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## Collection Overview

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<b>Language:</b>	English  This collection is in English.
<b>Summary:</b>	This collection consists of drawings, manuals, reports, documents, and data relating to the Cosmos Primate Rotator Chair.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

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### Processing Information

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## Biographical / Historical

The Cosmos Rotator Chair is a primate chair, designed and built to test the neuro-optical response of primates when orbiting the Earth in microgravity. The objective of this experiment was to study primate eye movement responses in an upright position and at various angles of tilt, before and after spaceflight.

Neurokinetics of Pittsburgh designed and built the object to the specifications of Dr. Bernard Cohen of Mount Sinai School of Medicine and Dr. Inessa Kozlovskaya of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Biomedical Problems. This chair was built in the United States, shipped to Russia and flown on Cosmos Biosatellite 2044.

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No arrangement.

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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:

- Astronautics
- Manned space flight
- Primates
- Technical manuals

Types of Materials:

- Technical drawings