# Committee for Research in Problems of Sex 1920-1965

The Committee for Research in Problems of Sex (CRPS) was established in 1922 within the National Research Council's Division of Medical Sciences with the cooperation of the Bureau of Social Hygiene and support from the Rockefeller Foundation. The Committee's purpose was to investigate what at the time were considered fundamental sex problems in the fields of morphology, physiology, and psychology. The Committee's original membership thus included representatives of biology, physiology, psychology, and sociology.

The first twenty years of CRPS activity saw the discovery of the first known estrogens and the conduct of primary research into the pituitary hormones. As a result of these and other studies, a great deal of new data on various aspects of human sexuality were accumulated. Perhaps the best-known of CRPS studies were those undertaken by a group of investigators headed by Alfred C. Kinsey, who began working under CRPS auspices in 1941 and published two book-length reports on human sexual behavior in 1948 and 1953. The Committee was discharged in 1963.

The Committee for Research in Problems of Sex collection includes correspondence, meeting minutes, and reports, and covers the years 1920-1965 for a span of 9.75 linear feet.

## ADMINISTRATION

INSTITUTIONS: ASSOCIATIONS & INDIVIDUALS

- American Social Hygiene Association: 1922-1927
- Conference on Problems of Sexual Behavior: 1948
- Bureau of Social Hygiene: 1921-1931
- Institute for Sex Research: 1946-1956
- Social Science Research Council
- Committee on Familial Relations
- Conference: 1928
  - o General: 1928-1929
  - o General: 1923-1925
- Yale University
  - Yale Laboratories for Primate Biology: 1925-1929
- General: 1923-1929; 1941-1961

## **DIVISIONS OF THE NRC - MEDICAL SCIENCES**

## COMMITTEE FOR RESEARCH IN PROBLEMS OF SEX

- Activities Outlines: 1922-1929
- Announcements: Availability of Research Grants: 1948-1959
- Appointments
  - Chairman: 1922, 1947-1962
  - o Members: 1921-1938, 1945-1966

- Beginning of Program
  - Conference on Sex Problems
    - Proceedings: 1921
    - Report: 1921
    - General: 1921
  - Presentation of Project to NRC Divisions: 1921
  - o General: 1921
- Conferences
  - Committee Members & Grantees: 1922-1923
  - Human Sex-Patterns: 1945
  - Human Sexuality: Proposed: 1944
  - Patterns & Problems of Primate Sex-Behavior: 1943
  - Problems in the Biology of Sex
    - Proceedings: 1934
    - Report: 1934
    - General: 1934
  - o Sex & Behavior
    - Participants' Evaluations: 1962
    - Planning Conference: 1959
    - Proceedings: 1962
    - Requests for Support: 1960-1964
    - General: 1959-1961
  - o General: 1923-1936
- Cooperation with Other Organizations
  - o Committee on Maternal Health: 1924-1927
  - o NRC Committee on Grants-in-Aid: Proposed: 1930-1934
  - o General: 1922-1939
- End of Program: 1959-1963
- Executive Secretaryship
  - Discontinuance: 1929
  - Transfer to Part-time Status: 1926
- Formulation of Program
  - Committee Members' Memoranda: 1922
    - Survey of Opinion re Needed Sex research: 1922
    - Survey of Research Facilities Work in Progress or Proposed: 1921-1922
    - General: 1922
  - o Grant Applications
    - Committee Actions: Listing: 1922-1947
  - o Grantees
    - Aberle S D: 1930-1934
    - Albright F: 1940-1942
    - Allen E: 1923-1934, 1941-1943
    - Allen E & Yerkes R M: 1935-1940
    - Aronson L R: 1946-1961
    - Bard P: 1934-1944
    - Barnes A C: 1955-1956
    - Beach F A: 1942-1955

- Bendell J F: 1956-1962
- Bissonnette T H: 1929-1938
- Blakeslee A F: 1923-1927
- Blandau R J: 1940-1950
- Bragdon D E: 1951-1953
- Britton S W: 1933-1935
- Campbell B: 1955-1958
- Carr W J: 1958-1961
- Chen T T: 1956-1960
- Cole L J: 1930-1935
- Cole L J & Painter T S: 1929-1930
- Connon W B: 1936-1939
- Corner G W: 1926-1928
- Cunningham R S: 1931-1933
- Davis D E: 1957-1960
- Declined
  - 1940-1962
  - Crew F A E: 1926-1928
  - Freeland S L & Angulo J: 1923
  - Little C C: 1922-1923
  - General: 1923-1937
- Dunlap K: 1927-1928
- Dzuik P J: 1957-1963
- Evans H M: 1922-1934
- Everett J W: 1956-1959
- Finley H E: 1949-1955
- Forbes T R: 1946-1949
- Frank R T & Gustavson R G: 1926-1927
- Gawienowski A M: 1958-1960
- Gebhard P H: 1956-1961
- Gowen J W: 1950-1954
- Gray L A& Bradbury J T: 1949-1951
- Groenenjijk-Huijbers M M: 1957-1959
- Guillemin R: 1955-1956
- Gustavson R G: 1928-1938
- Hartman C & Meyer A: 1940-1941
- Hartmann C: 1924-1928
- Hayward S C: 1954-1956
- Hisaw F L: 1926-1936
- Hohn E O: 1959-1961
- Holmstrom E G: 1953-1956
- Hooker D R: 1922-1926
- Hubbs C L: 1942-1948
- Huggins C: 1940-1950
- Humphrey R R: 1929-1933
- Ingersoll F M & Schwab R S: 1953-1955
- Jennings H S: 1941-1948
- Kallman F J: 1948-1951

- Kelly E L: 1934-1938
- Kelly G L: 1927-1931
- Doggett V C: 1960-1961
- Kinsey A C
  - Conferences: 1942-1952
  - Evaluation of Work: Scientific Community
    - o **1947-1954** 
      - o Gorer G: 1948
      - Kubie L S: 1955; 1948
      - o Terman L M: 1948-1949
      - o Wallis W A: 1949-1950
      - o General: 1947-1954
  - Formation of Institute for Sex Research: 1946-1949
  - Library: 1946-1949
  - Progress Reports: 1942-1957
  - Publication of Research: 1945-1954
  - Question re Public Reference to Rockefeller Foundation: 1944
  - Site Visit by Committee Members: 1942-1943
  - Study of Statistical Methods: American Statistical Assn: 1950-1954
  - Study of Statistical Methods: Proposed: 1949-1950
  - General: 1940-1956
- Kirkendall L A: 1956-1962
- Kitchell R: 1956
- Koch F C: 1931-1934
- Krantz K E: 1951-1955
- Landis C: 1934-1943
- Lashley K S: 1921-1924, 1937
- Law O T: 1958-1960
- Leahy S R: 1922
- Leathem J H: 1955-1957
- Lee R I: 1922-1924
- Lillie F R: 1922-1934
- Lorenz F W: 1956-1960
- Macintyre M N: 1955-1957
- Macomber D: 1923-1924
- Markee J E: 1930-1939
- Marshall D S: 1957-1961
- Meites J: 1953-1955
- Metcalf M M: 1924
- Metz C W: 1931-1935
- Meyer A: 1922-1927
- Miles W R: 1924-1926
- Miller E H: 1927-1928
- Moore K L: 1957-1961
- Morgan C F: 1944-1949
- Nissen H W: 1954-1959
- Noble G K: 1936-1941

- Otis L S: 1959-1961
- Painter T S: 1922-1927
- Papanicolaou G N: 1940
- Peck M W: 1924-1926
- Pfeiffer C A: 1943-1947
- Pincus G: 1940-1943
- Potter H W: 1924-1926
- Rakoff A E: 1957-1961
- Ranson S W: 1940-1943
- Reynolds S R M: 1935-1939
- Risley P L: 1956-1963
- Rock J: 1940-1941
- Selle R M: 1927-1928
- Sevringhaus E L: 1935-1936
- Shadle J R: 1948-1953
- Siegel P B: 1957-1960
- Slonaker J R: 1923-1935
- Smith G V: 1940-1942
- Smith P E: 1926-1938
- Spaeth R A: 1924-1926
- Spoor W A: 1946-1948
- Stockard C R: 1922-1939
- Stone C P: 1922-1939
- Swingle W W: 1926-1929
- Taber E: 1951-1955
- Terman L M: 1925-1929
- U of Paris: 1958-1960
- Weichert C K: 1940-1947
- Wells L J: 1934-1937
- Wheeler H E: 195-1953
- Whiting P W: 1926-1928
- Wissler C: 1925-1933
- Witschi E: 1929-1954
- Yerkes R M: 1926-1935
- Young W C: 1935-1956
- History: Twenty-Five Years of Sex Research: Aberle & Corner: 1946-1953
- Meetings: 1928-1962
  - \*Note: Meetings Records span total of 54 folders
  - Name Change from Committee for Research on Sex Problems: 1925
    - Policy: 1922-1960
- Predoctoral Fellowships: Fellows
  - Eisenberg J F: 1959-1962
  - Eynon A E: 1959-1964
  - o Guilfoyle G R: 1960-1962
  - Miller S J: 1959-1962
  - Nag M K: 1959-1963
  - Redmond W C: 1959-1963
  - o Wilson J R: 1959-1962

- Young S L: 1959-1963
- o General: 1958-1961
- Program in Psychobiology of Sex in Man: 1923-1924
  - Projects Proposed
    - Committee for Support for Master W H: 1962
    - Population Control: 1959-1962
- Projects: Research Centers
  - Marital Research: Hamilton G V
    - Beginning of Program: 1924
    - Duplication of Records: 1928
    - Publication of Results: 1926-1928
    - Transfer of Financial Adm to NRC: Proposed: 1925
  - Psychobiology of Sex in Man: Boston Ctr for Study of Human Sex Problems
    - Proposed: 1923
  - University of Chicago
    - Lillie F R: 1922-1928
  - o General: 1922-1932
- Projects: Survey of Effects of Exposure to X-Rays
  - Questionnaires & Follow-up Letter: 1925
  - General: 1924-1927
- Projects: Survey of Sex Research
  - Review of Literature on Sex Hormones: Proposed: 1927
  - Sex & Internal Secretions
    - First Edition: 1931-1936
    - Second Edition
      - Conference of Contributors to 1st Edition: 1935-1936
      - General: 1936-1939
    - Third Edition: Proposed: 1941-1945
- Promotional Activities
  - Termination: Review: 1930-1931
  - o General: 1928-1929
- Reexamination of Committee Scope
  - Proposed: 1953-1954
- Reorganization of Committee Independent of NRC: Proposed
  - Historical Summary; 1922-1928
  - General: 1922-1925, 1927-1928
- Requests for Support
  - Bureau of Social Hygiene: 1922-1925, 1928-1930
    - Transfer of Support to Rockefeller Foundation: 1931
  - Ford Foundation: 1951-1961
  - Rockefeller Foundation: 1931-1937, 1940-1961
  - Rockefeller J D Jr: 1922
  - General: 1922-1923, 1961
- Statement of History Purpose & Policy of Committee
  - Condensed Version: 1923
- Trips
  - o Zinn E F: 1925-1927

- Report on Research in Sex Problems in Europe: 1926
- General: 1922-1930, 1934-1938, 1940-1948, 1951-1962

#### FINANCE & ACCOUNTING

- CONTRACTS
  - Committee for Research in Problems of Sex
  - Publication of History of Committee: 1952
  - Sex & Internal Secretions
    - First Edition: 1932
    - Second Edition: 1938
- ESTATES
  - Bequests: Jennings H S: 1947-1948
- FINANCE
  - Funds: Grants
- Bureau of Social Hygiene: 1922-1928
- Ford Foundation: 1957
- Rockefeller Foundation: 1931-1937, 1941-1961
- Rockefeller J D Jr: 1922
- General: 1948, 1961-1963 1948

#### GOVERNMENT

- CONGRESS
  - Committees
    - Committee to Investigate Tax-Exempt Foundations: Special: 1954-1955

#### PROPERTIES & EQUIPMENT

• Technical Equipment: 1925