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Joseph L. Belsky, MD papers

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Summary information

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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Dr. Joseph Lewis Belsky was born March 14, 1927. He earned his undergraduate degree in chemistry from Drew University in New Jersey in 1949, followed by a master's in chemistry fro Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, in 1951 and, finally, an M.D. in 1955 from Albany Medical College in Albany, New York. He became board certified in internal medicine in 1963. He worked for a short time in private practice but spent the majority of his career as an endocrinologist in hospitals in Boston and in Connecticut. He was also a lecturer at Yale University School of Medicine.

Dr. Belsky was Chief of Medicine for the Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission (ABCC), a committee formed to study the long-term effects of radiation exposure on the residents of Nagasaki and Hiroshima, Japan, from 1969-1972 (the organization is now known as the Radiation Effects Research Foundation or RERF).

In 1999, Dr. Belsky was awarded a Mastership by the American College of Physicians.

Custodial history

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Scope and content

This collection consists of six boxes. Three are of technical reports from the Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission (ABCC) dating from 1959 through 1975 and a few RERF reports from the 1980s and early 1990s. Box VI is an oversized box containing two large photographs and two large certificates. The reports have been organized in chronological order and all materials have been interleaved with archival bond. The rest of the material consists primarily of professional correspondence between Dr. Belsky and various other doctors regarding ABCC research or, occasionally, individual patients. There are some drafts of ABCC

technical reports and a few articles copied from other publications. Correspondences, etc., are arranged in general chronological order in Boxes IV and V.

Notes

Immediate source of acquisition

Donated by Joseph L. Belsky, MD.

Other notes

• **Publication status**: Published

Access points

• ABCC Collections (subject)

Series descriptions

File / item list

Series MS112-S1: Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission (ABCC)

Date: (creation)

Publication status:

Published

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
gi203663114	File - Bibliography of Publications		
	Concerning Effect of Nuclear Explosions,		
	1959-1973.		

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Folder: 1

gi203663115 File - Bibliography of Published Papers of the Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission,

1947-1974.

Physical storage:

Box: 1

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	Folder: 2
gi203663116	File - Technical reports 1959-1971.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 1
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gi203663117	File - Technical reports 1959-1975.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 1
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 4
gi203663118	File - Formation and Activities of Kyoto
	University Atomic Bomb Casualty General Investigation Team.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 1
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 5
gi203663119	File - Annual reports, 1966-1968.
51203003117	Physical storage:
	Box: 1
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 6
gi203663120	File - Technical reports 1959, 1968-1970.
51203003120	Physical storage:
	Box: 1
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 7
gi203663121	File - Ad hoc committee report, 1955.
gi203003121	Physical storage:
	Box: 1
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 8
gi203663122	File - Technical reports 1971-1972.
000.	Physical storage:
	Box: 2
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gi203663123	File - Technical reports 1973-1975.
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gi203663125 File - Annual report 1985-1986	
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gi203663126 File - Newsletters 1983, 1991-1992, 1995.	
Physical storage:	
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Series MS112-S3 : Various Reports and Papers	
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gi203663127 File - NI-HON-SAN: Drafts for ABCC Technical Reports.	
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Physical storage:	
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gi203663128 File - Growth and Development: Drafts for technical reports on childhood-related	

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	issues: childhood stature, lower limb, in- utero microcephaly, etc. from ABCC/ RERF years.
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gi203663129	File - AHS Report: Adult Health Study
	articles, correspondence, drafts, 1972.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 4
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 3
gi203663130	File - HAA, J. of Infections Diseases: Letters to and from journals, drafts, 1973.
	Physical storage:
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gi203663131	File - Leukemia in A-Bomb Survivors: letters and draft, 1973.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 4
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 5
gi203663132	File - An Antigen in Dialysis Patients: letters and drafts for articles on liver- related problems and atomic bomb survivors, 1973-1974.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 4
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 6
gi203663133	File - Correspondence 1969-1970.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 4
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 7
gi203663134	File - Correspondence 1971, 1976, 1986.
	Physical storage:
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gi203663135	File - Various loose papers: articles, magazines, memoirs, reprints.		
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gi203663136	File - Various loose papers: articles,		
	magazines, memoirs, reprints.		
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gi203663137	File - Immunoglobulin Levels in the Adult Health Study, 1973.		
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gi203663138	File - Growth Study - Belsky/Blot: Professional correspondence and drafts, 1967, 1971-1974.		
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gi203663139	File - Serum Thyrotropin Level and Goiter in Response to Childhood Exposure to Atomic Radiation, 1973.		
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gi203663140	File - Hiroshima, Early Correspondence and Reprints: 1969-1971.		
	Physical storage:		
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gi203663141	File - Correspondence 1 of 3: including a few personal photographs, mainly 1973-1975.		
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gi203663142	File - Correspondence 2 of 3: professional and personal correspondence, 1972.
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	Physical storage:
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gi203663143	File - Correspondence 3 of 3: professional and personal correspondence, 1973.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 5
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 9
gi203663144	File - Radiation Carcinogenesis: 1980s-1990s.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 5
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 10
gi203663145	File - Chernobyl: clipping, fax from 1992 and 1996.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 5
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 11
gi203663146	File - Various articles and notes for St. Elizabeth talk.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 5
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 12
gi203663147	File - Various articles: reports, Physicians for Social Responsibility Newsletters.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 5
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 13
gi203663148	File - Salivary Gland Neoplasms: drafts and correspondence.
	Physical storage:
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gi203663149	File - Survivors of Childhood Exposure to Atomic Radiation: drafts and
	correspondence.
	Physical storage:
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gi203663150	File - Thyroid Cancer Papers 1973: draft, references, and diagrams.
	Physical storage:
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	Physical storage:
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gi203663151	File - Thyroid Cancer Paper 1973-1974:
g1203003131	correspondence and drafts.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 6
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gi203663152	File - Thyroid Carcinoma Diagnosed Between 13 and 26 Years After Exposure
	to Atomic Radiation: A Survey 1973-1974:
	drafts and correspondence.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 6
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 5
gi203663153	File - Thyroid Cancer Paper 1973-1974: drafts and correspondence.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 6
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 6
gi203663154	File - Aging Studies in Atomic Bomb
	Survivors 1974-1978: drafts and
	correspondence.
	Physical storage:
	Box: 6
	Physical storage:
	Folder: 7
gi203663155	File - AHS Five-Cycle Analysis - Blood
	Pressure (Milton) Folder 1: drafts and
	correspondence.

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gi203663156	File - AHS Five-Cycle Analysis - Blood Pressure (Milton) Folder 2: reference articles by other scientists, from the mid-1960s.
	Physical storage: Box: 6 Physical storage: Folder: 9
gi203663157	File - Leukemia and A-Bomb Radiation, Hiroshima and Nagasaki: drafts and correspondence of "Incidence of Leukemia Among Atomic Bomb Survivors in Relation to Neutron and Gamma Dose, Hiroshima and Nagasaki 1950-1971, a 1946-1971 study that was published by RERF in 1977.
	Physical storage: Box: 6 Physical storage: Folder: 10
gi203663158	File - Loose Papers: extra articles, RERF research protocol booklet, and 1978 reprint of "Incidence of Leukemia" article from previous year. Physical storage: Box: 6 Physical storage:
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gi203663159	File - Certificate of Apprecia 1972, hand-lettered in Japan translation attached to the bank Physical storage:	ese with	

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gi203663160	File - Photograph: "Participants in ABCC program, Hiroshima, 27 March 1970".
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	MS 112 – Box: OV 066
	Physical storage:
	MS 112 – Folder:
gi203663161	File - Photograph: (labeled on the back) "ABCC program review 1969".
	Physical storage:
	MS 112 – Box: OV 066
	Physical storage:
	MS 112 – Folder:
gi203663162	File - Certificate from ABCC in appreciation for performance as Chief of Medicine, 1969-1972, English and Japanese.
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	MS 112 – Box: OV 066
	Physical storage:
	MS 112 – Folder: