



# Auer (John) papers

---

This finding aid was produced using ArchivesSpace on September 18, 2015.

Rockefeller Archive Center

15 Dayton Avenue

Sleepy Hollow 10591

[archive@rockarch.org](mailto:archive@rockarch.org)

URL: <http://www.rockarch.org>

---

## Table of Contents

---

Summary Information .....	3
Biographical/Historical note .....	3
Scope and Contents note .....	5
Arrangement note .....	5
File Plan note .....	5
Administrative Information .....	5
Controlled Access Headings .....	6
Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements .....	6
Collection Inventory .....	7

## Summary Information

---

<b>Repository:</b>	Rockefeller Archive Center
<b>Creator - ctb:</b>	Flexner, Simon
<b>Creator:</b>	Rockefeller University
<b>Creator - aut:</b>	Auer, John
<b>Creator:</b>	Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research
<b>Title:</b>	John Auer papers, Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research Scientific Staff
<b>ID:</b>	FA147
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1901-1931
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.25 Cubic Feet
<b>Physical Description:</b>	31 items and bibliography
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English

### Preferred Citation

Information regarding the Rockefeller Archive Center's preferred elements and forms of citation can be found at <http://www.rockarch.org/research/citations.php>

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

## Biographical/Historical note

---

John Auer, pharmacologist at the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research from 1907 to 1921. Worked in the laboratory of his father-in-law, S.J. Meltzer.

Dr. Auer's association with The Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research began with grant support for a three year period at \$500 a year on researches with Dr. Prudden. When he joined the Institute he worked in the laboratory of S.J. Meltzer who was his father-in-law. His investigations were on: Digestion, respiration and heart. They also, studied the anaphylactic caused functional disturbances; physiological action of various drugs and many studies on war gas, tetanus, reflexes and connective tissue.

Biographical note	
1875	Born March 30, Rochester, New York
1898	S.B. University of Michigan
1902	M.D. Johns Hopkins Medical School
1903	Married October 1 to Clara Meltzer of NYC Children: James, Helen, John
1902-1903	Medical House Officer, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md.
1903-1905	Three year grant from RIMR through T.M. Prudden \$500 for each year; Letter head at the address of 22 Mount Morris Park West, NYC suggests he and his wife Clara Meltzer Auer carried on the private practice of medicine at this period.
1906-1907	Instructor in physiology, Harvard Medical School
1906-1907	Resident Fellow, Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research
1907-1908	Assistant in Physiology, RIMR
1908-1909	Associate in Physiology, RIMR
1909-1921	Associate Member in Physiology and Pharmacology, RIMR
1921-	Professor of Pharmacology and Director of the department St. Louis University School of Medicine
1924-	Also Pharmacologist St. Mary's Group of Hospitals, St. Louis
1948	Died April 30

Member of: American Physiological Society, American Society of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics; Secretary 1912-1916; President 1924-1927, Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine; Vice-President 1917-1919, Association of American Physicians, Harvey Society, St. Louis Academy of Sciences, St. Louis Medical Society, Maj. M.O.R.C. 1917-1922

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

---

## Scope and Contents note

---

9 pages of bibliography.

The only pictures of Dr. Auer in the University photo collection are those with Dr. Meltzer's laboratory group. Dr. Auer has been identified by Dr. H. Kunkel.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

---

## Arrangement note

---

Arranged in chronological order.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

---

## File Plan note

---

Former Classification: I 450 Au34

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

---

## Administrative Information

---

### Publication Statement

Rockefeller Archive Center

15 Dayton Avenue  
Sleepy Hollow 10591  
[archive@rockarch.org](mailto:archive@rockarch.org)  
URL: <http://www.rockarch.org>

## Revision Description

Paper finding aid converted to EAD/XML by AureXus in 2010. Imported into the Archvists' Toolkit by Becky Robbins. 24 August 2010

## Conditions Governing Access note

This collection is open for research.

## Processing Information

Collection is housed in 1 box.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

---

## Controlled Access Headings

---

- Medical education
- Flexner, Simon
- Rockefeller University
- Auer, John
- Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research

---

## 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.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

## Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances
John Auer papers	box 1
J.A. to L.E. Holt Thanks on appointment as Fellow 1904-1905, 1904 June 23	
J.A. to S. Flexner Thanks on appointment to Asst. 1907-1908, 1907 April 25	
J.A. to L.E. Holt Thanks on appointment to Asst. 1907-1908, 1907 April 29	
J.A. to L.E. Holt Accept appointment as Associate, 1908 June 1	
Bus. Mgr. to A.J. Sheldon. Introducing J.A., 1915 July 26	
H. James to J.A. re intro to A.J. Sheldon, 1915 July 26	
H. James to J.A. re assembly hall use, 1916 November 28	
Bus. Mgr. to J.A. Ex. Com. vote to allow lectures for an honorarium, 1917 December 26	
Acting Bus. Mgr. to J.A. with Dr. Flexner's request that only dogs immediately required be retained, 1918 July 25	
S. Flexner to secretary, handwritten note re Ex. Com. consent to Auer lecture for honorarium, undated	
S.A. Brown to S. Flexner appreciation of J.A., substitution in pharmacology course for Prof. Wallace, 1918 June 18	
Acting Bus. Mgr. to J.A. re basement centrifuge room, 1919 January 2	
H.D. Senior to S. Flexner re J.A. continued substitution for Dr. Wallace, 1919 January 31	
Secretary to S. Flexner reporting J.A. willingness to continue substitution despite drain on time, 1919 February 1	
S. Flexner to H.D. Senior Consent for J.A. to continue substitution, 1919 February 5	
H.D. Senior to S. Flexner Thank you, 1919 February 6	
Bus. Mgr. to J.A. on building places for equipment, 1919 August 14	
Bus. Mgr. to J.A. request for suggestions for National Vigilance Committee, 1919 December 5	
J.A. to L.E. Holt Acknowledgement of appointment as Assoc. Member, 1920 June 18	

---

J.A. to S. Flexner resignation to accept appt at St. Louis  
University School of Medicine Aug. 1, 1921, 1920 December 7

---

J.A. to S. Flexner to discontinue for Mrs. Meltzer secretarial help,  
1921 January 22

---

Secretary to J.A. Acceptance of resignation, 1921 January 24

---

J.A. to E.B. Smith on insufflations apparatus of Dr. Meltzer, 1921  
September 21

---

Clara Meltzer Auer to Mr. Robertson thanks and return of Institute  
check after mother's death, 1923 January 8

---

S. Flexner to Clara Meltzer Auer sympathy on mother's death,  
1923 January 11

---

Clara Meltzer Auer to S. Flexner thanks for sympathy letter, 1923  
January 21

---

J.A. to E.B. Smith accepting designation as delegate of RI at  
inauguration of Dr. Hadley, 1923 November 5

---

J.A. to S. Flexner on type of animal incinerator in use at R.I., 1927  
April 20

---

Asst. Bus. Mgr. to J.A. reply on animal incineratory, 1927 April  
25

---

J.A. to Stanley Howe thanks for information on animal  
incinerator, 1927 April 29

---