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Cleyer Introduces Europeans to Acupuncture



Published in Frankfurt in 1682 by Johann Zubrodt, this is the first and only edition of Andreas Cleyer's *Specimen Medicinae Sinicae*. Housed in the WLM's K. Garth Huston, Sr. Rare Book Room, Cleyer's classic was actually the first illustrated text on Chinese medicine to be published in the West. *Specimen Medicinae Sinicae* familiarized European readers with Chinese medical philosophies and practices such as pulse diagnosis, meridian theories, and acupuncture therapy. Cleyer's text is "bound in contemporary vellum over boards" with a text published earlier in Frankfurt, J. Clauberg's 1681 *Dictata physica private id est Physica contracta . . .* (Copyright © the American Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc. This image appears in color in the Anesthesiology Reflections online collection available at www.anesthesiology.org.)

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