
Finding Aid for the Alfred Pletscher Papers Biomed.1238

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Title: Alfred Pletscher papers

Source: American College of Neuropsychopharmacology

Creator: Pletscher, A. (Alfred)

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Gift of Alfred Pletscher to the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology (ACNP), June 2005; transferred to UCLA in 2008.

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Biographical / Historical

Alfred Pletscher (1917-) received his doctorate in Medicine in 1942 and Ph.D. in Chemistry in 1948, both from the University of Zürich. He conducted research at F. Hoffmann-LaRoche, Inc. (Basel, Switzerland and Nutley, New Jersey) and at the University of Basel. In his curriculum vitae, he identifies his primary scientific activities as: biochemistry and pharmacology of monoamine (MOA) transmitters in the central nervous system; effect of psychotropic drugs (reserpine, benzoquinolines, phenylethylamines, MAO-inhibitors, etc.) on cerebral monoamines; relation between cerebral monoamines and behavioral effects of psychotropic drugs; discovery and development of therapeutically useful drugs, i.e., Madopar (levodopa plus decarboxylase-inhibitors) and Tetrabenazine; and blood platelets as models for monoaminergic neurons.

Scope and Contents

Documents related to Alfred Pletscher, including historical essays and reprints.

Subjects and Indexing Terms

American College of Neuropsychopharmacology
