Medical Expedition to Easter Island (M.E.T.E.I.) Collection

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Collection Description

Medical Expedition to Easter Island (M.E.T.E.I.) Collection. - 1962-1980. 61 cm. of textual records.

Administrative History

The Canadian Medical Expedition to Easter Island (M.E.T.E.I.) under the direction of Stanley C. Skoryna of McGill University was organized to "study the relative role of environment and hereditary factors on an isolated population." The twenty-five person expedition included two UBC participants, Ian Efford (Zoology) and graduate student Jack Mathias. Sponsored by the World Health Organization the M.E.T.E.I had three objectives: 1) to conduct multi-disciplinary studies of native populations; 2) to study methods of collection and preservation of biological materials on field conditions, and; 3) to assist the population with medical problems. The expedition operated between October 1964 and February 1965.

Custodial History

The collection was originally housed at the UBC Animal Resource & Ecology Library before its transfer to the University Archives.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of assorted records divided by subject which were generated during the expedition and general material about Easter Island subsequently added.

Notes

File list available.

Title based on the contents of the collection.

File List

BOX 1

General - Correspondence 1964-76, postcards, magazine clippings, ms. and printouts.

Negatives - Easter Island ms.

Newsletter-Rapa Nui Science Club Newsletter 1965-1967.

Personnel - List of names and addresses of M.E.T.E.I. members and HMCS Cape Scott Officers.

M.E.T.E.I. Reports - reports by various persons including Ian Efford.

Easter Islanders - Correspondence, 1966-67, pictures, reprints, census and ms. of article by Dr. Ricardo Cruz-Coke.

M.E.T.E.I. Biological reports - Terrestial Fauna and Flora report #1 & 2, The Easter Islander Study (April 1966), correspondence 1970 -71.

Medical - Correspondence 1966

Climate- reprint.

Geology - Correspondence, 1965 - 67.

Soils -"Easter Island Soil Samples" by I. Efford and other reports. Limnology - Samples of Water Testing by General Testing Laboratories Co. Aug. 1965.

Mud Samples from Rana Raraku (handwritten)

Fresh Water Algae - Correspondence 1966- 1969

Marine Algae - Letter to Dr. Waldron-:.Edward, July 15th. 1965.

Fungi -- Correspondence 1965 - 68, Soil sampling map of Rapa Nui,

Lichens - Reprint in German.

Higher Plants - Correspondence 1966-74.

Protozoa - Correspondence with John Waters, Jan. 1966.

Porifera - Correspondence 1965-66.

Coelenterata - Correspondence 1965-72, Report on Coelenterata.

Bryozoa - Correspondence 1966-68.

Platyhelminthes - Correspondence 1965, 1966.

Nematoda - 1 reference.

Annelida - Correspondence 1965-66, Report.

Lower Crustacea - Correspondence 1965-68, 2 reports, one in German.

Crustacea * Malacostraca - Correspondence 1965-72, Proceedings, Reports and reprints.

Fish Parasites - Correspondence 1965-66.

Scorpions - Correspondence 1965-71, notes.

Millipedes - Correspondence 1965-66.

Centipedes - Correspondence 1965.

Insects - Correspondence 1965, 1967 & 1971, Insect I.D. report, 1 reprint.

Siphonaptera - Correspondence 1965, 1968.

Collembola - Correspondence 1966, 1967.

Dermaptera - 1 report.

Diptera - Correspondence 1965/66, 1 reprint, 1 ms,

Embioptera - Correspondence 1965, 1968.

Acari - Correspondence 1966-67, notes.

Spiders - Correspondence 1965-68.

Hemiptera - Correspondence 1965-72, ms., report.

Ants - Correspondence 1965-66, Pacific Insects Monograph 14.

Hymenoptera - Correspondence 1965, 1968-69, notes.

Isoptera - Correspondence 1965-66.

Lepidoptera - Correspondence 1965, Insect I.D. report, 2 slides.

Coleoptera - Correspondence 1965-66, 1968-69, Insect T.D. report, report.

Mallophaga - Letter March 1968, notes.

Neuroptera - Correspondence 1965-66, 1968, 1970-71, report.

Odonata - Correspondence 1965-66.

Orthoptera - Correspondence 1965-66, notes, reprint.

Psocoptera - Correspondence 1965, 1968.

Thysanoptera - Correspondence 1965.

Mollusca - Correspondence 1965-66, 1968, 1971-72, notes and reprints.

Sipunculoidea - Correspondence 1965-66, 1968, notes.

Echinodermata - Correspondence 1965.66, 1968, 1971-72, reprints.

Hemichordata - Correspondence 1965, 1968.

Birds - Correspondence 1965, 1967, 1971, 1973, notes, a bibliography of Dr. Alex Hemmingsen's publications.

Fishes - Correspondence 1964-74, reprints, classification of fishes and charts.

Reptiles - Correspondence 1966, ms.

Carroussel - Correspondence 1965.

Downwind - Correspondence 1965-66, "University of California Scripps Institute of Oceanography Downwind Expedition List of Cores and Dredge samples."

Crocker - Correspondence 1965-66.

Heyerdahl - Correspondence 1965-67.

Conservations - Correspondence 1965.

Manuscript of unpublished work compiled by I. Efford and Data.

BOX 2

This box contains printed material relating to Easter Island in general and not necessarily to the Expedition.

BOX 3

Ian E. Efford - Correpsondence re: Easter Island (1977)

"Microbiology of Easter Island" (1974)

"The Marine Mollusks of Easter Island" (1980)