

Hospitals of Buyid Dynasty

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Abstract:

Medicine is one of the few disciplines which flourished during the Islamic era especially during the first three centuries. The presence of Jundi Shapour physicians and the support of few Abbasside Caliphates helped this branch of science grow rapidly during this period. With the Buyid Dynasty coming into power and taking the control of western parts of the country especially Baghdad, the capital city of Islamic empire, these changes became faster. Therefore, the study of medical activities at the time of Buyid Dynasty as a link in the chain between the pre-Islamic era and the post-Islamic period can be of paramount importance. This thesis aims to study the hospitals operative at this period. The findings show that the incessant support of Buyid Rulers especially Azoddoleh greatly boosted the hygienic and health conditions of the society. The consequence of this support led to the attraction of qualified physicians and scientists who despite various problems could greatly contribute to the medical science by writing books, translating reference books etc., an achievement which established the foundation of western medical science later.

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