

Guide to the Neurological Sciences Institute Records (NSI) 2008-004

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Summary Information

Repository	Oregon Health & Science University Historical Collections & Archives
Creator	Neurological Sciences Institute (NSI).
Title	Neurological Sciences Institute Records (NSI)
Date [bulk]	Bulk, 1986-1998
Date [inclusive]	1960-2006
Extent	1.5 Linear feet 3 archives boxes
Location	Archives, Room 440, Old Library, Marquam Hill Campus
Language	English
Abstract	<p>The Neurological Sciences Institute (NSI) was founded by Robert S. Dow, M.D., Ph.D., the first board certified neurologist in Oregon in 1959, and formally established in 1975. The NSI moved from the Good Samaritan Hospital and Medical Center in Portland, Oregon to the Oregon Health Sciences University in 1998. The records consist of administrative materials created by the NSI, including Planning Committee, Science Committee, and Research Task Force records; meeting materials; annual reports; 2 NSI presentation videos; and staff birthday celebration materials.</p>

Preferred Citation

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Administrative History

The Neurological Sciences Institute began as the Laboratory of Neurophysiology at the Good Samaritan Hospital and Medical Center in Portland, Oregon in 1959. Robert S. Dow, M.D., Ph.D., the first board certified neurologist in the state of Oregon, was the laboratory's founder, bringing together a team of scientists interested in the function of the cerebellum. The NSI was formally established in 1975 and expanded to include scientists interested in many areas of neuroscience. In 1998, because it represented a bridge between basic and clinical neuroscience, the NSI was invited to join OHSU. The institute moved to a laboratory facility on the OHSU West Campus in Hillsboro, Oregon in 2000. Now called the Brain Institute, the department currently (2014) resides on the main OHSU campus on Marquam Hill in Portland, Oregon.

The NSI focuses on the need to bring high quality, interdisciplinary basic and applied scientific research to a variety of clinically relevant problems of the brain and sensory systems. The department has an outstanding track record of ground-breaking research and federal funding. Their mission is to advance knowledge of the brain and neurological disorders, and to translate that knowledge into new approaches for diagnoses, treatments, cures and prevention. Therefore, NSI investigators are dedicated, not only to gaining new knowledge about our brains and how they shape who we are, but also translating that knowledge into advancements of the clinical management of neurological disorders- one of the most widespread and devastating problems faced by our society today.

Scope and Contents

The records consist of administrative materials created by the Neurological Sciences Institute, including Planning Committee, Science Committee, and Research Task Force records; meeting materials; annual reports; 2 NSI presentation videos; and staff birthday celebration materials.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Acquisition Information

Interim director of the Neurological Sciences Institute, Jeri S. Janowsky, transferred the materials from NSI to the archives. Materials were created by NSI staff. Archivist Karen Peterson accessioned the materials on February 28, 2008.

Related Materials

Related Archival Materials

Digital Commons:

See the OHSU Digital Commons for images of the OHSU Neurological Sciences Institute building exterior and interior as well as photographs of NSI staff.

Archival Collections:

Robert Stone Dow Papers, Accession no. 2008-003

Biographical Files:

See the Biographical Files for more information about the life and work of former University of Oregon Medical School student and NSI founder, Robert Stone Dow, M.D., Ph.D.

Controlled Access Headings

Function(s)

- Administrative Records

Occupation(s)

- Neurologists - Oregon

Personal Name(s)

- Dow, Robert Stone, M.D., 1908-1995
- Janowsky, Jeri

Subject(s)

- Medicine and Health
- Neurology
- Oregon

Other Finding Aids

The following institutions contain archival collections related to neuroscience.

Archives of the Society for Neuroscience in Anesthesiology and Critical Care (SNACC), Wood Library-Museum of Anesthesiology

<http://woodlibrarymuseum.org/archives/finding.php?id=156>

American Neurological Association. Records, University of Chicago Library

<http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/scrc/findingaids/view.php?eadid=ICU.SPCL.CRMS56>

Technical Access

A VHS player is required for viewing the 2 videotapes in box 3. A cd-rom disk drive is required for viewing materials on the 3 CDs in box 3.

Box 1

Collection Inventory

Box 1

File 1

NSI Planning Committee records, 1986-1993

File 2

NSI Long Term Plan, 1958-1990

File 3-4

Pending meetings, 1990-1998

File 5

Robert Stone Dow Neurological Sciences Institute staff meetings, 1997-1998

File 6

Box 1

Science Council and Operations Committee, 1976-1985

File 7

Research Task Force, 1960-1991

Box 2

File 1-3

NSI administrative - meetings, seminars, logs, memorandums, committees, planning, and reports, 1973-1995

File 4

Operations policy, 1981-1996

File 5

Fundraising and strategic planning, 1987-1992

Box 3

OHSU: Neurological Sciences Institute, Creating Hope Through Research - video

Box 1

R. S. Dow Neurological Sciences Institute - video

File 1

NSI brochures, circa 1980s-1990s

File 2

Annual reports, 1987-1988

File 3

Annual reports, 1990-1993

File 4

Annual reports, 1995-1998

File 5

Staff birthday presentations, 2001-2006

Material Specific Details

Box 1

Includes three cd-rom disks, 2 with photographs of NSI staff, the other with birthday celebration posters.