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Guide to the University of Chicago Cancer Research Records 1938-1980



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Descriptive Summary

Identifier	ICU.SPCL.UCCANCER
Title	University of Chicago. Cancer Research. Records
Date	1938-1980
Size	2.5 linear feet (3 boxes)
Repository	Special Collections Research Center University of Chicago Library 1100 East 57th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
Abstract	This collection includes press releases, newspaper and magazine clippings, pamphlets and brochures, and fundraising newsletters and materials related to cancer research at the University of Chicago, including the Committee on Cancer and the Cancer Research Foundation.

Information on Use

Access

The collection is open for research.

Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: University of Chicago. Cancer Research. Records, [Box #, Folder #], Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

Historical Note

Cancer research has involved multiple different departments and research centers within the University of Chicago Medical Center. Cancer research has specifically been centered within the Argonne Cancer Research Hospital, and the Ben May Laboratory located within the Nathan Goldblatt Memorial Hospital. Examples of research conducted at the university are how individual cells are affected by radiation through proton beams, controllable cell mutations, the enzyme system of cancer cells, and radiation therapy through radioactive cobalt.

The University of Chicago Cancer Research Foundation was founded by Maurice Goldblatt in 1947. Through the combined efforts of the Cancer Research Foundation and its many associates, the University was able to build the Nathan Goldblatt Memorial Hospital and the cyclotron building in 1949 and fund cancer research.

Scope Note

This collection is organized into 3 series:

Series I: Research at the University

Series II: Cancer Research Foundation

Series III: Oversized

This collection includes press releases, newspaper and magazine clippings, pamphlets and brochures, and fundraising newsletters and materials related to cancer research at the university, the Committee on Cancer, and the Cancer Research Foundation. A more detailed series description can be found in the series description section.

Related Resources

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

Browse finding aids by topic.

University of Chicago Hospitals and Clinics. Records

University of Chicago Institute for Nuclear Studies. Records

Subject Headings

- University of Chicago. Hospitals and Clinics -- History
- Hospitals -- Illinois -- Chicago -- History

INVENTORY

Series I: Cancer Research

This series contains press release drafts, newspaper and magazine clippings, publications, brochures, and pamphlets related to cancer research at the university. Materials date from 1938 to 1980, and are arranged by type, then chronologically.

Box 1

Folder 1

Press Releases, 1938-1949

Box 1

Folder 2

Newspaper and Magazine Clippings, 1945-1951

Box 1

Folder 3

Publications, 1947-1963

Box 1

Folder 4

Miscellaneous Brochures and Pamphlets, 1945-1980

Series 2: Cancer Research Foundation

This series contains press release drafts, fundraising correspondence, newsletters, and other materials, membership lists, program brochures, reports to members, documents about the Women's Board of the foundation, and the Cancer Research Center Proposal. Materials date from 1938 to 1978, and are arranged by type, then chronologically.

Box 1

Folder 5

Press Releases, 1946-1949

Box 1

Folder 6

Newspaper and Magazine Clippings, 1947-1951

Box 1

Folder 7

Fundraising Materials, 1947-1966

Box 1

Folder 8

Membership Lists and Program Brochures, 1947-1978

Box 1

Folder 9

Reports to Members, 1948-1950

Box 1

Folder 10

Women's Board, 1954-1970

Box 2

Folder 1

Cancer Research Center Proposal, 1972

Series 3: Oversized

This series contains oversized brochures, pamphlets, reports to members, and newspaper and magazine clippings. Materials date from 1935 to 1950, and are arranged by type, then chronologically.

Box 3

Folder 1

Miscellaneous Brochures and Pamphlets, n.d.

Box 3

Folder 2

Reports to Members, 1935-1947

Box 3

Folder 3

Newspaper and Magazine Clippings, 1947-1950