

Penicillin collection

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: Ms Coll 103

TITLE: Penicillin collection

DATES: 1921-1986, undated

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 3 linear feet (4 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The collection includes pamphlets, journal articles, and newspaper and magazine clippings regarding the use and manufacture of penicillin. The collection also includes the treatment chart for Anne Miller, the first patient to receive penicillin in the United States, and correspondence regarding John Fulton's relationship with Howard Florey, who researched how to synthesize large quantities of penicillin and led the initial clinical trials of the medication.

ONLINE FINDING AID: To cite or bookmark this finding aid, please use the following link: <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/med.ms.0103>

Requesting Instructions

To request items from this collection for use on site, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/med.ms.0103>.

Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

The collection was created by the Medical Historical Library. Provenance for individual items in the collection is unknown.

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Preferred Citation

Penicillin collection. Historical Library, Harvey Cushing / John Hay Whitney Medical Library, Yale University.

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged in five series: Series I: Pharmaceutical and chemical company publications, 1943-1947. Series II: Reprints, 1921-1964. Series III: Publications from other organizations, 1943-1965. Series IV: Magazine and newspaper clippings, 1942-1982. Series V: Penicillin at Yale, 1942-1999.

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Series I: Pharmaceutical and chemical company publications, 1943–1947

b. 1, f. 1	Abbott Laboratories 2 copies of <i>A Review of the present information concerning penicillin</i>	1944
b. 1, f. 2	Commercial Solvents Corporation <i>Therapeutic reference table; Newer facts about penicillin; Penicillin reporter</i>	1945–1947
b. 1, f. 3	Eli Lilly 3 copies of <i>Research Today</i> magazine	1945
b. 1, f. 4	Fisher Scientific Company Review of the new <i>Penicillin Reader</i>	1944
b. 1, f. 5	Merck and Company, Inc. 2 brochures	1943–1945
b. 1, f. 6	Merck and Company, Inc. Large brochure on penicillin	1944
b. 1, f. 7	Merck and Company, Inc. Large brochure with annotated bibliography on penicillin	1945
b. 1, f. 8	Parke, Davis, and Company Issues of <i>Therapeutic Notes</i> magazine from July and August 1945	1945
b. 1, f. 9	Hoffman-La Roche, Inc. <i>Roche Review</i> , June 1945	1945
b. 1, f. 10	Schenley Laboratories, Inc. Four important radio addresses	1944
b. 1, f. 11	E.R. Squibb and Sons Brochure with annotated bibliography	1943
b. 1, f. 12	Upjohn Company <i>Scope</i> , No. 8, October 1944	1944
b. 1, f. 13	Winthrop Chemical Company, Inc. 2 articles; 2 annotated bibliographies	1943–1944
b. 4, f. 2	Merck and Company, Inc. Mailing envelope	undated

Series II: Reprints, 1921–1959

b. 2, f. 1	<i>Archives of Ophthalmology</i> 4 articles	1944
b. 2, f. 2	<i>Bulletin of the Johns Hopkins Hospital</i> 2 articles	1943–1944
b. 2, f. 3	<i>Bulletin of the New York Academy of Medicine</i> 1 article	1944
b. 2, f. 4	<i>Journal of the American Medical Association</i> 12 articles; 3 reprints of an article on the history of penicillin; <i>JAMA</i> vol. 126, no. 2	1943–1945
b. 2, f. 5	<i>Journal of the American Pharmaceutical Association</i> 3 articles	1945
b. 2, f. 6	<i>Journal of Laboratory and Clinical Medicine</i> 2 articles	1944
b. 2, f. 7	<i>Journal of Parenteral Therapy</i> <i>Journal of Parenteral Therapy</i> Fall 1944 and Spring 1945	1944–1945
b. 2, f. 8	<i>The Lancet</i> 3 articles; <i>The Lancet</i> March 27, 1943	1943–1944
b. 2, f. 9	<i>Science</i> 2 articles; <i>Science</i> March 24, 1944	1943–1959
b. 2, f. 10	<i>Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine</i> 10 articles	1942–1944
b. 2, f. 11	State medical organizations 2 articles; <i>West Virginia Medical Journal</i> August 1943	1942–1943
b. 2, f. 12	Miscellaneous United States scientific/medical organizations 7 articles	1921–1945
b. 2, f. 13	<i>Australian Journal of Experimental Biology and Medical Science</i> 3 articles	1944
b. 2, f. 14	British scientific/medical organizations 1 article; <i>Nature</i> February 1, 1964	1944–1964

Series III: Publications from other organizations, 1943–1965

b. 2, f. 15	Mayo Clinic Proceedings of the staff meetings of the Mayo Clinic	1943–1944
b. 2, f. 16	Rockefeller Foundation A review for 1943	1944
b. 2, f. 17	Royal Society of London Notes and records	1965
b. 2, f. 18	United States Public Health Service 2 reports	1943–1944
b. 2, f. 19	United States Public Health Service, Food and Drug Administration, and National Research Council Record of Penicillin Conference held in Washington D.C. March 26-27, 1946	1946
b. 4, f. 2	<i>British Achievement in the Art of Healing</i> 2 copies	1945
	Magazine and newspaper clippings	1942–1986
b. 3, f. 1	<i>Consumer Reports</i> Article about penicillin and chemotherapy	1946
b. 3, f. 2	NOVA TV script about the discovery of penicillin	1986
b. 3, f. 3	<i>Reader's Digest</i> 1 article	1943
b. 3, f. 4	<i>Cinegram Review</i> "The story of penicillin," complete issue	1945
b. 3, f. 5	<i>Yankee Magazine</i> Clippings	1982
b. 3, f. 6	Newspaper Clippings	1942–1974
b. 3, f. 7	Newspaper Clippings	1944
b. 3, f. 8	Newspaper Clippings	1945
b. 3, f. 9	Newspaper Clippings	undated
b. 4, f. 3	Newspaper Clippings	1944–1968

Series IV: Penicillin at Yale, 1942–1999

b. 3, f. 10	Materials regarding treatment of Anne Miller 4 clippings and an email about the treatment of Anne Miller with penicillin at New Haven Hospital in 1945. She was the first patient treated with penicillin in the United States.	1945–1999
b. 4, f. 4	Anne Miller, oversize materials 2 copies of Miller's treatment chart from New Haven Hospital and Dispensary and 1 clipping	1942–1962
b. 3, f. 11	H.W. Florey and John F. Fulton materials Includes correspondence with Madeline Stanton regarding a brochure on Lord Florey, John Fulton correspondence regarding Florey, clippings regarding Florey, and a 2 brochures on Florey. For additional material also see Materials regarding treatment of Anne Miller.	1942–1971
b. 4, f. 5	H. W. Florey oversize clippings 4 clippings	1945–1959
b. 3, f. 12	<i>Yale Journal of Biology and Medicine</i> 2 articles	1942–1943

Miscellaneous

Includes exhibition labels and cards with information on publications.

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Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Penicillin
Pharmaceutical industry -- United States

Names

Florey, Howard, Baron Florey, 1898-1968
Fulton, John F. (John Farquhar), 1899-1960

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