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Summary Information

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Biographical / Historical

Hugh Hollingsworth Smith was born in Easley, South Carolina, on December 12, 1902. He received an A.B. degree from Davidson College in 1923, an M.D. from Johns Hopkins University in 1927, and an M.P.H. from Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health in 1935.

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Dr. Smith contributed articles to a variety of medical journals including Arizona Medicine and was a coauthor of "Yellow Fever," ed. G. K. Strode, 1951. In 1978 he published his memoirs, "Life's a Pleasant Institution: The Peregrinations of a Rockefeller Doctor." He died in December 1995.

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Scope and Contents

Important subjects in this collection include arbovirus research, encephalitis, International Health Division, microbiology, public health, Rockefeller Foundation reorganizations, Rockefeller Foundation virus labs, tick fever, tuberculosis, and yellow fever.

Among the correspondents are Richard Anderson, Marston Bates, Henry Beeuwkes, George Bevier, H. R. Carter, Wilbur Downs, John Ferrell, Lewis Hackett, J. G. Harrar, Rolla Hill, Wilson Jameson, Edwin Lennette, Dean Rusk, F. F. Russell, W. A. Sawyer, Hugh H. Smith, G. K. Strode, Richard Taylor, Andrew Topping, Thomas Turner, Andrew J. Warren, B. E. Washburn, John Weir, and Telford Work.

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Arrangement

There are three series in the Hugh Smith collection:

Series 1 - 1931-1967 Series 2 - 1927-1988

Series 1020 - Photographs

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

The papers of Hugh H. Smith were first deposited with The Rockefeller Foundation Archives in June 1968, by Hugh H. Smith. Later additions were received by The Rockefeller University as a gift from Dr. Smith in 1987 and 1988.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Public health
- Biology -- Research
- Medical research
- Tuberculosis
- Arboviruses
- Yellow fever
- Microbiology
- Encephalitis

Collection Inventory

1931-1967

Scope and Contents

Within Series 1, there are two groupings of material: the Rockefeller Foundation group and the virus group. The Rockefeller Foundation group consists of material which pertains to Dr. Smith's formal association with the Foundation and his correspondence with members of the Foundation after he retired. Correspondence forms the bulk of the group but there are also reports and diaries included.

The Series 1 section on viruses contains material from the Rockefeller virus labs as well as Dr. Smith's own activities in arbovirus research in Arizona. It consists mainly of correspondence. Professional interests note a variety of activities in which Dr. Smith was involved either in his association with the University of Arizona or through his membership in medical and public health organizations.

Arrangement

Series 1 is generally chronological in arrangement.

Title/Description	Instances		
Rockefeller Foundation, 1930-1966	box 1	folder 1	
Rockefeller Foundation, 1930-1966	box 1	folder 2	
Rockefeller Foundation, 1930-1966	box 1	folder 3	
Rockefeller Foundation, 1930-1966	box 1	folder 4	
Rockefeller Foundation, 1930-1966	box 1	folder 5	
Rockefeller Foundation, 1930-1966	box 1	folder 6	
Rockefeller Foundation, 1930-1966	box 1	folder 7	
"Comments on the Future of the International Health Division (IHD)"	box 1	folder 8	

"Results of Vaccination with Heat-Killed Tubercle Baccili at the Mental Hospital, Kingston, Jamaica. 1931-1934", 1931-1934	box 1	folder 9
"Twenty Years Progress in Health Work in the U.S. 1910-1930", 1910-1930	box 1	folder 10
Yellow Fever - West Africa, 1921-1934	box 1	folder 11
Yellow Fever Vaccine	box 1	folder 12
Diary - A. Mahaffey, February-September 1928	box 2	folder 13
Diary - W. A. Sawyer, October 1932	box 2	folder 14
Diary - A. M. Walcott, 1928-1931	box 2	folder 15
Diary - A. M. Walcott, 1928-1931	box 2	folder 16
Diary - A. M. Walcott, 1928-1931	box 2	folder 17
Diary - A. M. Walcott, 1928-1931	box 2	folder 18
T. B. Haynes - Death, 1930	box 2	folder 19
Hideyo Noguchi - Death, 1928	box 2	folder 20
Adrian Stokes - Death, 1927	box 2	folder 21
W. A. Young - Death, 1928	box 2	folder 22
Yellow Fever Reports	box 2	folder 23
"Controlling Yellow Fever"	box 2	folder 24
Yellow Fever - "The Plague Killers"	box 2	folder 25
Yellow Fever - Bibliography and Abstracts	box 2	folder 26
West Africa	box 2	folder 27
Virus, 1936-1966	box 3	folder 28
Virus, 1936-1966	box 3	folder 29
Virus, 1936-1966	box 3	folder 30
Virus, 1936-1966	box 3	folder 31
Professional Interests, 1954-1966	box 3	folder 32
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Personal Correspondence, 1947-1967	box 4	folder 37
Personal Correspondence, 1947-1967	box 3	folder 38
Christmas Cards	box 4	folder 39

History of Microbiology Lecture, 1964	box 4	folder 40	
"Something Curious in the Medical Line", 1963	box 4	folder 41	
Reprints	box 4	folder 42	
"Life's a Pleasant Institution: The Peregrinations of a Rockefeller Doctor", 1975	box 4	folder 43	
"A Place to Meet" (Villa Serbelloni), 1968	box 4	folder 44	

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1927-1988

Scope and Contents

The bulk of the material in Series 2 is correspondence, which has a chronological arrangement. The correspondence falls into two broad categories. The first is letters to Dr. Smith from friends and colleagues of The Rockefeller Foundation, the International Health Division, and the scientific community. These are mostly personal but do cover some professional matters. The other category of correspondence is letters between Dr. Smith and his wife, Mary.

Series 2 also contains two folders of reprints and pamphlets on Dr. Smith's medical and scientific research, two folders of miscellanea from his personal life, and other material documenting his personal and professional interests and activities.

Arrangement

Series 2 is arranged alphabetically by type of material.

Title/Description	Instances	
Clippings, 1938-1985, n.d.	box 5	folder 45
Correspondence - University of Rochester School of Medicine, 1927-1933	box 5	folder 46
Correspondence - Jamaica, 1933-1936, 1939, n.d.	box 5	folder 47
Correspondence - Friends and Associates, 1940-1987, n.d.	box 5	folder 48
Correspondence - Friends and Associates, 1940-1987, n.d.	box 5	folder 49
Correspondence - Friends and Associates, 1940-1987, n.d.	box 5	folder 50
Correspondence - Friends and Associates, 1940-1987, n.d.	box 5	folder 51
Correspondence - Hugh and Mary Smith, 1945-1969, n.d.	box 5	folder 52
Correspondence - Hugh and Mary Smith, 1945-1969, n.d.	box 5	folder 53
Greeting Cards	box 6	folder 54
Invitations and Honors, 1931-1944	box 6	folder 55
Memberships, 1937-1963	box 6	folder 56
Military Records, 1943-1946	box 6	folder 57

Miscellanea, n.d., 1927-1958	box 6	folder 58	
Miscellanea, 1968-1988	box 6	folder 59	
"Notes on the Tucson Society of Tropical Medicine", 1985	box 6	folder 60	
Publications and Reprints, 1936-1939, 1941-1985	box 6	folder 61	
Publications and Reprints, 1936-1939, 1941-1985	box 6	folder 62	
Travel Documents, 1934-1966	box 6	folder 63	

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Hugh H. Smith photographs, 1932-1965

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Controlled Access Headings:

• Photographs			
Title/Description	Instances		
Hugh H. Smith, 1937-1939	box 6	folder 51	
Scope and Contents note			
Vaccinations, diseases, yellow fever, laboratories, Brazil.			
Hugh H. Smith, 1937-1940	box 6	folder 52	
Scope and Contents note			
Yellow fever, diseases, Brazil, laboratories.			
Hugh H. Smith, 1932-1957	box 6	folder 53	
Scope and Contents note			
Yellow fever, Colombia, Jamaica, homes, diseases.			
Hugh H. Smith, 1933-1965	box 6	folder 54	
Scope and Contents note			
Jamaica, diseases, tuberculosis, wards, Egypt, pyramids, Smith family, Colombia, ceremonies.			
Brazil	box 6	folder 55	
Scope and Contents note			
Diseases, yellow fever, Brazil, vaccinations, laboratories.			
Colombia	box 6	folder 56	
Scope and Contents note			
Yellow fever, diseases, laboratories.			
Egypt	box 6	folder 57	
Scope and Contents note			
Mosquitos, diseases, field studies.			
Family	box 6	folder 58	
Scope and Contents note			
Smith family, children.			
Friends and Associates	box 6	folder 59	

Scope and Contents note

Children, parties.

India	box 6	folder 60	
Scope and Contents note			
Diseases, monuments, Taj Mahal.			
Jamaica	box 6	folder 61	
Scope and Contents note			
Diseases, tuberculosis, Rockefeller Foundation staff, insane asylums.			
Johns Hopkins University	box 6	folder 62	
Scope and Contents note			
Hospitals, schools, staff, Students.			
Rockefeller Foundation and Related Colleagues	box 6	folder 63	
Scope and Contents note			
RF Staff.			
Hugh H. Smith	box 6	folder 64	
Scope and Contents note			
Children, clubs, homes.			
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Scope and Contents note

Yellow fever, diseases, health officials, portraits, group portraits.

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