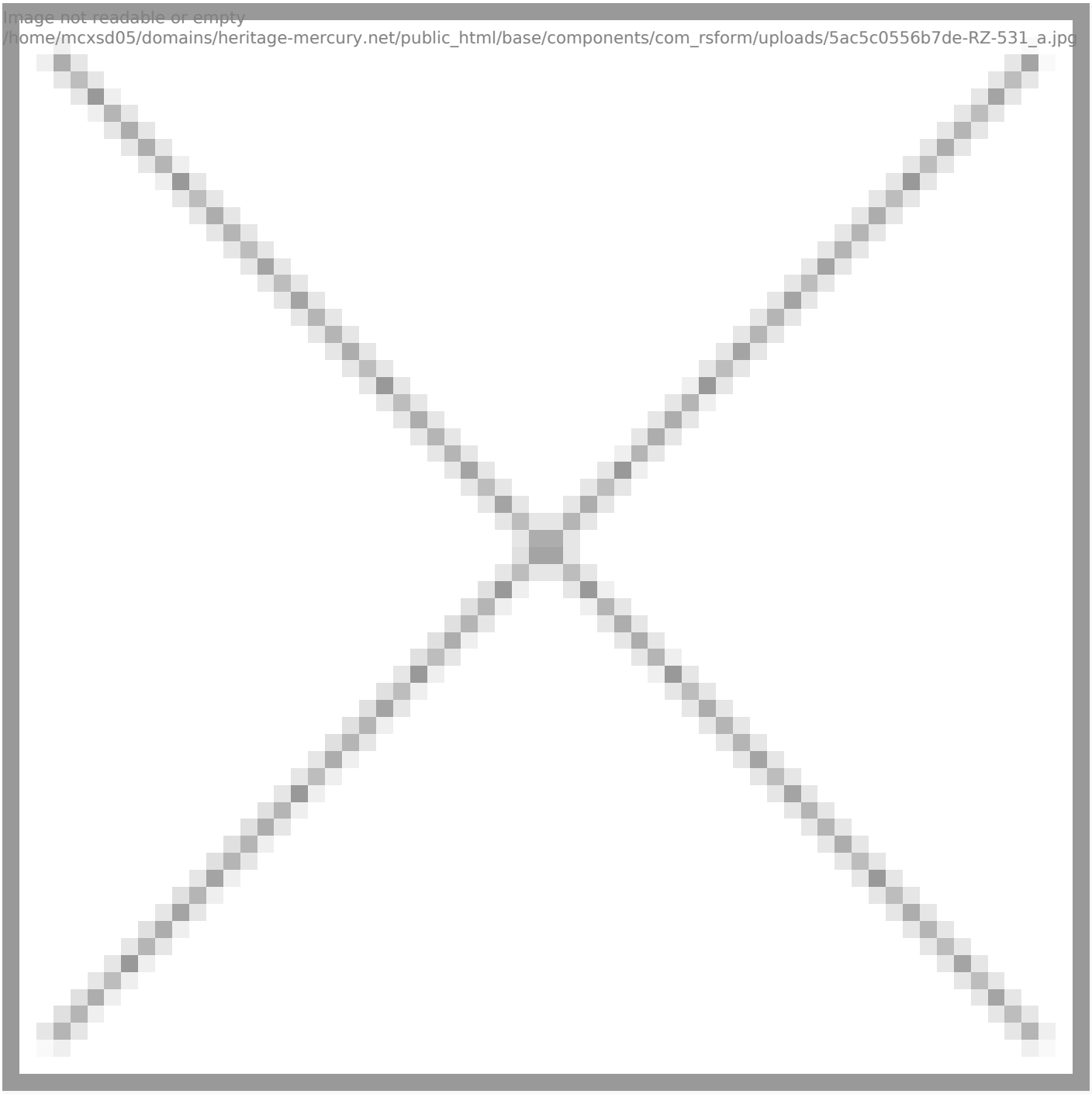
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ID number	002.351.Idrija
Manager / Administrator	Idrija Municipal Museum, Prelovčeva 9, SI-5280 Idrija
Ownership	Public
Owner	Municipality of Idrija, Mestni trg 1, SI-5280 Idrija
Local / Original ID Number	510:IDR;RZ-530–RZ-534
Type of Object	Mine

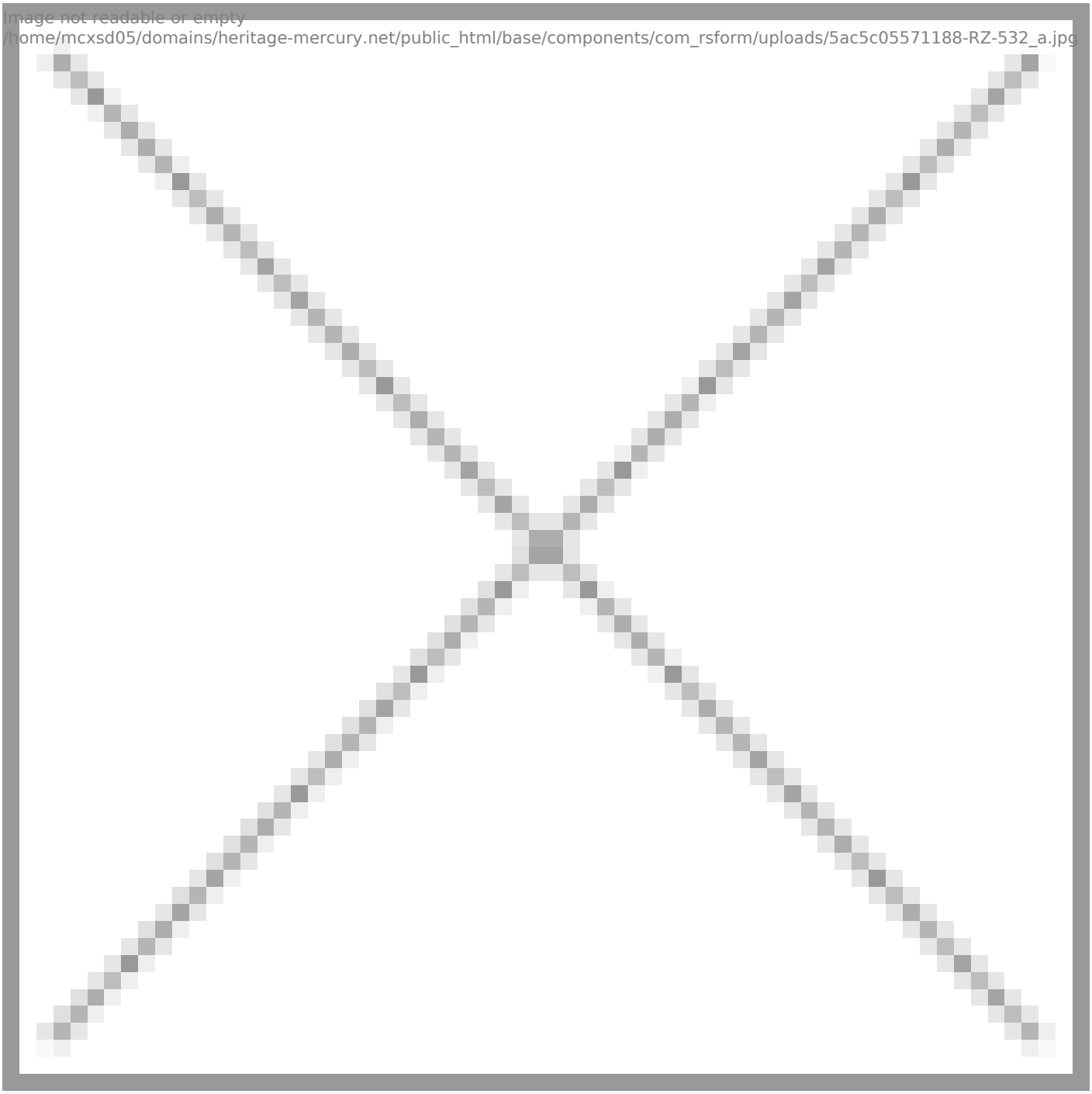
DESCRIPTION

Short description	The pots are elliptical. The pots have painted inscription and sign, which are partly faded. One of five pots also has a cover.
Measures	Length 6.4–7.4 cm, width 6.5–6.9 cm, height 8.4–12.3 cm.
Materials	Wood.
Dating	The time of creation is unknown.
Author / Producer	Manufacturer information is not known.

Picture attachments




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Original use	The described pots were used for storing food in the first pharmacy in Idrija. The latter was founded in 1754, in the building of Stari plac, which was formerly used by the Mine for their production. In 1836, the pharmacy was completely renovated. In 1850, the mining pharmacy was officially proclaimed as a public institution. It operated there by 1961. The first professional manager of Idrija Pharmacy was Ernest Freyer. During that time, a first mining doctor Giovanni Antonio Scopoli came to Idrija. After Ernest's death, the Idrija Pharmacy was managed by his son Karel Freyer (1795–1835). Karel was then replaced by Henrik Freyer. He was, just like the his aforementioned family members, a versatile naturalist and botanist. He worked with many European scientists and was also the associate of the Royal Academy of Science in Vienna.
Present use	The described items (five in total) are being preserved, secured and presented as important mining heritage of Idrija with exceptional universal values. They are a part of the mine collection of the Idrija Municipal Museum. Visitors can view them within the permanent museum exhibition "Five Centuries of the Mercury Mine and the Town of Idrija".
Original location	In the first pharmacy in Idrija, in the building in the Old Town Square (nowadays St Achatius Square).
Present location	Idrija Municipal Museum, Gewerkenegg Castle (showroom 1).

STATE OF CONSERVATION

History of conservation:	The objects are mostly well preserved. Two pots are missing a part of the edge, which is broken. Additional interventions are not necessary. Security of the premises is ensured.

Present state	good
Necessary activities:	Regular seasonal maintenance.

DOCUMENTATION

Addresses / collections / links etc. where further in-depth information is accessible:	- Inventory Book of the Idrija Municipal Museum; - Pfeifer, Jože. Zgodovina idrijskega zdravstva. Idrija, Idrija Municipal Museum 1989.
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