

Dr. Eduard Uhlenhuth Papers

Dates Created: 1920-1979

Extent: .42 linear feet or 1 clamshell box

Creators: Uhlenhuth, Eduard

Subjects:

Uhlenhuth, Eduard; Anatomy.; Anatomy—education.; Anatomists.; University of Maryland, Baltimore; University of Maryland, Baltimore. School of Medicine; Medical education.

Abstract:

Dr. Eduard Uhlenhuth was a professor of Anatomy at the University of Maryland School of Medicine from 1925 until his retirement in 1955. In 1957 he was named professor emeritus. He was an avid book collector amassing an extensive collection of Anatomy Texts for the department during his tenure. This collection includes correspondence about the purchase of these texts as well as publications about the collection. In addition to the Anatomy books, the papers include biographical materials and publications. The majority of the Department of Anatomy Book collection remains in the Historical Collections Department.

Biographical History:

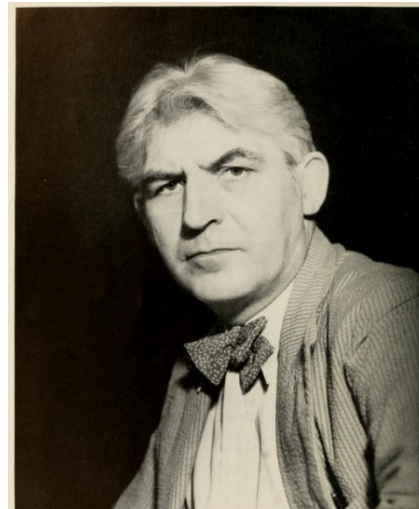
Eduard Uhlenhuth was born in Wolkersdorf, Austria on July 19, 1885 and was educated in Vienna receiving his PhD from the University of Vienna in 1911. In 1914, after three years as a research assistant at the Biologische Versuchsanstalt in Vienna, he became a Fellow at the Rockefeller Institute in New York. While in New York, he met and married Elizabeth Martha Baier. In 1925, Dr. Uhlenhuth accepted the position of Associate Professor of Anatomy at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. In 1934, Dr. Uhlenhuth was named Chairman of the Department of Gross Anatomy and in 1949 Chairman of the combined Anatomy department. Retiring in 1955, he continued working in the School of Medicine as Research Professor until 1957, when he was named a professor emeritus. Dr. Uhlenhuth passed away on May 5, 1961.

Dr. Uhlenhuth was an avid researcher and book collector. His research has been broken down into three areas: Amphibia, anatomy and physiology of the hypophysis and thyroid glands, and finally on the anatomy of the pelvis. He also believed in the value of studying ancient and historic anatomical texts. He established the Anatomical Book collection in the Anatomy Department by purchasing valuable anatomy texts, including *De Medicina* (1497), the oldest volume in the Historical Collections. The Anatomical Library collection was transferred to the Health Sciences and Human Services Library sometime after Dr. Uhlenhuth's death.

Scope and Content:

1 box, 23 folders

This collection is divided into three (3) series: Biographical Materials (1950-1979 and undated), Anatomical Library Materials (1943-1971 and undated), and Research and Publications (1920-1940).



Series:

Series 1 – Biographical Materials (1950-1979, undated)

Box 1, 7 folders

The Biographical/Personal Materials series contains items about Dr. Eduard Uhlenhuth's life. It includes his curriculum vitae, correspondence, newspaper clippings, programs from the unveiling of his portrait, and memorial materials. These materials shed light on both Dr. Uhlenhuth's professional and personal life. Items date from 1950 to 1979 and undated.

Content Listing:

- Folder 1. Curriculum Vitae, 1956
- Folder 2. Correspondence, 1953-1961
- Folder 3. Photograph, undated
- Folder 4. Honors Events, 1950-1958
- Folder 5. Memorials, 1961-1963
- Folder 6. Newspaper Clippings – use copies, 1955-1979
- Folder 7. Newspaper Clippings – originals, 1955-1979 – Restricted use use copies

Series 2 – Anatomical Library Materials (1943-1971, undated)

Box 1, 9 folders

The Anatomical Library Materials Series includes information and correspondences about the volumes in the Anatomical Library of the Anatomy Department. Dr. Uhlenhuth was the curator of the Anatomy Department Library. He actively sought out new titles for the collection and wrote articles about the collection. The library was transferred to the Health Sciences and Human Services Library sometime after his death. The materials date from 1943 to 1971 and undated.

Content Listing:

- Folder 8. Anatomical Library Correspondence 1940s
- Folder 9. Anatomical Library Correspondence 1950s
- Folder 10. Anatomical Library Correspondence 1960s
- Folder 11. Anatomical Library Correspondence 1970s
- Folder 12. Budget/Receipts, undated
- Folder 13. Title Pages, undated
- Folder 14. Draft "Old Medical Books in the University of Maryland" by E. Uhlenhuth, undated
- Folder 15. Anatomical Library Articles by E. Uhlenhuth, 1956 and undated
- Folder 16. Exhibit labels and notes, undated

Series 3 – Manuscripts and Publications (1920-1940)

Box 1, 8 folders

The Manuscripts and Publications series includes drafts of Dr. Uhlenhuth's publications as well as research notes for publications, translations, and reprints. The materials are dated 1920-1940.

Content Listing:

- Folder 17. "The Origin of Organic Structures" by E. Uhlenhuth, Paper before the meeting of the "New York Academy of Science" March 8, 1920
- Folder 18. Reprint, "Anterior Lobe Substance, the Thyroid Stimulator. IV. Effect in the Absence of Thyroid Gland." By S. Schwartzbach and E. Uhlenhuth, 1928 (four copies)
- Folder 19. Transcription of "The Instruments shall thou be aware before the incision ye dare." By E. Uhlenhuth, March 15, 1929
- Folder 20. Cold Spring Harbor Lecture and Various Other Thoughts on Endocrines, E. Uhlenhuth, Unpublished Manuscript, dated about 1930 (separated out over three folders)
- Folder 21. Cold Spring Harbor Lecture and Various Other Thoughts on Endocrines, E. Uhlenhuth, Unpublished Manuscript, dated about 1930 (separated out over three folders)
- Folder 22. Cold Spring Harbor Lecture and Various Other Thoughts on Endocrines, E. Uhlenhuth, Unpublished Manuscript, dated about 1930 (separated out over three folders)
- Folder 23. Translation "Elementa Physiologiae Corporis Humani" by E. Uhlenhuth, Winter 1939/40

Arrangement: Thematic and then chronological

Access Restrictions: This collection is open for research.

Language: Materials mostly in English.

Custodial History: Some materials in the collection was found in the Vertical Files of the Historical Collections. The materials were joined together with additional materials in the collection. The Anatomical Library of the Anatomy Department was added to the Historical Collections of the Health Sciences Library in late 1971 or early 1972. Some of the materials in this collection also date to that time frame.

Acquisition: Materials transferred or donated to the Health Sciences and Human Services Library sometime after Dr. Uhlenhuth's death.

Related Materials:

The Anatomical Library Books collected by Dr. Uhlenhuth for the Anatomy Department Library are now part of the Cordell and Crawford Book Collections in the Historical Collections Department. Some of these volumes have been digitized and are available in the UMB Digital Archive [Crawford Historical Books Collection](#) or [Historical Collections Collection](#). See Uhlenhuth Anatomical Book Inventory (PDF) for list of found books in historical collections.

Atlas of descriptive human anatomy. By Johannes Sobotta. Edited and translated by Eduard Uhlenhuth. 3 volumes. Donated by Kim Wagner, granddaughter of Eduard Uhlenhuth in July 2019.

Sources Used:

"Eduard Uhlenhuth: 1885-1961." *Bulletin of the School of Medicine, University of Maryland.* 1961 July; 46(3):viii-x.

Curriculum Vitae: Eduard Uhlenhuth in Eduard Uhlenhuth Papers.

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