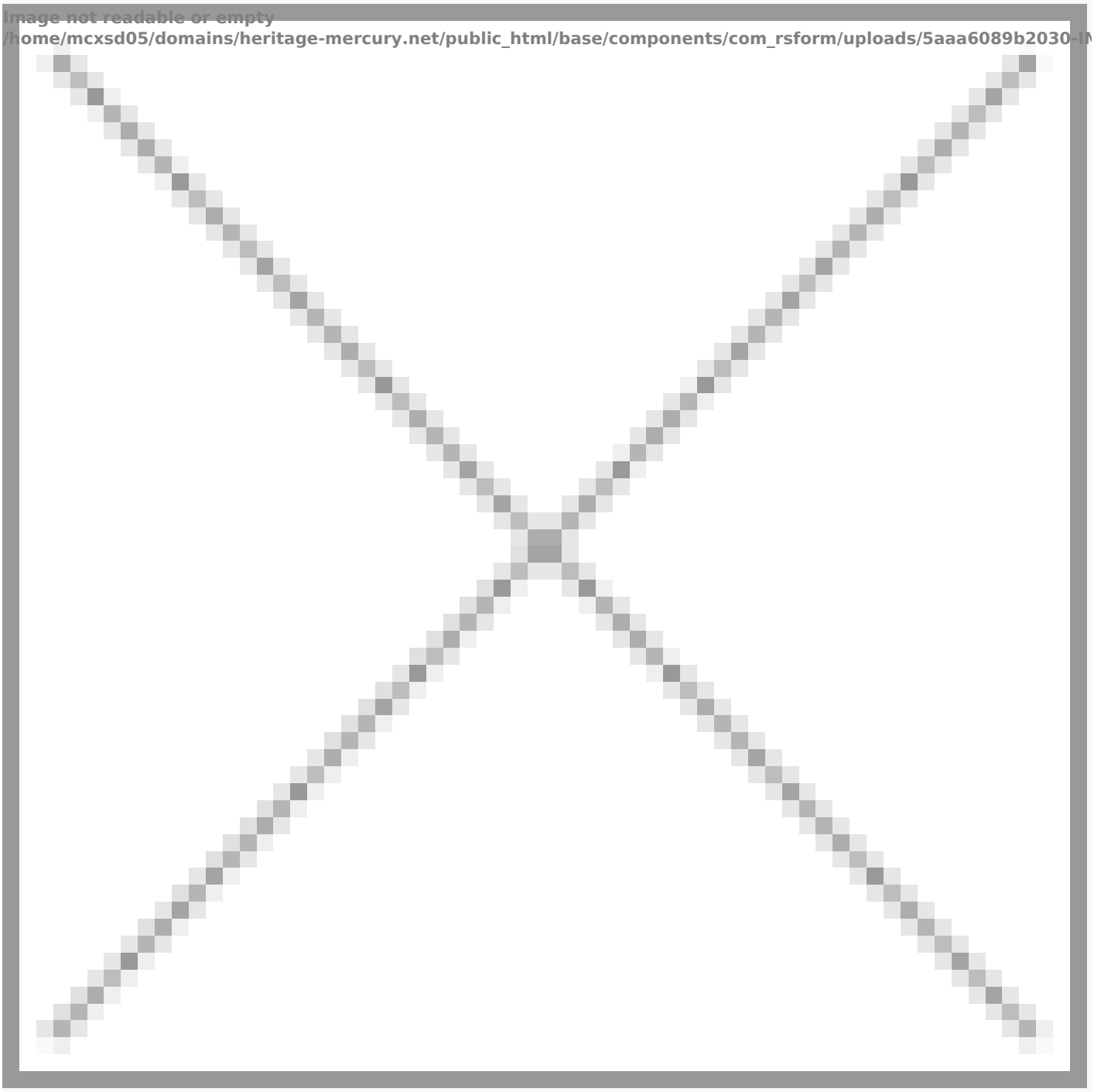
Name 1	MORTAR AND PESTLE 2
Name 2	/
ID number	002.353.Idrija
Manager / Administrator	Idrija Municipal Museum, Prelovčeva 9, SI-5280 Idrija
Ownership	Public
Owner	Municipality of Idrija, Mestni trg 1, SI-5280 Idrija
Local / Original ID Number	510:IDR;RZ-716
Type of Object	Mine, Knowledge, social care

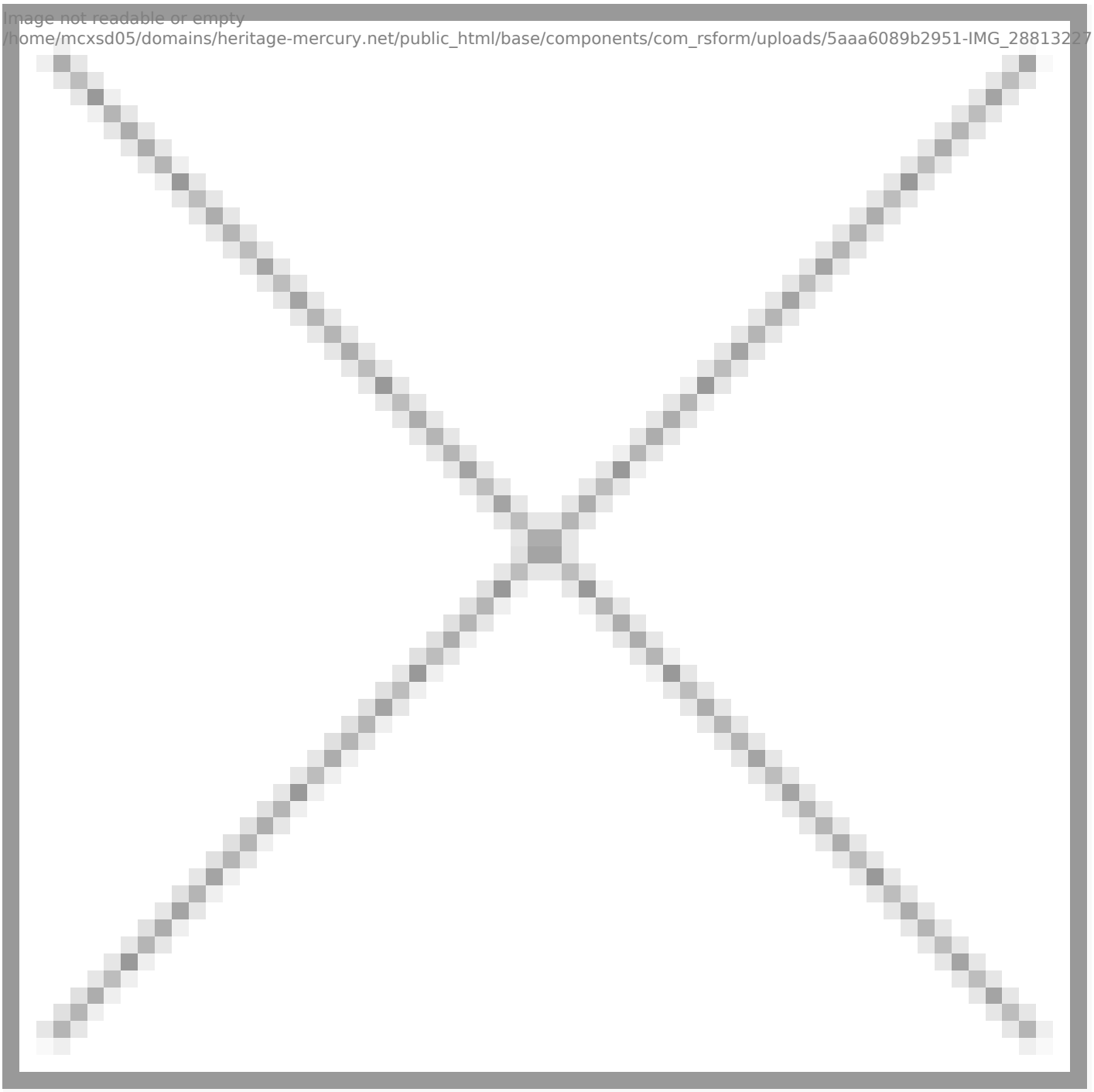
DESCRIPTION

Short description	The apothecary mortar is a solid brass bowl with rounded bottom and a pestle for grinding hard particles. The coating has two small handles and a flower-like ornament, that is hammered in the surface. Both ends of the pestle are thickened and serve for holding and grinding. The inside of the bowl has visible signs of use, which proves that the mortar served its purpose.
Measures	Mortar: length 18 cm, width 18.6 cm, height 15.5 cm; Pestle: length 26.7 cm, width 4.5 cm, height 4.5 cm.
Materials	Brass

Dating	The time of creation is unknown.
Author / Producer	Manufacturer information is not known.

Picture attachments




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Original use	The pharmacist or chemist used the mortar for preparation of various medicine. The pestle was an integral and indispensable part of handling with a mortar. The rounded bottom of the mortar enabled easier crushing and grinding of hard particles.
Present use	The mortar and pestle are being preserved, secured and presented as important mining heritage of Idrija with exceptional universal values. It is a part of the collection called “Municipal Museum”. Visitors can view it within the permanent exhibition of the Idrija Municipal Museum “Five Centuries of the Mercury Mine and the Town of Idrija”. It can also be used for different types of mercury heritage promotions.
Original location	Idrija.
Present location	Idrija Municipal Museum, Gewerkenegg Castle (showroom 1).

STATE OF CONSERVATION

History of conservation:	Objects are properly conserved. 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.
Submitted	Mestni muzej Idrija
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Date Submitted	15. 3. 2018
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