Descriptive Summary

Title: Melvin Calvin papers, [ca. 1938-1986]
Dates: 1938-1986
Collection Number: BANC MSS 91/50 c
Creator/Collector: Calvin, Melvin, 1911-1997
Extent: 33 cartons, 76 boxes, 1 oversize folder
Repository: UC Berkeley. Bancroft Library
Berkeley, California 94720-6000
Abstract: Contains correspondence, manuscripts, grant proposals, travel files, and course materials relating to Professor Calvin's teaching and research at the University of California, Berkeley and the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. Also includes materials regarding Calvin's service on U.S. government advisory boards including the Office of Science and Technology (OST), the President's Science Advisory Committee (PSAC), and the Energy Research Advisory Board (ERAB) of the U.S. Department of Energy.
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Acquisition Information
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Biography/Administrative History
Professor of Chemistry at the University of California, Berkeley and Director of the bio-organic chemistry group at the Lawrence Radiation National Laboratory. Professor Calvin received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1961 for identifying the path of carbon in photosynthesis.
Scope and Content of Collection
The attached container listing of the Melvin Calvin papers is adapted from one created by the National Archives and Records Administration for Record Group 434, Subgroup: Department of Energy, Office: Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Series: Records of Dr. Melvin Calvin, Accession Number: 9NNS-434-90-003. Bancroft Library staff added some dates and additional folder headings for clarification.
Indexing Terms
Organic Geochemistry
Chemistry -- Research
Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
United States. -- Office of Science and Technology Policy
University of California, Berkeley. -- Department of Chemistry
National Science Foundation
National Institutes of Health
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Allred, John C.
Abelson, P. H.
Baltrop, J. A.
Bartlett, P. D.
Cohen, Seymour
Elkes, Joel
Glaser, Donald
Horowitz, Norman
Sagan, Carl
Strong, Edward W.
Wilson, O. C.

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