



# Climate Data rescue activity at the Hungarian Meteorological Service

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Alapítva: 1870

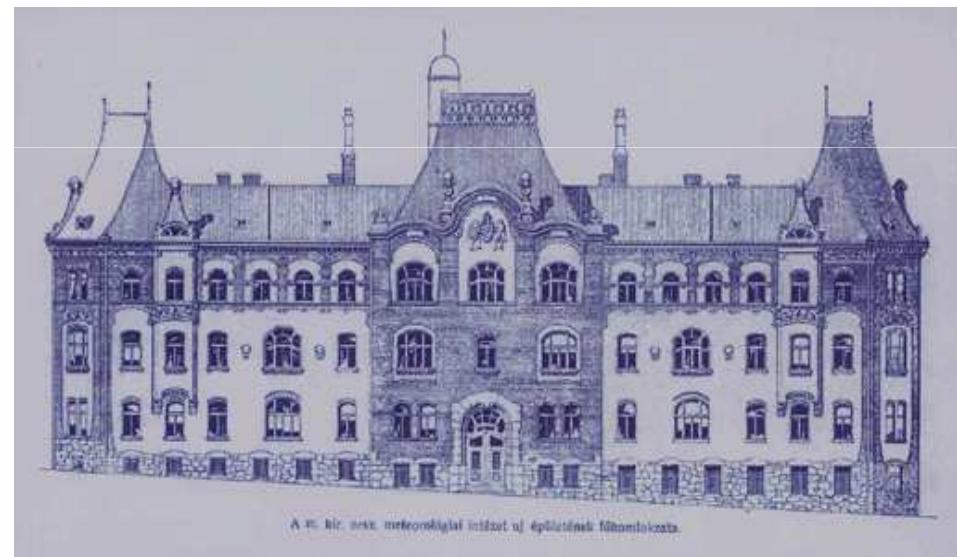
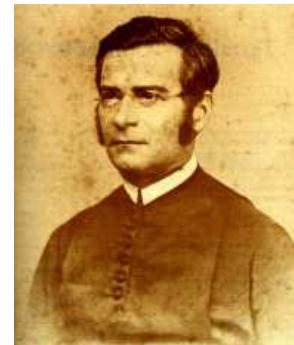




# Back to the History

Early observations: „Societas Meteorologica Palatina”  
from 1780, 36 European meteorological station,  
Mannheim Society

In 1870 The Royal Hungarian Institute for  
Meteorology and Geomagnetism was established



A. H. kir. oszt. meteorológiai intézet új épületének földszintje



# Data Archives

Registered meteorological data and notes from the beginning (1871) of the instrumental observations are stored in the Data Archive

The running of the Data Archives is a government task of the HMS





# Meteorologische Beobachtungen

vom Jahre 1862

angestellt an der k.k. Oberrealschule

zu Ofen.

D<sup>r</sup>. János Schurly



Wichtig  
perct: Rümung (0-10)

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mit derselben Indirek  
finden wir 10. m.

9. 55. m. Übersicht

# Climate data archive



## Catalog system

The observing books and other papers are systematized  
by list and theirs storage number.

In 2 rooms, 11 mobile wardrobe, 275 open shelves  
Protection

Automatic fire protection, the humidity is kept at level  
45–55 %.



- Observing books station/years/month
- Wind register papers station/years/month/day
- Rain gauge register papers station/years/month/day
- Barometer register papers station/years/month /week
- Hygograms station/years/month /week
- Thermograms station/years/month /week
- SYNOP books station/years/month
- Precipitation intensity station/years/month
- Hourly wind
- Hourly sunshine duration elaborations
- Hourly precipitation elaborations
- Hourly temperature elaborations
- Hourly humidity elaborations
- Hourly air pressure elaborations
- Rime
- Microfilms
- Precipitation maps
- Thunderstorms maps

# Registered and stored data types from 1871



# Recent surface station network

Az OMSZ felszíni mérőhálózata  
(a hagyományos csapadékmérő állomások nélkül)

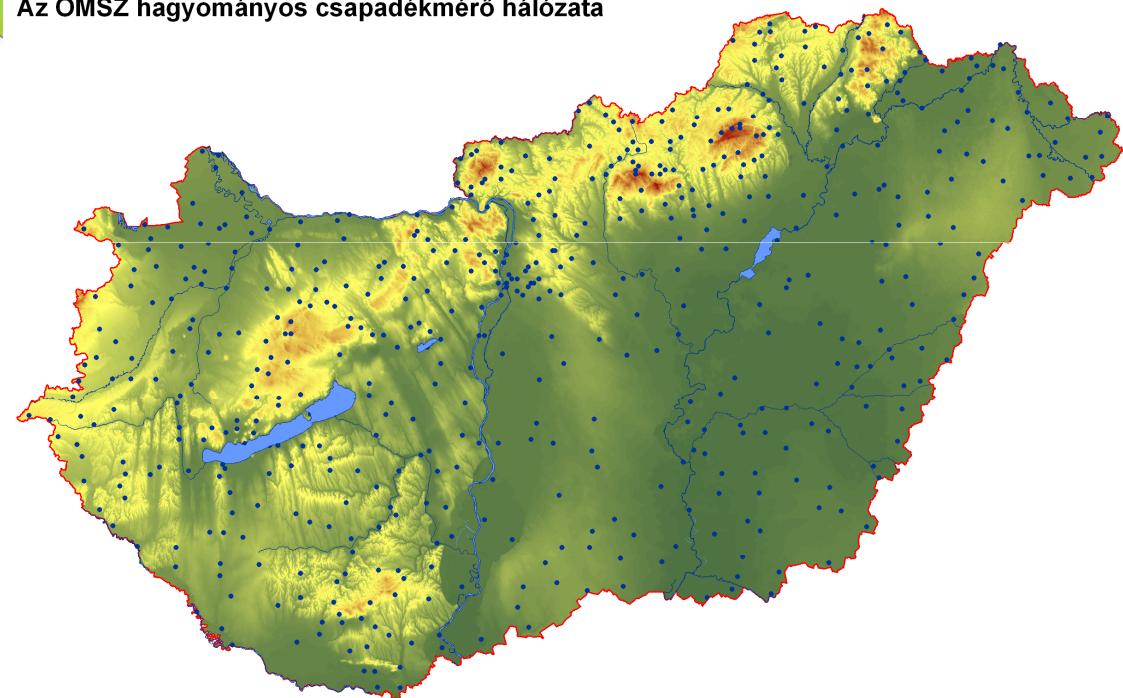
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JELMAGYARÁZAT  
Az OMSZ hagyományos csapadékmérő hálózata



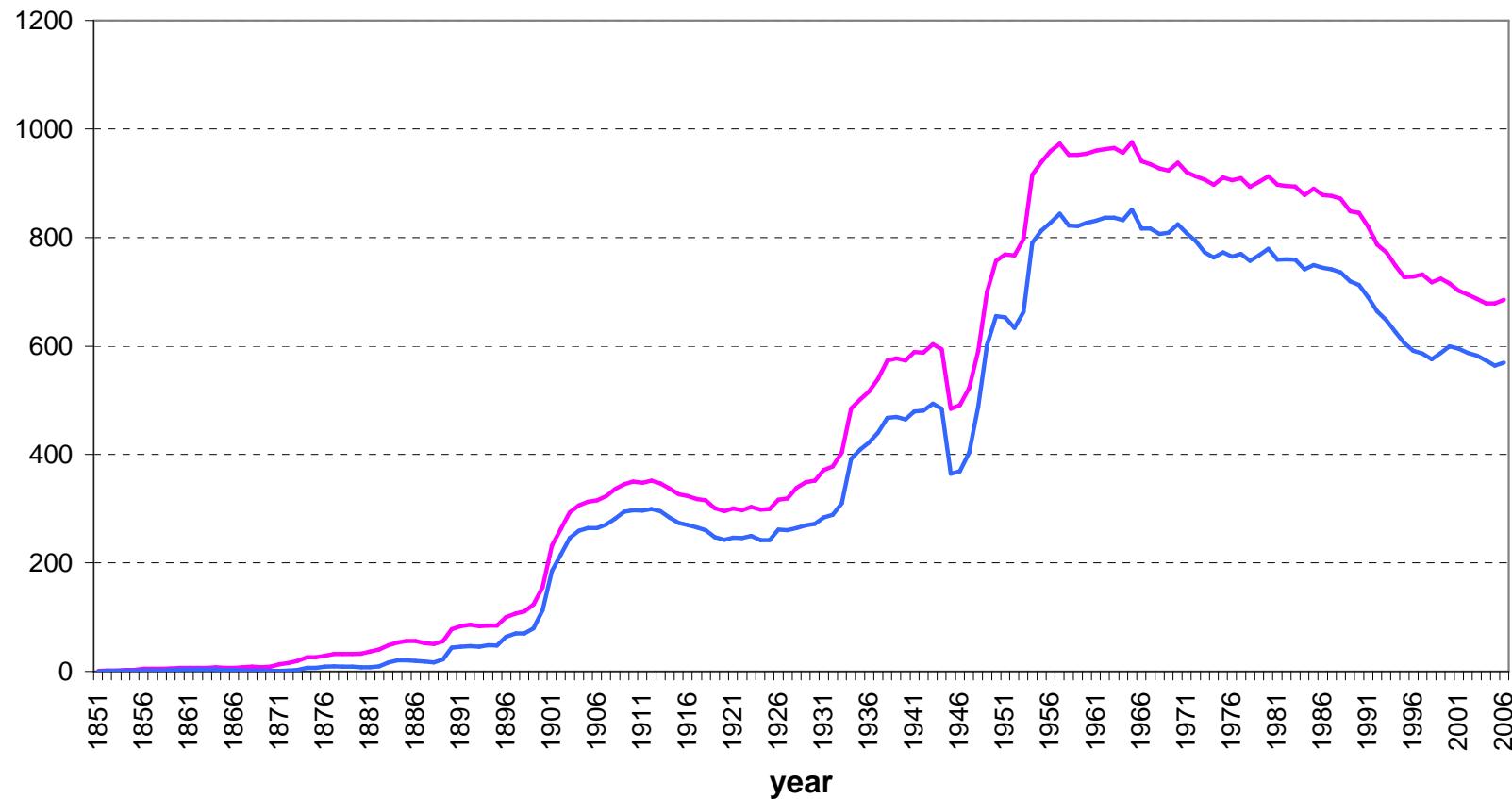
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Készítette: Németh Ákos (OMSZ Eghajlati Osztály)





# Variable in the last 15-20 years, relative stability by now

The total number of meteorological stations and number of precipitation stations,





# The basic observation system of the Hungarian Meteorological Service

before 1993

23 traditional synoptic station,  
hourly observation

36 climatic station, hourly  
observations, volunteers carry out  
observations on the basis of  
commission

50 small climate station, observations  
2 or 4 times a day, report twice a  
month by post

634 precipitation gauges, committed  
volunteers, report once a month by  
postcards

in 2014

250 automatic statisos (together with  
the Hidrological network), with  
observers on 16 stations, 10 min  
measurements to the central  
database

40 automatic climate stations, 10 min  
measurements to the central  
database

463 precipitation gauges, committed  
volunteers, report once a month by  
postcards



# Precipitation data recording

## On regular basis

463 station data/month

6700 precipitation sheets/year

Daily prec. sum, snow cover, type of prec., starting and ending of rainfall, thunderstorm, hail, fog, dew, etc...

Quality control before recording

Once a month

## Data rescue

Recording the precipitation measurements and observations between 1901 and 1950 into the climate database.

10-15 station data in a year

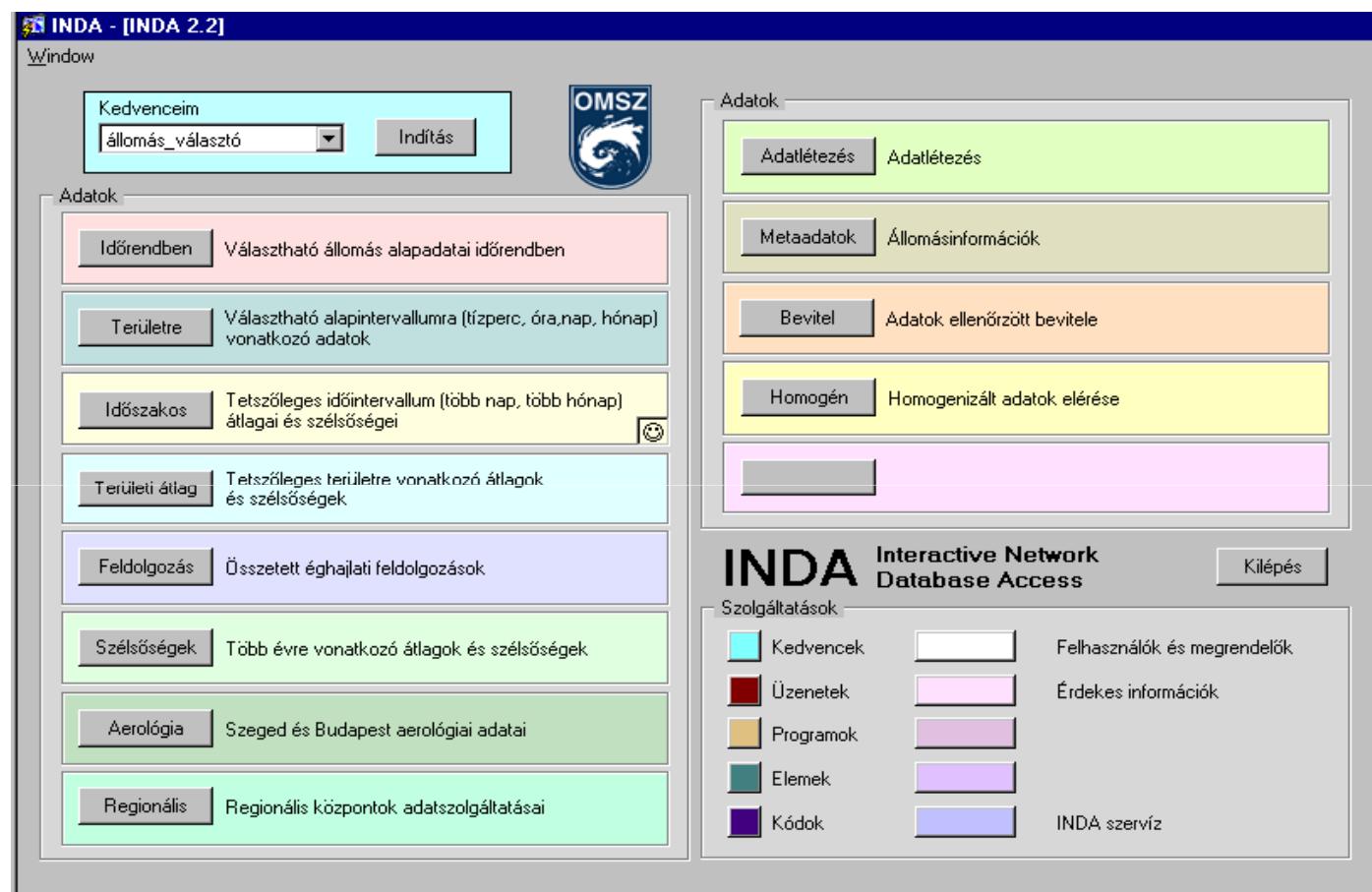
Permanent recording

About 6000-9000 precipitation sheet in a year



# Climate Database (INDA)

In the middle 1990's we began to develop a central high-speed database. Only a part of the observation was put on magnetic disk or tape - data are available mostly from 1951



Entering the  
data directly  
into the  
electronical  
database



# Meta-data

## Station information

Keresés	Keresés eredménye	<b>Állomás adatai</b>	Észlelők adatai	Mérési program	Állomástörténet	Leírás
		<b>Új Régi Hajósy</b> Állomásszám: 58103 540 204602 Állomásnév: Kiskundorozsma Intézmény: Gazdasági Isk.-A.G. Cím: Sia dűlő 25. Irányítószám: Tulajdonos:		Kezdete Vége Üzemeltetés: 1926-10-01 1953-08-31 Megelőző állomás(T) száma: áltérés dátuma: Folytató állomás(T) száma: áltérés dátuma: Megelőző állomás(R) száma: áltérés dátuma: Folytató állomás(R) száma: 58106 áltérés dátuma: 1953-09-01		
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<input type="checkbox"/> Hosszú dátum						

## Observers info

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Mérési időpont Kód: 140 Név: naponta egyszer, a reggeli fóterminusban 40 perckor						
Idő: 06:40 CET						
Mérőműszer Kód: 1 Gyártó: Taneszköz Kft./Debrecen/ Típus: Hellmann Leírás: kettősfalú csapadékmérő						
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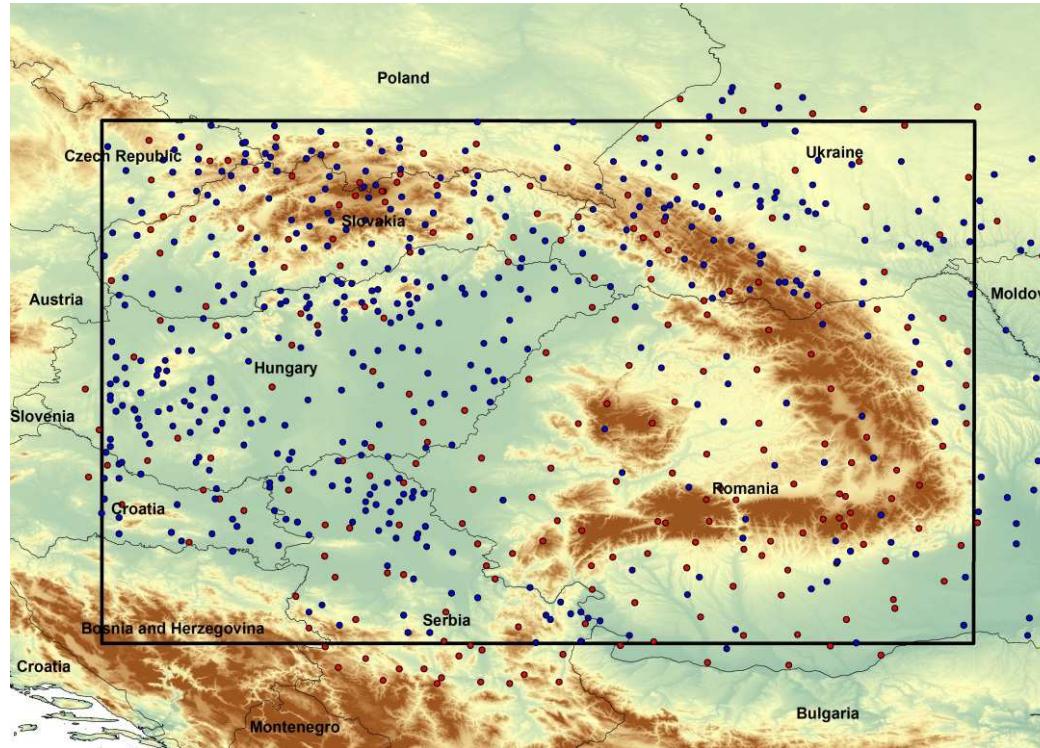
## Observing program



## Permanent data rescue by

- Observers during working hours
- Dispatchers in theirs spare time
- Main task recently: rescuing the precipitation register papers before 1950

# Data rescue to projects (CarpatClim)



415 climate stations and 904 precipitation stations in the region

**Hungary**  
37 climate station  
1961-2010 completed,  
daily climate sheets were  
digitized

Country	Climatological stations	Precipitation stations
Hungary	1 522 780	0
Poland	65 700	281 780
Romania	1 323 490	203 670
Serbia	9 560	21 900
Slovakia	255 500	219 000
Ukraine	9 396 176	1 531 520



# EUMETNET CP DARE Questionnaire response

To whom it may concern,

The new EUMETNET Climate Program has started by the beginning of the year. As part of the "Support to Members Activity" an Expert Team on data Rescue and Recovery will be set up, with the main task to collect and share information and to produce an overview of what is happening in these fields of work within the EUMETNET community. This team has not yet been formed, but will be discussed at the Climate Expert Team Meeting in De Bilt in April. Nevertheless to initiate these tasks ZAMG has developed a questionnaire, and you are kindly asked to answer the questionnaire and send it back to [Ingeborg.auer@zamg.ac.at](mailto:Ingeborg.auer@zamg.ac.at).

## Questionnaire - Data Rescue

Long-term datasets are of great importance for climate research. Unfortunately not all the existing data is available until now, but parts are still stored in paper archives and need to be digitalized. Of main interest for climate change concerns are long-term series (~100 years of data), mountain observatories (~50 years of data) and data from regions where no long-term information is provided until now.

This questionnaire is sent to you in order to produce a European/RA VI data inventory to be able to estimate the amount of still unexplored data as well as the necessary time, work and expenses.

Please take the time to answer the following questions as exactly as possible. Your efforts will be highly appreciated!

- 1) Is there already according to long-term series and mountain series digitized data available for your country? Please give their names, the temporal resolution, the parameters, start and end date of the series.**

ta, tx, tm,: mean, max, mi temperature

r: precipitation amount

s: sunshine duration

p,p0: air pressure on the station and on the sea level

rh: snow depth

u: relative humidity



# Long-term series and mountain series digitized

<b>Sopron</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Szombathely</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Keszthely</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Mosonmagyaróvár</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Siófok</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Pécs</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Baja</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Kalocsa</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901 2012
<b>Kecskemét</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Szeged</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Túrkeve</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Miskolc</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
	daily	s	1907
<b>Debrecen</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
<b>Nyíregyháza</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r	1901
	daily	s	1913 2012
<b>Budapest</b>		ta, tx,	
	daily	tn,r,p,p0	1901
	daily	s	1912
<b>Kékestető (mountain)</b>	daily	ta, tx, tn,r,rh,	1952
	daily	p,s, u,	1956

+ 109  
precipitation  
station from  
1901



# Unexplored data

Stations are still working

Békéscsaba	3 and later 4 times/day	1930	1971
Esztergom	3 and later 4 times/day	1924	1969
Győr	3 and later 4 times/day	1885	1971
Hódmezővásárhely	3 and later 4 times/day	1877	1959
Jászberény	3 and later 4 times/day	1877	1972
Siófok	3 and later 4 times/day	1881	1970
Szeged	3 and later 4 times/day	1853	1972
Székesfehérvár	3 and later 4 times/day	1872	1972
Szolnok	3 and later 4 times/day	1870	1971
Tarcal	3 and later 4 times/day	1901	1972

Station have been closed with long missing periods

Fertőd	3 and later 4 times/day	1901	1967
Mátészalka	3 and later 4 times/day	1928	1974
Mohács	3 and later 4 times/day	1932	1974
Terény	3 and later 4 times/day	1906	1971
Veszprém	3 and later 4 times/day	1860	1973

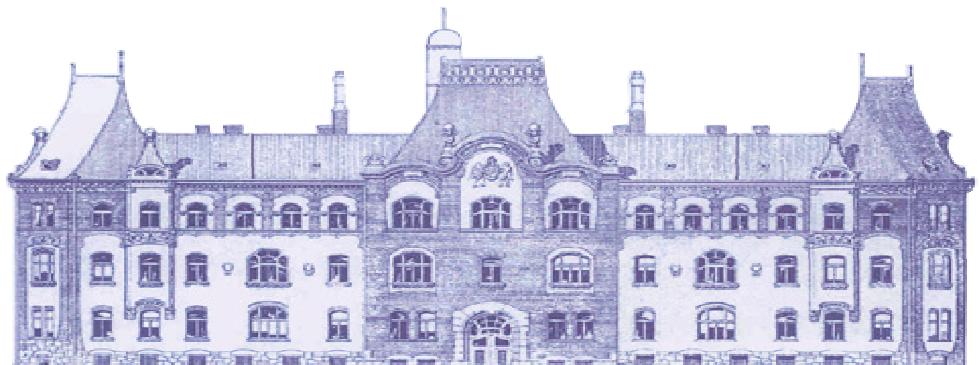
Estimated Costs: ...88 000. €

Work hours: 13932 months

~3.87 year



Thank you for your attention!



Alapítva: 1870