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Louisa Gross Horwitz Prize committee records, 1967-1972.

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HISTORICAL/BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: The Louisa Gross Horwitz Prize for Biology or Biochemistry was established by the will of S. Gross Horwitz through a bequest to Columbia University. It is named after the donor's mother, Louisa Gross Horwitz, the daughter of Dr. Samuel David Gross (1805–1884) a prominent American surgeon. The prize is administered by Columbia's medical school, the Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons and was first awarded in 1967. The Horwitz Prize has come to be seen as a predictor of future Nobel Prize winners in Medicine/Physiology or Chemistry and about half of Horwitz awardees have later been named Nobel laureates.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: Records of the Louisa Gross Horwitz Prize Committee, 1967-1972, including correspondence, nomination forms, publicity materials, and photographs. The records cover every part of the process from nominations to the award dinner. The records appear to have been created by Dr. John Taggart, chairman of the committee in the 1960s and 1970s. Recipients of the prize covered by these records were Luis F. Leloir (1967); Marshall W. Nirenberg and Har Gobind Khorana (1968); Max Delbrück and Salvador E. Luria (1969); Albert Claude, George E. Palade, and Keith R. Porter (1970); Hugh E. Huxley (1971); and Stephen W. Kuffler (1972).

LANGUAGE: English.

ACCESS: Open.

PROVENANCE: Transfer from University Archives, 2018 (accession #2018.018).

RELATED RECORDS: Central Records of the Office of the Vice President for Health Sciences/Dean of the Faculty of Medicine have additional Louisa Gross Horwitz Prize records.

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PROCESSING NOTE: The accession as received had photocopies of nomination forms for the winners of the 1982 Horwitz Prize. They were discarded after it was determined that the originals of these were located in the Office of the Vice President for Health Sciences' Central Records.

Subjects

Biochemistry – Awards.

Biology – Awards.

Science – Awards.

Photographs.

Records processed and finding aid written by Stephen E. Novak, 2021.

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Container List			
Box	Fo.	Title	Dates
1	1	Leloir, Luis F., 1967: Correspondence, Clippings, etc.	1966-1967
1	2	Leloir, Luis F., 1967: Photographs	1967
1	3	Nirenberg, Marshall, 1968: Correspondence, Clippings	1967-68
1	4	Khorana, Hargobind, 1968: Correspondence, Clippings, etc.	1967-68
1	5	Nirenberg/Khorana, 1968: Photographs	5/21/1905
1	6	Delbruck, Max, & Luria, Salvadore E., 1969: Correspondence, Clippings	1968-69
1	7	Delbruck, Max, & Luria, Salvadore E., 1969: Photographs	
1	8	Claude, A.; Palade, G.; Porter, K., 1970: Correspondence, Clippings	1969-70
2	1	Claude, A.; Palade, G.; Porter, K., 1970: Photographs	1970
2	2	Huxley, Hugh E., 1971: Correspondence, Clippings, etc.	1969-71
2	3	Huxley, Hugh E., 1971: Photographs	1971
2	4	Kuffler, Stephen W., 1972: Correspondence, Clippings, etc.	1970-72
2	5	Kuffler, Stephen W., 1972: Photographs	1972