



Rockefeller Foundation records, Field Offices, Belem, Brazil, RG 6, SG 2

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Summary Information

Repository:	Rockefeller Archive Center
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Language of the Material:	Documentation in these files may be written in languages other than english, including primarily portuguese or spanish.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

The Rockefeller Foundation operates several field offices at which various activities and operations were and/or continue to be based.

The Field Office in Belem, Brazil was established in 1954 and was closed in 1971.

It was created in collaboration with the Servico Especiales de Savde Publica (Special Service of Public Health). As with the other field offices the main goal of the laboratory was to study insect borne viruses that are able to attack humans and domesticated animals throughout the world. The laboratory sought to classify these viruses and examine the way they present themselves in humans and animals.

The first director of the virus laboratory, Ottis R. Causey along with his wife, established the laboratory and remained directors until 1963. Causey, educated at Johns Hopkins, held a PhD. of Science degree in entomology, parasitology, and bacteriology. During his career in the Rockefeller Foundation, Causey devoted himself to the field of arbor virology. During his years as director, the lab isolated about 1,600 viruses of which 50 distinct viruses were found. At the time of the closure of the field office, in 1971, the field office was closed in 1971 while John P. Woodall was director. Throughout the time that the Belem Virus Laboratory was established the laboratory was responsible for isolating many viruses. Their goal was to determine what viruses were present in their specific region. Many of the viruses were isolated from the blood of monkeys, mice, and humans. This isolation of viruses gave information about the prevalence of certain viruses and the types of conditions under which they were likely to occur. The laboratory established different methods for rapidly classifying viruses and new ways for monitoring the effects of the virus on humans and animals. The laboratory also made significant contributions to the knowledge of virus activity and the lifecycle of a virus.

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File Plan

RG 6.2.

Organization of the Foundation's archives:

RG 1 Projects;

RG 2 General Correspondence;

RG 3 Administration, Program and Policy;

RG 4 China Medical Board;

RG 5 International Health Board/Division;

RG 6 Field Offices;

RG 7 Treasurer's Office;

RG 8 Comptroller;

RG 9 Personnel;

RG 10 Fellowships;

RG 11 Information Services;

RG 12 Diaries;

RG 13 Oral Histories;
RG 14 Counsel;
RG 15 Secretary;
RG 16 Minutes and Officers Actions;
RG 17 Dockets;
RG 18 Declinations (100F);
RG 19 Non-textual Materials;
RG 20 Communications Office.

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Processing Information

Standard Processing by Kate Mockler, Summer 2011. Finding Aid entered into Archivists' Toolkit by Robert Battaly, December 2012.

Conditions Governing Access

Records greater than 20 years old are open for scholarly research.

All Belem, Brazil Field Office records are open for scholarly research, except when noted.

RAC is unable to provide access to obsolete media and original digital media. In addition separated media may not yet have undergone stabilization procedures. When feasible, a digital surrogate may be created via special order. All applicable charges will apply. See RAC Head of Archival Services or RAC Head of Digital Programs for details.

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

The Belem Field Office records arrived at RAC during the initial transfer of Rockefeller Foundation records to Hillcrest, August 8-18, 1975.

The material was not officially accessioned at the time of transfer, and was retroactively accessioned by RAC as 2012:086.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Virus diseases
- Virology
- Virologists
- Viruses -- Research
- Viruses
- Virus -- Classification
- Rockefeller Foundation. Belem (Brazil)
- Rockefeller Foundation

Other Finding Aids

Other available finding aids describing Rockefeller Foundation records, Field Offices include:

FA395 Rockefeller Foundation records, Field Offices, Paris. FA396 Rockefeller Foundation records, Field Offices, New Dehli, India. FA397 Rockefeller Foundation records, Field Offices, Cali, Colombia. FA398 Rockefeller Foundation records, Field Offices, Mexico. FA399 Rockefeller Foundation records, Field Office, Ankara, Turkey.

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Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements

Materials requiring specialized equipment for access (film, audio, video, slides) may be closed to research dependent on availability of the applicable equipment.

Brittle or damaged items, or materials otherwise in need of preservation care, may be closed to researchers at the discretion of the RAC Head of Archival Services/Head of Reference.

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Collection Inventory

Belem Virus Laboratory, 1954-1970 (bulk)

Physical Description: 3.52 Cubic Feet 8 document boxes

Arrangement

Series 1 is arranged alphabetically, and primarily further arranged chronologically.

Title/Description	Instances	
Africa		
1956-1961	box 1	folder 1
1962	box 1	folder 2
Brazil except FSEP		
1954-1957	box 1	folder 3

1958	box 1	folder 4
1961-1962	box 1	folder 5
1963	box 1	folder 6
1964	box 1	folder 7
Field Parties, 1959-1965	box 1	folder 8
South America		
1956-1963	box 1	folder 9
1964-1970	box 1	folder 10
Anthropod Borne Virus Information Exchange		
1954-1959	box 2	folder 11
1960-1961	box 2	folder 12
1962-1963	box 2	folder 13
1964 January-February	box 2	folder 14
1964 March-July	box 2	folder 15
1964 August-December	box 2	folder 16
1965 January-March	box 2	folder 17
1965 April-December	box 2	folder 18
Ottis R. Causey		
1959-1963	box 3	folder 19
1964-1970	box 3	folder 20
Cayenne, 1960-1969	box 3	folder 21
Contracts, Agreements and Authorizations	box 3	folder 22
Wilbur G. Downs		
1960-1962	box 3	folder 23
1963	box 3	folder 24
1964	box 3	folder 25
1965-1966	box 3	folder 26
1967	box 3	folder 27
Grants and Fellowships		
1959-1964	box 4	folder 28
1965-1970	box 4	folder 29
National Institute of Health: Arbovirus Reagents		

1963-1964	box 4	folder 30
1964	box 4	folder 31
1964	box 4	folder 32
Other Countries		
1956	box 4	folder 33
1962-1966	box 4	folder 34
1967-1970	box 4	folder 35
Pan American Sanitary Bureau		
1954-1960	box 4	folder 36
1961-1970	box 4	folder 37
Panama: Colombia: Maru: Bethesda		
1956-1961	box 4	folder 38
1962	box 5	folder 39
1963	box 5	folder 40
1964	box 5	folder 41
1965-1970	box 5	folder 42
Personnel	box 5	folder 43
<u>Conditions Governing Access:</u>		
Conditions Governing Access		
Restricted from scholarly access; contains personnel records		
Rio		
1954-1959	box 5	folder 44
1960-1963	box 5	folder 45
Rockefeller Foundation: New York		
1954-1956	box 5	folder 46
1957-1959	box 5	folder 47
1960-1961	box 5	folder 48
1962-1963	box 5	folder 49
1964-1970	box 6	folder 50
Rockefeller Foundation: Virus Labs		
1954-1956	box 6	folder 51
1957-1959	box 6	folder 52

1960	box 6	folder 53
1961	box 6	folder 54
1962-1963	box 6	folder 55
Telegrams		
1955-1958	box 6	folder 56
1959-1962	box 6	folder 57
1963-1965	box 6	folder 58
1966-1968	box 6	folder 59
Trinidad		
1954-1959	box 7	folder 60
1960	box 7	folder 61
1961	box 7	folder 62
1962	box 7	folder 63
1963-1964	box 7	folder 64
1965-1970	box 7	folder 65
USA except Rockefeller Foundation		
1950-1959	box 7	folder 66
1960-1961	box 7	folder 67
1962	box 7	folder 68
1963	box 8	folder 69
1964	box 8	folder 70
1965-1966	box 8	folder 71
1967-1968	box 8	folder 72
1969-1970	box 8	folder 73
Visitors		
1959-1966	box 8	folder 74
1967-1970	box 8	folder 75
Yale Arbovirus Research Unit		
1963-1965	box 8	folder 76
1966-1967	box 8	folder 77
1968-1970	box 8	folder 78

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