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### Summary information

<b>Repository:</b>	McGovern Historical Center, Texas Medical Center Library
Title:	Moise Dreyfus Levy, MD papers
<b>Reference code:</b>	MS 033
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Date:	1917-1957 (creation)
Physical description:	0.5 cubic feet (1 box).
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	February 14, 2011

# Administrative history / Biographical sketch

#### Note

Moise Dreyfus Levy Sr, MD was born September 4, 1889 in Galveston, Texas and grew up in Natchitoches, Louisiana "where he attended school and later the Louisiana State Normal College" (Texas State Journal of Medicine volume 59 pages 248-49, March 1963). Levy graduated from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston in 1913. He was awarded an internship at St. Louis City Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri (Texas State Journal of Medicine, volume 9).

Dr. Levy served two years in the United States Medical Corps during World War I. Afterwards, he returned to Texas where he became an assistant professor of medicine at his alma mater, the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston from 1915 until 1922. Levy served as a clinical professor at Baylor College of Medicine from 1943 to 1954 and was a professor emeritus from 1954 until his death in 1963 (TSJM 59:248-49, Mar., 1963).

Dr. Levy was the first president of the Texas Society of Pathology, which was founded in 1921 and continues to exist today. He was a founding member of the American Board of Internal Medicine and a fellow of the American College of Physicians. In 1957, Dr. Levy was elected president of the Harris County Medical Society. He was an active member of the medical community and was a member of many organizations including The American Heart Association, Houston Society of Internal Medicine, World Medical Association, American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygene.

Dr. Levy married Sarah Weill in 1917. They had four children: Moise D. Levy Jr. b.1918, Justine, Sara Jo and Melanie b. 1925. Dr. Levy's son Moise D. Levy, Jr. followed his father into medicine and became a successful rheumatologist.

Dr. Levy was active in Jewish affairs, he was twice elected president of the Houston Congregation for reformed Judiasm. He was active in the Rotary Club and in the Planned Parenthood Center of Houston. (TSJM 59:248-49, Mar., 1963).

Dr. Levy was the author of 33 published medical writings. Several of Dr. Levy's articles focused on the Houston / Galveston / Beaumont area, including a 1920 article on an epidemic of Dengue fever that had recently affected Galveston, TX and the surrounding area.

Dr. Moise Dreyfus Levy Sr. died at his home in Houston, TX on Jan. 30, 1963 at the age of 73.

#### **Custodial history**

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## Scope and content

The Moise D. Levy, MD papers is limited to selected papers that were donated by Dr. Levy's daughter Justine (Levy) Bennett to the Houston Academy of Medicine - Texas Medical Center Library in 1982, including a selection of letters, original copies of two articles, one on the treatment of Bubonic Plague in Galveston, TX circa 1920, one on the use of Tartar Emetic as a cure for Malaria circa 1917, and a plaque from 1957 that commemorates Dr. Levy's time as president of the Harris County Medical Society.

## Notes

#### Immediate source of acquisition

Dr. Levy's papers were donated to the HAM-TMC Library in 1982 by Dr. Levy's daughter, Justine (Levy) Bennett.

#### Arrangement

This collection is arranged into the following series.

#### **Restrictions on access**

The collection is open for research.

#### **Conditions governing use**

Copyright restrictions may apply.

#### Accruals

No accruals are expected for this collection.

#### **Other notes**

• **<u>Publication status</u>**: Published

### **Access points**

- Wall, Dick P. (subject)
- Levy, Moise Dreyfus (subject)

- University of Texas Medical Branch
- articles (documentary form) •
- Letters (documentary form)
- Awards (documentary form)
- Bubonic plague (subject)
- Malaria (subject)
- Galveston (Tex.) (place)
- Beaumont, Texas (place)

## Series descriptions

#### Series MS033-S1 : Series I: Correspondence;

Date: 1919-1921 (creation)

Scope and content: Scope and Content Note: Letters written to Dr. Levy between 1919 and 1921. Several of the letters have to do with the publication of Dr. Levy's Article "Broncho-Pulminary Spirochetosis -Castellani: Report of Two Cases" which is housed in folder 4 in this collection.

**Publication status:** 

Published

	Fi	le / item list	
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
gi203689762	File - Correspondence	1919-1921.	
	Physical storage:		
	Box: 1		
	Physical storage:		
	Folder: 1		
Series MS03.	3-S2 : Series II: Scholarly A	Articles;	
Date: Circa 19	17-1921 (creation)		
-	tent: Scope and Content Note: Sch faculty at the University of Texas	•	by Dr. Levy when he was a
Publication sta	<u>tus</u> :		
Published			

	File / iter	m list	
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
gi203689763	File - The Use of Tartar Emetic in the Treatment of Malaria - Preliminary Report;	circa 1917.	
	Physical storage:		

	Box: 1
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 2
gi203689764	File - Treatment of Bubonic Plague - Analysis of Beaumont and Galveston Cases (Written by M. D. Levy and D. P. Wall);circa 1920.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 1
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 3
gi203689765	File - Broncho-Pulmonary Spirochetosis - Castellani: Report of Two Cases;circa 1921.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 1
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 4
Series MS03.	3-S3 : Series III: Awards;

Date: 1957 (creation)

<u>Scope and content</u>: Scope and Content Note: The bronze-like pieces from a plaque Dr. Levy recieved in 1957 as the President of the Harris County Medical Society .

Publication status:

Published

File / item list				
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description	
gi203689766	File - The bronze-like pieces from a plaque Dr. Levy recieved as the President of the Harris County Medical Society;	1957.		
	Physical storage: Box: 1 Physical storage: Folder: 5			