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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
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Abstract:	The Hu, Tin-an (Hu, Ding'an) papers documented Dr. Hu's research writings during his time at Columbia University as a research scholar from 1950 to 1953. Materials in the papers are the research writings on the background of moxa, acupuncture, and Chinese medicine, as well as correspondence regarding Dr. Hu's work progress, performance as a research scholar, and his membership in the Societe Internationale d'Acupuncture.

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Hu, Tin-an (Hu, Ding'an) papers; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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Biographical / Historical

Hu, Tin-an (pinyin: Hu, Ding'an; Wade Giles: Hu, Tin-an, Hu, Ting-an; simplified & traditional Chinese: 胡定安), born in Wuxing district, Huzhou city, Zhejiang province, 1898. He graduated from Zhejiang Medical School (浙江医药专门学校) in 1919. In 1924, he received sponsorship from the government and began attending the University of Berlin Medical School. He obtained his M.D. in 1927 and returned to China the following year. After returning to China, Dr. Hu published books and articles on diseases such as fever and malaria, public health policies, and hygiene issues in Chinese society. He advocated to introduce western

medical knowledge in China and ridding of the superstition aspects of traditional Chinese medicine. Dr.Hu later became the Director of Nanjing Health Department and he was also a professor at multiple universities. From November 1937 to June 1948, Dr.Hu was the President of the National Jiangsu Medical College (国立江苏医学院, present day known as the Nanjing Medical University, 南京医科大学). He was also the General Secretary of the Research Institute of Preventive Medicine in China. In 1951, he was appointed as a research scholar at Columbia University under the Department of State's grant-in-aid program recommended by the Nationalist Ministry of Education. During his time at Columbia, he researched about the history of acupuncture and moxa and its relation to cancer treatment. He was most known as the forerunner in establishing the study of public health and implementing policies on public health and hygiene in modern Chinese society.

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Summary

The Hu, Tin-an (Hu, Ding'an) papers consist of Dr.Hu's correspondence and research work during his time as a research scholar at Columbia University between 1950 and 1953. The papers include correspondence regarding Dr.Hu's performance and his status as a research scholar at Columbia University, handwritten and typewritten manuscripts of Dr. Hu's research writing on acupuncture and moxa, and an acupuncture roll.

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged by material type and chronologically within each folder.

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Processing Information

Cataloged in July 1989 by Christina Hilton Fenn. Processed and title updated in accordance with the creator's LCNAF in 2018 by Yingwen Huang.

Ownership and Custodial History

Transferred from the Medical Library, 1958.

Accruals

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Custodial History

In 1950, the Medical Library received the gift through the instrumentality of Dr. L. Carrington Goodrich. The materials were collected by Dr. Ralph G. Mills (Professor and head of the pathology department at the Peking Union Medical College, 1918-1925) during his stay in East Asian.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Moxa
- Acupuncture
- Medicine, Chinese
- Physicians
- Medicine, Chinese
- Correspondence
- Letters (correspondence)
- Photographic postcards
- Writing

Collection Inventory

Hu, Tin-an (Hu, Ding'an) papers, 1950-1953		
Title/Description	Instances	
Correspondence, 1950-1953	box 1	folder 1
"Explanation of acupuncture and moxa and vital points (puncture points) on the human body", handwritten manuscript, 1951	box 1	folder 2
"Acupuncture and Moxa", typewritten manuscript, 1951-1953	box 1	folder 3
"Acupuncture and Moxa", handwritten manuscript, 1951-1953	box 1	folder 4
"Acupuncture and Moxa", handwritten manuscript and notes, 1951-1953	box 1	folder 5
Postcards with envelope, 1933	box 1	folder 6

Scope and Contents

Postcards depict the front view, side view, and back view of a copper model from the Qing Imperial Medical Institute (清太醫院) of a man with marks on the body for the study of acupuncture, printed by Chang Chi Wu, the Chairman of Chinese National Association (北平市國醫公會).

Acupuncture roll

flatbox 114

Scope and Contents

The roll contains in chart form the 365 vital points of acupuncture, diseases, and resulting conditions.

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