



HISTORY OF DERMATOLOGY

MOULAGES AND PATIENT IMAGES: THEIR IMPACT ON DERMATOLOGY PAST AND PRESENT: THE PHILADELPHIA STORY

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Wax models have been known in the United States since the eighteenth century, when Abraham Chovet (1704-1790) used them for teaching anatomy in Philadelphia. During the nineteenth century, large collections were amassed at both the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine (founded 1765) and Jefferson Medical College (founded 1824) for teaching anatomy and pathology. The Jefferson Collection provided the basis for the wax model section of the Mütter Museum at the College of Physicians of Philadelphia. Later, Louis A. Duhring (1845-1913), first professor of dermatology at the University of Pennsylvania, created a large dermatology collection, some of which have become a part of the Mütter Museum.

