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Collection Overview

Repository: Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Creator: Kisch, Bruno Z., 1890-1966
Title: Dr. Bruno Z. Kisch Papers
Quantity: 3.5 cubic feet, 11 boxes
Language: English

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition
Collection transferred by Ruth Kisch.

Ownership and Custodial History
Donated to the National Museum of American History in 1971 by Dr. Kisch's widow.
Transferred to the Archives Center in 2003.

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Biographical Note
A Jewish physician from Czechoslovakia who escaped the Holocaust, Kisch was a pioneer in the field of cardiology, especially the microscopic structure of cardiac musculature. Kisch held professorships at Yale
and Yeshiva Universities, and was for a time President of the American College of Cardiology, which he helped found.

Scope and Content Note

Contains correspondence, most relating to Kisch's service as President of the American College of Cardiology; photomicrographs, of animal tissue specimens; writings and notes; notebooks on Dr. Kisch's experimentation and research, including many electrocardiograms; and printed material, such as medical journals containing articles by Dr. Kisch, and reprints of articles by Dr. Kisch.

Arrangement

Divided into 5 series: Series 1, Personal materials; Series 2, Correspondence; Series 3, Notebooks; Series 4, Photographs, Micrographs and Negatives; and Series 5, Publications.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:
  Cardiology
  Electron microscopy
  Medical sciences
  Medicine--Research
  Microscopy
  Physicians

Types of Materials:
  Correspondence--20th century
  Electron micrographs
  Laboratory notebooks
  Photographs--Black-and-white negatives--Glass--1890-1920
  Photomicrographs
  Reprints
  Technical literature

Names:
  Science, Medicine and Society, Division of (NMAH, SI).