



Who we are

The Chemistry Museum of Sapienza-Rome University was established in 1986 and it was opened to the public in 1992. It is on the ground floor of the Chemistry Department and covers a surface area of about 200 sq.m.

The Chemistry Museum stores and exhibits scientific instruments, teaching aids, chemical substances, collections and documents that belonged to Stanislao Cannizzaro and his group, dating from 1872, when Cannizzaro came to Rome and established the Regio Istituto Chimico.

Worthy of mention are the collections of cryoscopes, ebullioscopes, thermometers, early elemental analysis equipments, colorimeters, spectrosopes, and von Schroeder's colour tables of early industrial chemical plants. This Museum also houses a radio activity measurement apparatus built by G. A. Blanc, who worked in this department at the beginning of the 20th century, and even more recent chemical apparatus and instruments which nevertheless well represent the development of instrumental analysis. As the Museum has large windows looking out towards the Chemistry Department hall, people can see many exhibits just by walking through the Department's main entrance.

The Chemistry Museum organises temporary exhibitions and it also makes some multimedia programmes. Visitors can also perform interactive chemistry experiments in the Museum. The Museum addresses its activity to the world of University and of the School in order to promote scientific culture, particularly chemistry, always trying to keep this sector related to humanistic fields.