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**Finding Aid To
THE GEORGE MURPHY, MD (1918-1987) PAPERS**

**Dates of Papers:
1943-1986**

**20 Linear Inches
(4 Boxes)**

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NOTE OF PROVENANCE

An unknown donor gave the records to the Medical Center Archives in September 1987.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

George Murphy was born in 1918 in Kansas City, Missouri. He attended the University of Kansas and University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. He completed his residency at Johns Hopkins University and later served on a navy hospital ship as a Laboratory officer. In 1947, he was hired as an Assistant Physician at the Rockefeller Institute. He joined the Cornell University Medical College staff in 1954 as Associate Professor of Pathology. In 1968 he was promoted to Professor of Pathology at Cornell and he rose to the rank of Attending Pathologist at New York Hospital.

He was known for his research in rheumatic fever and immunologic injury in cardiovascular disease. He also researched streptococcal biology, immunofluorescence microscopy, complement chemistry and experimental animals models of disease. He was held in high regard by his students who worked with him in his laboratory.

Later in life, he and his wife, Annette Cross, worked to save the buildings of an asphalt plant on York Avenue and 90th Street. The factory was made into the George and Annette Murphy Arts and Sports Complex in 1984. He died on July 15, 1987 of cancer.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTES

The papers are organized into four series: General Correspondence (1950-1985), Cross Foundation (1959-1986), Research Files (1939-1976) and Reprints (1943-1973).

General Correspondence, 1950-1985

The General Correspondence files are arranged alphabetically by subject. The correspondence is mostly between Dr. Murphy and various doctors and other people regarding his research activities.

Cross Foundation, 1959-1986

The Cross Foundation files are broken down into minutes, correspondence, reports and reprints. The foundation provided grants to the Pathology Department of the New York Cornell Medical Center for conducting their research in cardiovascular and renal diseases.

Research Files, 1939-1976

The research files are arranged alphabetically by subject. They contain Murphy and other Cornell pathologists' research on rheumatic fever, cardiovascular disease and immunofluorescence microscopy research.

Reprints, 1943-1973

The reprints series is organized chronologically. Reprints from Columbia University and Rockefeller Institute are included.

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

BOX 1: GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

Folder	Description
1	Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, 1976
2	Claremont University Center, 1971
3	Cousins, Norman
4	Harden, Nicholas J. (student)
5	McMillan Contract, 1975-1976
6	Minick, C. Richard, MD, 1972-1979
7	Miscellaneous, 1968-1976
8	Murphy, Alice
9	Personal Correspondence, 1960-1961
10	Reprint Requests and Thank You Notes, 1959-1963
11	Richardson, Jeanne, MD, 1984-1985
12	Rios, Nester, 1972
13	Sigma Xi, 1975
14	"T", Correspondence, 1948-1971
15	Takizawa, Nobujro, 1959-1962
16	Talbot, John, MD, 1959-1968
17	Taran, Leo, MD, 1950-1951
18	Thomas, Lewis, MD, 1951-1971
19	Tislow, Richard, MD, 1950
20	Town Hall Inc., 1951-1955
21	Travers, F. A., 1956-1957
22	Umlas, Joel, MD, 1960-1970
23	University of Kansas City, 1950-1951
24	University of Missouri, 1971
25	"V", Correspondence, 1949-1973
26	Vickery, Carlin, MD, 1985
27	"W" Correspondence, 1946-1983
28	Wahmann, G. Harry, 1955
29	Waksman, Bryon, MD, 1967-1968

30	Wadsworth, Homer, 1950-1960
31	Wavery Press, 1960
32	Wenner, Herbert, 1952-1959
33	West, Kenneth (Hallmark Cards), 1960-1968
34	Williams, Hibbard, MD, 1964-1976
35	Williams & Wilkens Company, 1961-1966
36	Wilson, May, MD
37	"Y", "Z", Correspondence, 1950-1976
38	Zeiss, Carl Inc., 1961-1963
39	Zingg, Peter, 1955-1972
40	Zwingle, J. L., 1955-1956

BOX 2: CROSS FOUNDATION

Folder	Description
1	Minutes, 1971
2	Correspondence, 1959-1969
3	Correspondence, 1970-1979
4	Correspondence, 1980-1987
5	Proposals and Requests, 1967-1971
6	Progress Reports of Research, December 1, 1963-November 30, 1969
7	Progress Reports of Research, December 1, 1964-November 30, 1966
8	Progress Reports of Research, December 1, 1969-September 30, 1970
9	Progress Reports of Research, ca. 1970
10	Progress Reports of Research, February 20, 1981
11	Progress Reports of Research, February 15, 1984
12	Progress Reports of Research, February 1, 1985
13	Progress Reports of Research, n.d.
14	Report of Research, July 1, 1966-June 30, 1967
15	Report of Research, December 15, 1967
16	Report of Research, December 1, 1971-June 15, 1972
17	Report of Research, February 1, 1972-January 31, 1973
18	Report of Research, April 1, 1972-March 30, 1973
19	Report of Research, July 1, 1972-June 15, 1973
20	Report of Research, December 1, 1973-January 15, 1974
21	Report of Research, January 1, 1974-March 31, 1975
22	Report of Research, January 1, 1975-December 31, 1975
23	Report of Research, April 1, 1975-December 31, 1976
24	Report of Research, January 1-December 31, 1978
25	Report of Research, March 2, 1982
26	Report of Research, March 20, 1983
27	Report of Research, February 25, 1986

- 28 Abstracts of Papers, funded by the Cross Foundation
29 Reprints of Articles funded by the Cross Foundation, 1976-1981

BOX 3: RESEARCH FILES

Folder	Description
1	Burkholder, Dr., illustrations research with rabbits
2	Bypass Activation of Complement of Streptococci, by Gene Resnick, student, 1974
3	Cardiovascular Research, autopsies cases, 1939-1968
4	Cardiovascular Research, Council of Tobacco Research Inc., grant, 1974
5	Cardiovascular Research, graphs
6	Cardiovascular Research, Minick, C. Richard, research by
7	Cardiovascular Research, Rippel Foundation, grant, 1976
8	Effects of Hydralazine on Experimental Animals, n.d.
9	Experimental Production of Glomerulonephritis, project proposal, 1961
10	Immunofluorescence Microscopy Immunofluorescence Microscopy Book 1 Immunofluorescence Microscopy Book 2
11	Pharmacodynamics, n.d.
12	Rheumatic Fever Research, article, n.d.
13	Rheumatic Fever Research, notes, n.d.
14	Rheumatic Fever Research, rabbit research, n.d.
15	Rheumatic Fever Research, student papers, n.d.

BOX 4: REPRINTS

Folder	Description
1	Bibliography
2	Reprints: George Murphy, 1943-1959
3	Reprints: George Murphy, 1960-1969
3	Reprints: Columbia University
4	Reprints: Rockefeller Institute
5	Reprints: Swift, Homer (Murphy's collaborator)