

<b>Name 1</b>	THE BOTTLE OF MERBROMIN ANTISEPTIC
<b>Name 2</b>	/
<b>ID number</b>	002.408.Idrija
<b>Manager / Administrator</b>	Idrija Mercury Heritage Management Center, Bazoviška 2, SI-5280 Idrija
<b>Ownership</b>	Public
<b>Owner</b>	Republic of Slovenia
<b>Local / Original ID Number</b>	/
<b>Type of Object</b>	Daily life

## DESCRIPTION

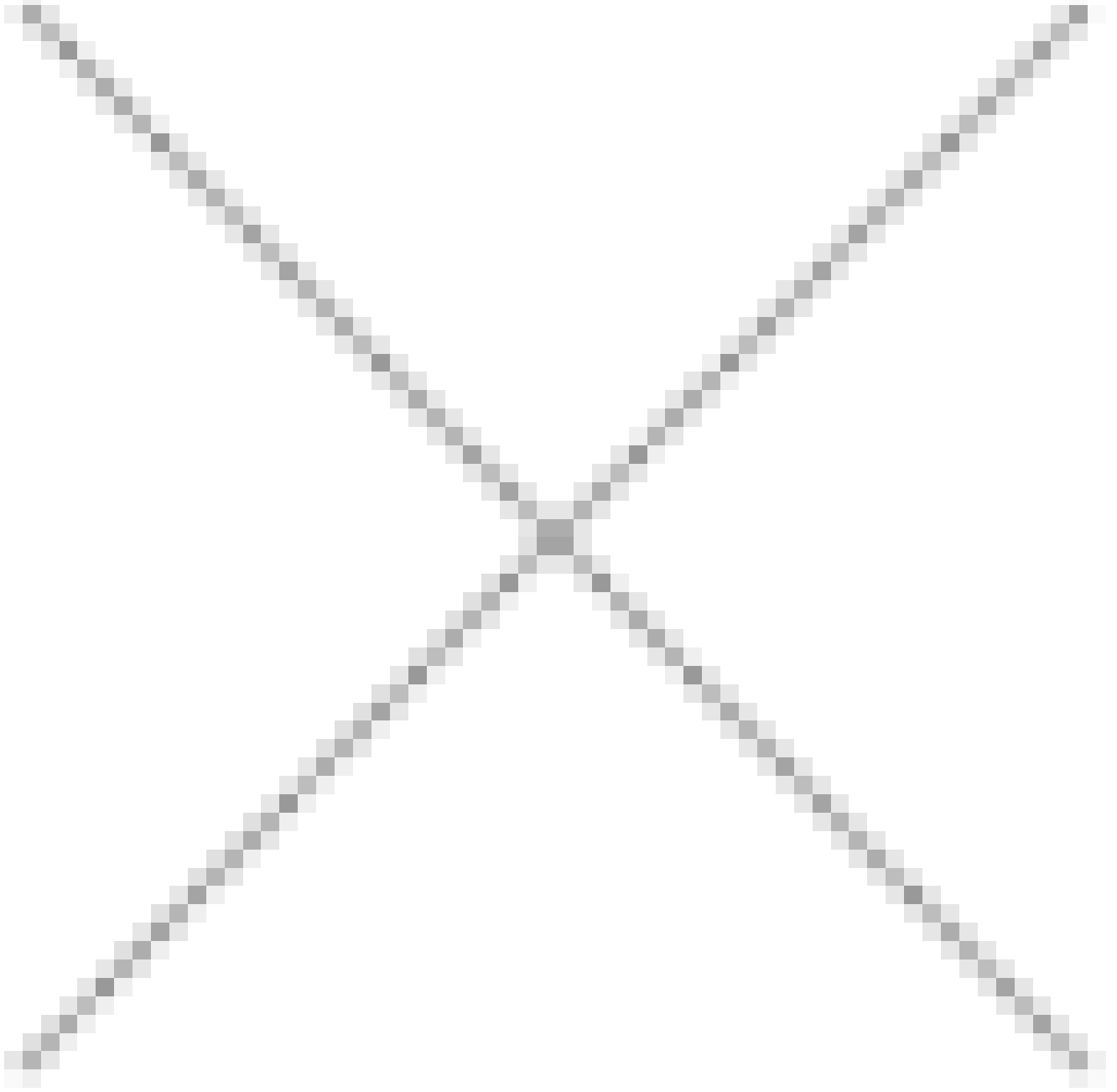
<b>Short description</b>	A small brown bottle, which contains the antiseptic Merbromin. On the front, the bottle has a white label with brown-white edge, with a content declaration, manufacture date, weight of the contents, and the manufacturer's name. It is closed with a cork plug, which is aligned with the top wider part of the bottle opening.
<b>Measures</b>	Length 3 cm, width 2 cm, height 3.5 cm.
<b>Materials</b>	Mercury-chromium, glass, cork.
<b>Dating</b>	1906

**Author / Producer**

Johnson&Johnson, New Brunswick, New Jersey, USA.

## Picture attachments

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<b>Original use</b>	Mercury-chromium or mercury organic halogenid merbromin (C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>8</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> HgNa <sub>2</sub> O <sub>6</sub> ) served as a disinfectant in healthcare and in the treatment of minor bruises, scratches and injuries. Merbromin was a part of the basic first aid kit for many years.
<b>Present use</b>	The bottle with mercury-chromide is being preserved, secured and presented as important mining heritage of Idrija with exceptional universal values. It is a part of the CUDHg Smelting Collection. Visitors can view it within the permanent museum display "From Ore to Mercury Drops" in the Hg Smelting Plant, which represents the characteristics and the versatile use of mercury in science, technology, medicine, culture and every day life. Within the exhibition the object is placed in the density segment of mercury compounds and it presents the usefulness of mercury for medicine purposes.
<b>Original location</b>	Location information is not known.
<b>Present location</b>	Hg Smelting Plant (From Ore to Mercury Drops), Arkova 50, SI-5280 Idrija

## STATE OF CONSERVATION

<b>History of conservation:</b>	The bottle with mercury-chromide is well preserved. Additional interventions are not necessary. Security of the premise is taken care off.
<b>Present state</b>	good
<b>Necessary activities:</b>	Regular seasonal maintenance.

## DOCUMENTATION

**Addresses /  
collections / links  
etc. where further  
in-depth  
information is  
accessible:**

- CUDHg Inventory Book.

**Submitted**

Mestni muzej Idrija

**Submitted by**

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**Date Submitted**

17. 3. 2018

**Date Edited**

Never

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