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Abstract: Saul Winstein (1912-1969) was a professor of chemistry at UCLA (1941-1969). He specialized in physical-organic chemistry and reaction mechanisms, and wrote over 175 articles for journals since 1933; won the award in pure chemistry from the American Chemical Society in 1948 and the Theodore William Richards Medal for 1962. The collection consists of Winstein's correspondence, consultant job files, class, lecture and research notes, offprints, articles and clippings, student dissertations supervised by Winstein, and glass slides and transparencies.
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Biography
Winstein was born on October 8, 1912 in Montreal, Canada; BA (1934) and MA (1935), UCLA; Ph.D, California Institute of Technology, 1938; National Research Fellow in Chemistry, Harvard University, 1939-40; instructor, Illinois Institute of
Technology, 1940-41; instructor, assistant and associate professor (1941-47) and professor of chemistry (1947-69), UCLA; specialized in physical-organic chemistry and reaction mechanisms, and wrote over 175 articles for journals since 1933; won the award in pure chemistry from the American Chemical Society in 1948 and the Theodore William Richards Medal for 1962.

**Biographical Narrative**

Saul Winstein (1912-1969) was born in Montreal, Canada and came in 1923 to the United States, where he received his higher education at UCLA and the California Institute of Technology. His special field was physical-organic chemistry and reaction mechanisms, and his distinguished career at UCLA began with his appointment as instructor in 1941/42. He was Professor of Chemistry, 1947-1969.

**Scope and Content**

Collection consists of correspondence, consultant job files, class, lecture and research notes, offprints, articles and clippings, student dissertations supervised by Winstein, and glass slides and transparencies of Saul Winstein, UCLA professor of chemistry.

**Organization and Arrangement**

Arranged in the following series:

1. **Correspondence** (Boxes 1-6, 13).
2. **Consultant’s files** (Boxes 7-13).
3. **Class and lecture notes** (Box 14).
4. **Award files and speeches and seminar presentations** (Box 15).
5. **Offprints, articles, and research notes** (Boxes 16-19).
6. **Files re National Academy of Sciences and Air Force Scientific Advisory Committee** (Box 20).
7. **Articles and clippings about Winstein** (Box 21).
8. **Theses and dissertations supervised by Winstein** (Boxes 22-43).
9. **Glass slides and transparencies** (Box 44).

**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Winstein, Saul, 1912-1969--Archives.
University of California, Los Angeles. Dept. of Chemistry--Faculty--Archival resources.
Chemists--California--Los Angeles--Archival resources.

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**General Correspondence, 1955-1969, Including Visitors**

- **Box 1**
  - A - G.
- **Box 2**
  - H - National Academy.
- **Box 3**
  - National Academy - Z.
- **Box 4**
  - Miscellaneous correspondence, including letters about equipment and U.S. Army contracts, 1942-1966.
- **Box 5**
  - Photograph of Professor Winstein with Glenn Seaborg and James McCullough.
- **Box 6**
  - Correspondence, ca. 1946-1955.
    - Scope and Content Note
    - re consultant work.

- **Box 7**
  - Consultant's files, 1960s.
    - Scope and Content Note
    - re Hercules.

- **Boxes 8, 9**
  - Consultant's files, 1960s.
    - Scope and Content Note
    - re Hercules and California [Chevron] Research Corporation.
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Consultant Job Files, 1951-1965

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Box 21

Articles and clippings giving biographical information about Weinstein; files re consultant jobs, 1960s.

Boxes 22-43

Theses and dissertations completed by students under Winstein's supervision.

Glass Slides

Flat Box 44

Conform analysis.

Flat Box 44

Solvolysis.

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“Solvolysis substitute.”

Flat Box 44

“N. groups (stress on functional).”

Flat Box 44

“Benyali N. carbon strain and partic. birdcage”[?].

Flat Box 44

“Normal salt effects.”

Flat Box 44

“Merg. mech. Merg. elim. - sub.”

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“Merg. - merg. F & S. N H & C.”

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“Ion pairs.”

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“Ar.-5; Ar-6, NoH[?].”

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“H.D. Hypere[?].”

Transparencies

Flat Box 44

Chemical models.