

GENEALOGY DATABASE ENTRY

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Tournefort, Joseph Pitton de

1656 - 1708

DEGREE: none

DATE: 1681 ca.

PLACE: Montpellier

TEACHER/RESEARCH ADVISOR: Magnol

professor of botany and medicine; invented the concept of the genus, "a cluster of closely related species", in taxonomy; analyzed ammonium chloride, silk, and deer antlers; wrote texts on the formation of stones, the flora of Europe, esp. Paris, and a popular account of his travels through the Middle East.

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