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MS 2245 Ancient Cherokee Formulas

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Anthropological Archives
<b>Title:</b>	MS 2245 Ancient Cherokee Formulas
<b>Date:</b>	1888
<b>Identifier:</b>	NAA.MS2245
<b>Creator:</b>	Mooney, James, 1861-1921 (Collector) Ino:li, -1885 Swimmer, 1833 or 1834-1899 Takwatihi (Cherokee) Ahwanita (Cherokee) Wilnoti (Cherokee)
<b>Extent:</b>	259 Items (formulae ) 201 Pages
<b>Language:</b>	In the Sequoya syllabary

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## Administrative Information

### Provenance

These manuscripts were purchased for the Bureau about the year 1890.

### Citation

Manuscript 2245, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

### Restrictions

Cherokee formulae are restricted due to cultural sensitivity. These folders cannot be reproduced or published without permission of the tribe. This collection contains content that may be culturally sensitive.

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## Biographical / Historical

For description of this volume and history of its preparation, see 7th Annual Report, B. A. E., page 317.

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## Biographical / Historical

Latter portion incomplete: Not turned in September 29, 1903.

## Scope and Contents

Cherokee Sacred Formulas: About 600 formulas recorded in the Cherokee characters, devised by George Guess, and obtained from several sources, and comprising the Swimmer, the Gahuni, the Gatigwanasti, the Inali, the Tsiskwa, the A'wanita and the Takwatihi manuscripts.

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## Scope and Contents

Of these formulas, about one third has been transliterated, translated and explained, with an accompanying glossary of about 2,000 words; this portion would make about 200 pages foolscap., and was prepared about 1890. A number of these formulas has been published in the 7th Annual Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology.

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## Local Numbers

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## Translation of Title

The Kanâheta Ani-Tsalage Eti

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Cherokee  
Language and languages -- Documentation

Cultures:

Cherokee