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Summary Information

**Repository:** M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives

**Title:** Salome Gluecksohn-Waelsch Papers

**ID:** ger117

**Date [inclusive]:** 1928-1998

**Physical Description:** 27 cubic ft.

**Physical Location:** The materials are located onsite in the department.

**Language of the Material:** English.

**Mixed Materials [Collection]:** X

**Abstract:** Salome Gluecksohn-Waelsch's papers include correspondence; biographical material, including awards, citations, and diplomas; grant applications; reviews; publications; National Academy of Science files; conference, seminar, and lecture materials; photographs; and an extensive reprint collection in the field of genetics.

**Preferred Citation**

Preferred citation for this material is as follows:

Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, Salome Gluecksohn-Waelsch Papers, 1928-1998. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the Gluecksohn-Waelsch Papers).

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**Historical Note**

Dr. Salome Gluecksohn-Waelsch (1907-2007) received her Ph.D. from the University of Freiburg, Germany in 1932. As a Jewish scientist, she was fired from her academic position at the University of Berlin and forced to flee Hitler's Germany one year later with her first husband, biochemist Rudolf Schoenheimer. After a period of three years without employment, her first position in the United States came in 1936 as a research associate at Columbia University, a position she held for 19 years. Finally,
In 1955, she was offered a full-time faculty position in the Department of Genetics at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine where she developed one of the first genetics courses given at any medical school in the United States.

It was not until late in her career and later in life that Gluecksohn-Waelsch was recognized for her major contributions in developmental genetics. Among these awards, in 1979, Gluecksohn-Waelsch was elected to the National Academy of Sciences and, in 1993, she was awarded the National Medal of Science.

Scope and Contents

The collection contains Salome Gluecksohn-Waelsch's correspondence, biographical material, including awards, citations, diplomas, grant applications, reviews, publications, National Academy of Science files, conference, seminar and lecture materials, photographs, and extensive reprint collection in the field of genetics.

Arrangement of the Collection

The collection is unprocessed and is likely disorganized. Individual items may be difficult to find.

Administrative Information

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Acquisition Information

All items in this collection were transferred to the University Libraries, M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives in 2005 by Peter Waelsch, son of Dr. Salome Gluecksohn-Waelsch.

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