

**The New York Public Library
Humanities and Social Sciences Library
Manuscripts and Archives Division**

Joseph A. Sonnabend Papers
1963-2004
MssCol 6223

**Laura Slezak Karas
September 2008**

This version produced October 2008

Table of Contents

| | |
|--|------------|
| Summary | iii |
| Related materials note | iv |
| Biographical note | v |
| Scope and content note | vii |
| Arrangement note | vii |
| Series descriptions and container list | 1 |
| SERIES I. BIOGRAPHICAL FILES, 1981-1995, 1998, 2004, n.d. | 1 |
| SERIES II. CORRESPONDENCE, 1970-2004, n.d. | 1 |
| SERIES III. WRITINGS, 1964-CIRCA 2001, n.d. | 1 |
| SERIES IV. LEGAL CASE FILES, 1982-1987, 1991-1992, n.d. | 2 |
| SERIES V. COMMUNITY AIDS ORGANIZATIONS, 1980-1999, n.d. | 3 |
| V.A. AIDS Medical Foundation, 1980-1991, 1995, 1997, n.d. | 3 |
| V.B. Community Research Initiative/Community Research Initiative on AIDS, 1986-1997, n.d. | 5 |
| V.C. PWA Health Group, 1987-1994, 1997-1999, n.d. | 7 |
| V.D. Other organizations, 1987-1989, 1999, n.d. | 7 |
| SERIES VI. RESEARCH FILES, 1963-2001, n.d. | 8 |
| VI.A. Interferon, 1963-1978, n.d. | 8 |
| VI.B. Sexually transmitted diseases, 1977-1983, n.d. | 10 |
| VI.C. AIDS, after 1980-2001, n.d. | 10 |

Summary

- Main entry:** Sonnabend, Joseph A.
- Title:** Joseph A. Sonnabend Papers, 1963-2004
- Size:** 9.4 linear feet (24 boxes)
- Source:** Gift of Joseph A. Sonnabend, July 2005.
- Abstract:** Joseph A. Sonnabend is a physician, laboratory scientist, clinical researcher, and community activist who contributed immeasurably to the fight against AIDS. As a pioneer in community-based research, he co-founded the AIDS Medical Foundation (later to become the American Foundation for AIDS Research, or amfAR) and the Community Research Initiative/Community Research Initiative on AIDS, as well as the PWA Health Group. In addition to creating community organizations, Dr. Sonnabend treated patients and conducted research into AIDS for the first twenty-three years of the epidemic in New York City, and helped create the first safe-sex guidelines. The Joseph A. Sonnabend Papers contain interviews, lectures, and press clippings; correspondence; published and near-print materials; legal case files and depositions; organizational records, clinical trial records, and grant applications and research proposals; scientific research, article drafts, charts, graphs, and notes; conference materials; and ephemera. The materials in this collection date from 1963 through 2004.
- Access:** Apply in the Special Collections Office for admission to the Manuscripts and Archives Division.
- Preferred citation:** Joseph A. Sonnabend Papers, Manuscripts and Archives Division, The New York Public Library.

Related materials note

People with AIDS Coalition Records. Manuscripts and Archives Division, The New York Public Library.

Interferon Collection, 1955-2006. Archives and Manuscripts Collection, Wellcome Library, London, England.

Biographical note

Physician, laboratory scientist, clinical researcher, and community activist Joseph A. Sonnabend was born in South Africa on January 6, 1933. Sonnabend received his MBBCh from the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg in 1956 and trained in the United Kingdom. Specializing in infectious diseases, Sonnabend became a Member of the Royal College of Physicians (MRCP) of Edinburgh in 1961. In 1963, he joined the scientific staff at the National Institute for Medical Research in London, where he was the last scientist to work with Alick Isaacs, one of the discoverers of interferon, on interferon research. In the early 1970s, Sonnabend permanently moved to New York City, where he worked as an associate professor and as an associate attending physician at medical centers in Brooklyn. In 1977, he began working for the Bureau of Venereal Disease Control for New York City's Department of Health. During this time Sonnabend also volunteered at the Gay Men's Health Project, a clinic specializing in venereal diseases affecting gay men.

Around 1978, Sonnabend began practicing private medicine for the first time when he opened a practice in Greenwich Village specializing in infectious and sexually transmitted diseases. Sonnabend's background as a microbiologist, virologist, and infectious disease specialist uniquely prepared him for the pandemic to which he would devote his life. His practice in Greenwich Village consisted primarily of gay men and he soon saw compromised immunity in his patients; Dr. Sonnabend was one of the first physicians to recognize that something out of the ordinary was affecting his patients. Having had the majority of his professional training and experience situated in the scientific laboratory, Sonnabend was in the unique position to be both treating patients and conducting research.

Calling upon his fellow scientists, Sonnabend soon created a network of experts to run tests on the samples he would send them. Independent of government agencies, his urgent inquiry into the new illness saw him freeze his patients' samples in his practice's refrigerator and ship them overnight. Sonnabend paid for his investigations out of his own pocket and soon ran out of money. Turning to an old interferon colleague, Dr. Mathilde Krim, with interesting research ideas, Sonnabend and Krim founded the AIDS Medical Foundation in April 1983 to raise private funds to support research on AIDS. This was the first of three community AIDS organizations that Sonnabend would found within four years. He went on to co-found both the Community Research Initiative and the PWA (People with AIDS) Health Group in 1987. As a pioneer in community-based research with experience in both the scientific laboratory and the examining room, he was able to bridge the gap between two traditionally separate fields to bring his experience directly to the community. Sonnabend brought a "do it yourself" attitude to his fight against AIDS. In addition to co-founding these three highly respected organizations, Sonnabend also served on the boards of other organizations and was actively involved in the AIDS community.

Along with Michael Callen and Richard Berkowitz, Sonnabend is credited with creating safe sex as we know it today. Vilified by members of the gay community upon its release in 1983, *How to Have Sex in an Epidemic* provided the first safe sex guidelines and spawned prevention education. Sonnabend was also greatly concerned with the ethical issues raised by this new illness. In 1983, Sonnabend and his co-authors won the Nellie Westerman Prize for Research in Ethics awarded by the American Federation for Clinical Research for their article "Confidentiality, Informed Consent and Untoward Social Consequences in Research on a 'New Killer Disease' (AIDS)" in *Clinical Research*.

Due to his background as a virologist and infectious disease expert specializing in sexually transmitted diseases, Sonnabend developed a theory early in the pandemic that proposed a multifactorial model for AIDS. The model theorized that AIDS in gay men was caused by repeated exposure to specific factors, notably Epstein-Barr virus, cytomegalovirus, and semen. Published in 1984, the model went against the popular theory that a single, new infectious agent was the cause of AIDS. After the identification of the retrovirus that would come to be known as HIV, Sonnabend stood by his argument that multiple factors cause AIDS; he continued to question the role of HIV in AIDS until the late 1990s. This stance caused him to be labeled a dissident, which subsequently effected

his research funding and publication acceptance. This dissident status was later compounded by his questioning the toxicity of early AZT therapy.

Although labeled a dissident and relegated for years to the periphery, Sonnabend's devotion to his patients and his fight against AIDS continued undiminished. He retired in 2005 and returned to London. On World AIDS Day (Dec 1st) of that year he was honored for his outstanding leadership with a Red Ribbon Leadership Award from the National HIV/AIDS Partnership (NHAP). Similarly, he was one of the first individuals to be honored by amfAR as one of their Award of Courage Honorees in the award's inaugural year, 2000.

Sources:

American Foundation for AIDS Research. "Joseph Sonnabend, M.D." Award of Courage Honorees, American Foundation for AIDS Research (2000). <http://www.amfar.org/cgi-bin/iowa/events/award/index.html?record=22> (accessed June 4, 2008).

RedOrbit News. "National HIV/AIDS Partnership Honors 13 Leaders for Their Achievements in Combating the AIDS Virus." (Dec. 1, 2005). http://www.redorbit.com/news/health/318352/national_hiv_aids_partnership_honors_13_leaders_for_their_achievements_in/index.html (accessed Oct. 2, 2008).

Scope and content note

The Joseph A. Sonnabend Papers contain interviews, lectures, and press clippings; correspondence; published and near-print materials; legal case files and depositions; organizational records, clinical trial records, and grant applications and research proposals; scientific research, article drafts, charts, graphs, and notes; conference materials; and ephemera. The materials in this collection date from 1963 through 2004.

This collection documents the work of a laboratory scientist, physician, clinical researcher, and community advocate from the onset of the AIDS epidemic. It is especially significant since it documents both the scientific and community efforts of the first twenty-three years of the epidemic in New York City. The papers are particularly strong in documenting both Dr. Sonnabend's belief in and commitment to community organizations, especially regarding the community-based research he pioneered, as well as his approximately forty years of research into interferon and AIDS. Dr. Sonnabend's private life is not documented in this collection.

This collection also documents Dr. Sonnabend's professional relationship with Dr. Mathilde Krim through correspondence and organizational records, tracing their relationship from their early days as interferon colleagues through their work establishing community AIDS organizations.

Prior to giving his papers to The New York Public Library, Dr. Sonnabend grouped them by subject. His organization was used as a basis for the arrangement of this collection; since he imposed this order upon his papers, materials were not separated unless clearly misfiled. For example, drafts associated with his research files were left in Series VI.A.1. National Institute for Medical Research, Mill Hill, London rather than being separated into Series II. Writings. Given the nature of AIDS research, confidential medical information has been removed from the collection. In some cases, small amounts of identifying information have been redacted in order to retain the other information present.

Arrangement note

The Joseph A. Sonnabend Papers are organized in the following series:

- Series I. Biographical files, 1981-1995, 1998, 2004, n.d.
- Series II. Correspondence, 1970-2004, n.d.
- Series III. Writings, 1964-circa 2001, n.d.
- Series IV. Legal case files, 1982-1987, 1991-1992, n.d.
- Series V. Community AIDS organizations, 1980-1999, n.d.
- Series VI. Research files, 1963-2001, n.d.

Series descriptions and container list**Series I. Biographical files, 1981-1995, 1998, 2004, n.d.**

1 box

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|--|
| 1 | 1 | Hackett, Harley. "The AIDS Doctor: A Profile of Joseph Sonnabend", circa 1983 Interviews |
| | 2 | circa 1987, 1991 (Drafts and near-print materials) |
| | 3 | POZ, 1998 Jul |
| | 4 | Lectures, 1993 Mar 15, n.d. (Drafts) |
| | 5 | Personal miscellany, 1989, 2004, n.d. |
| | 6 | Press clippings, 1981-1995, n.d. |

Series II. Correspondence, 1970-2004, n.d.

2 boxes

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 7 | 1970 Mar-1982 Dec |
| | 8 | 1983 Jan-Jun |
| | 9 | 1983 Jul-1984 Jul |
| 2 | 1 | 1984 Aug-1985 Aug |
| | 2 | 1985 Sep-1986 |
| | 3 | 1987 |
| | 4 | 1988 |
| | 5 | 1989-1990 |
| | 6 | 1991-1997 |
| | 7 | 1998-2004, n.d. |

Series III. Writings, 1964-circa 2001, n.d.

2 boxes

See also Series VI.A.1. National Institute for Medical Research, Mill Hill, London for additional drafts regarding interferon research.

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|--|
| 3 | 1 | 1964-1979 |
| | 2 | 1982-1983 |
| | 3 | 1984 |
| | 4 | 1984-1985 |
| | 5 | 1988-1989 |
| | 6 | circa 1991-2000, n.d. Articles reviewed |
| | 7 | 1979-1988 |
| 4 | 1 | 1989-1990, circa 1996, circa 2001, n.d. |
| | 2 | Unidentified drafts and notes, n.d. |

Box Fol

Series IV. Legal case files, 1982-1987, 1991-1992, n.d.

1 box

Christian v. Sheft

In *Christian v. Sheft*, Marc Christian sued Wallace Sheft, the executor of Rock Hudson's estate, claiming that Hudson concealed and misrepresented his illness and knowingly exposed Christian to AIDS through high risk sex. Dr. Sonnabend was deposed in this case as an AIDS expert and because Christian had visited him as a patient.

- | | | |
|---|-----|--|
| 4 | 3 | 1986 Jul-Oct |
| | 4 | Depositions, 1987 Jan 27 |
| | 5 | Gay Student Services, et al. v. Texas A&M University, et al., 1983 Jun and Aug, 1985 Apr 26 |
| | 6-7 | Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund's action to stay the approval of the ELISA test, 1985 Jan-Mar, n.d. |
| | | People of the State of New York, et al. v. 49 West 12 Tenants Corp. In this case, Dr. Sonnabend and five of his patients sued the 49 West 12 Tenants Corporation for trying to evict his medical practice because he treated AIDS patients; it was the first AIDS discrimination lawsuit. |
| | | Correspondence |
| | 8 | 1982 Jun-1984 Feb and Nov, 1985 Jan, 1989 Apr |
| | 9 | Supporters, 1983 Oct-1984 Oct, 1985 Feb, n.d. |
| | 10 | Legal documents, 1983 Jul and Sep, 1984 Sep, n.d. |
| | 11 | Press clippings, 1983 Sep-Nov, 1984 Oct-Nov |
| | 12 | Shuttleworth v. Broward County, 1985 |
| | 13 | Miscellaneous, 1982, 1984, 1991-1992, n.d. |

Series V. Community AIDS organizations, 1980-1999, n.d.

9 boxes

Series V. Community AIDS organizations is divided into four sub-series: V.A. American Medical Foundation, V.B. Community Research Initiative/Community Research Initiative on AIDS, V.C. PWA Health Group, and V.D. Other organizations.

V.A. AIDS Medical Foundation, 1980-1991,1995,1997, n.d.

3 boxes

The AIDS Medical Foundation was founded by Drs. Sonnabend and Mathilde Krim in April 1983 as a nonprofit organization to raise private funds for AIDS research. Sonnabend served as the chairman of the scientific committee and as a member of the Institutional Review Board from 1983 until his resignation in 1985 over differences in opinion regarding the AIDS threat to heterosexuals. After Sonnabend's departure, the AIDS Medical Foundation merged with the National AIDS Research Foundation in September 1985 to form what is now known as the American Foundation for AIDS Research (amfAR).

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|---|---|
| 5 | 1 | Administrative files, 1985 Jan, 1997 Feb, n.d. |
| | 2 | Advanced Management Technologies, 1985 Aug 2, n.d. |
| | 3 | Benefits, circa 1983 Aug, 1984 Nov-Dec, circa 1985 Apr |
| | 4-5 | Board of Trustees, [1983 Apr?-1985 Jan 3 (Agendas, minutes, and reports) |
| | 6 | Brochures, 1984 Jun, 1985 Jan, n.d. (Drafts and final version) |
| | 7 | By-laws, certificate of amendment to the certificate of incorporation, and mission statement, 1983 May-Jun, 1985 Apr |
| | 8 | Conferences, symposiums, and workshops, 1983 Aug, 1984, circa 1985 May, n.d. |
| | | Correspondence |
| | 9 | 1982 Aug-1984 Oct |
| | 10 | 1984 Nov-1985 Mar |
| | 11 | 1985 Apr-Dec |
| 6 | 1 | 1986-1989, n.d. |
| | 2 | Fundraising for Sonnabend, 1985 Apr-1986 Feb, n.d. |
| | 3 | Establishment documents, 1983 May and Aug |
| | | Financial records |
| | 4 | 1980 Aug, 1983-1986 |
| | 5 | Sonnabend's bills sent to the AIDS Medical Foundation, 1983 Oct 6 |
| | 6 | HTLV-III and LAV isolate comparison, circa 1984 |
| | | Annotation by Dr. Sonnabend: "These are notes of Luc Montagnier and Jean Claude Cherman on seeing that Bob Gallo's isolate was in fact theirs." |
| | 7 | HTLV-III antibody test, 1985 Jan 10 (Near-print article) |
| | 8 | Legal records, 1983 Aug 1, 1985 Feb, 1997 Feb (Affidavit, declaration, and testimony) |
| | 9 | Partial directory of clinical trials of experimental treatments, 1985 Nov 17 (Draft) |
| | 10 | Press clippings and releases, 1983 Jun-Sep, 1985 Feb, Jun-Jul |
| | Proposals | |
| 11 | Establishment of a comprehensive healthcare, research and education center on AIDS in New York City, 1984 Apr-May, n.d. | |
| 12 | Interferon laboratory at Roosevelt Hospital, n.d. | |
| | New York AIDS Research Center, 1987 Oct 19 | |

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|---|
| | | Research |
| 6 | 13 | 1984, 1985 May, n.d. (Applications, proposals, and protocols) |
| 7 | 1 | Isoprinosine protocol, 1984 Nov |
| | 2 | Scientific committee, 1983 Jun 7, 1985 Apr 11-Jul 8 (Agendas, membership list, and minutes) |
| | 3 | What Does the 'AIDS Blood Test' Mean?", 1985 Feb-Mar (Draft) |
| | 4 | Miscellaneous, 1983-1988, 1991, 1995, 1997, n.d. |

**V.B. Community Research Initiative/Community Research Initiative
 on AIDS, 1986-1997, n.d.**

6 boxes

The Community Research Initiative (CRI) began as a sponsored project of the People with AIDS Coalition (PWAC) in 1986/1987. Enlisting the help of Dr. Mathilde Krim, CRI became its own nonprofit organization dedicated to New York City community-based research on AIDS in 1987. CRI brought together people with AIDS, community physicians, and clinical researchers in a collaborative fight against AIDS. The organization focused on performing clinical trials in the community setting, rather than as part of government conducted trials. CRI served as a model of community-based research and was praised by the President's Commission on AIDS.

Dr. Sonnabend served as a member of the Board of Directors, Institutional Review Board, and Scientific Advisory Committee. In 1990, CRI dissolved due to financial issues, but reconstituted in 1991 as the Community Research Initiative on AIDS (CRIA; now known as the AIDS Community Research Initiative of America, or ACRIA). Sonnabend left CRIA in 1996 over clashes with the Board of Directors and the new executive director.

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | | |
|------------|--|---|--|
| 7 | 5 | Annual reports, 1993 and 1996 | |
| | 6 | Benefits, 1988-1990 | |
| | | Board materials | |
| | 7-8 | Board of Directors' meeting agendas and minutes, 1991 Sep-1997 Feb | |
| | 9 | Committee and council minutes, 1988-1992, 1997 This folder is arranged alphabetically by committee/council name. | |
| | | Institutional Review Board (IRB) | |
| | 10 | Correspondence, 1987, 1990-1993, 1996, n.d. | |
| | 8 | 1 | Minutes, 1987 May; 1990 Nov-1991 Mar, Aug-Sep; 1995 Dec-1996 May |
| | | 2 | Miscellaneous, 1987-1996, n.d. |
| | | | Clinical trials |
| | | Aerosolized pentamidine | |
| 3 | | AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG) protocol, 1988 Feb 10 | |
| 4 | | Correspondence, 1987 Dec, 1989 May-Aug, 1990 Sep | |
| 5-6 | | Data and notes, 1988-1990, n.d. (Includes transparencies) | |
| 7 | | Food and Drug Administration (FDA), 1989 Apr-May | |
| 8 | | Informed consent, IRB protocols, forms, and a pulmonary function test report, 1986 Dec, circa 1987, n.d. | |
| 9 | | New Drug Application (NDA) amendments #11 and #17, 1989 Mar 22 and May 18, 1990 Jul 23 | |
| 10 | Miscellaneous, 1987, circa 1989, n.d. | | |
| 11 | Cimetidine, 1992-1993 | | |
| 12 | ComPACT (Community Partnership AIDS/HIV Clinical Trials), 1993, 1997, n.d. | | |
| | Cyclophosphamide | | |
| 13 | Correspondence, 1995-1996, n.d. | | |
| 14 | Data, 1996 May | | |
| 9 | 1 | Forms, n.d. (Drafts and final version) | |
| | 2 | Informed consent and protocol, 1995 Jul and Nov, 1996 Mar | |
| | 3 | Delavirdine, 1996 Mar-Apr, Aug, 1997 Aug | |

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|--|
| 9 | 4 | Intron A and AZT, 1993 Sep, 1994 Feb-Mar (Reviewed reports and memos) This clinical trial was not conducted by the Community Research Initiative on AIDS; amfAR's Data Safety and Monitoring Committee, on which Dr. Sonnabend served, reviewed the trial material. |
| | 5 | Lipid (AL 721), 1987 Jun, 1988 Feb and Jun, 1989 Jun, n.d. See also Series VI.C.2. New York City-Omaha consortium's research files on AL 721. |
| | 6 | Nevirapine, 1993-1996 |
| | 7 | Pentoxifylline, 1991 May, 1992-1995, n.d. |
| | 8 | Pyrimethamine prophylaxis for toxoplasmosis |
| | 9 | Correspondence, 1989-1994 |
| | 9 | Grant application to amfAR's Community-Based Clinical Trials (CBCT) Network, 1991 Jan 7 |
| | 10 | Informed consent and protocol, 1989 Oct and Nov, 1991 Feb |
| 10 | 1 | Reports, 1992-1993 |
| | 2 | Miscellaneous, 1992 Oct, n.d. |
| | | Ritonavir |
| | 3 | Correspondence, 1995-1996 |
| | 4 | Patient data, 1995 Nov, 1996 Feb, circa Jun-Jul |
| | 5 | Protocols, 1996 Feb, Apr, Jun, n.d. |
| | 6 | Various trials, 1987, 1989-circa 1992, 1994-1996, n.d. |
| | | Other materials |
| | 7 | Concept papers and proposals, 1989 Sep, 1993 Aug, n.d. |
| | 8 | Patient accrual update data (various trials), 1989-1991, 1995-1996 |
| | 9 | Patient lab results (unknown trials), 1993-1996 |
| | 10 | Press releases, circa 1991 |
| | 11 | Miscellaneous, circa 1988 Apr, 1990 Nov, 1996 Jan, n.d. |
| | 12 | Community-based AIDS treatment research, circa 1988, n.d. |
| | | Community-Based Clinical Trials (CBCT) Network |
| | 13 | 1990-1994, n.d. |
| | 14 | Conference materials, 1994 Mar-Apr |
| 11 | 1 | Multiple Opportunistic Infection Prophylaxis Study (MOPS), 1990 May-Jul (Agendas, memos, minutes, and protocols) |
| | | Conference materials |
| | 2 | 1989-1990, 1993 Feb |
| | 3 | Organizing Community-based Clinical Trials: Models for the AIDS Epidemic, 1989 May and Jul |
| | | Correspondence |
| | 4 | 1987-1989 |
| | 5 | 1990 Jan, Aug-1996 Dec, 1997 May, n.d. |
| | 6-7 | Internal memos, 1987-1996 |
| | | Manuscripts |
| | 8 | AIDS Treatment Manual, n.d. (Draft) |
| | 9 | Community-based clinical trials, 1990-circa 1991, n.d. |
| 12 | 1 | Community Research Initiative (CRI): A Proposal for the Prevention of AIDS", 1986 Sep and Nov |
| | 2 | Notes, 1993-1994 |
| | 3 | Organizational history, 1986-1994, n.d. |
| | 4 | Organizational re-structuring materials, 1994 Oct |
| | 5 | PAC [Physicians Advisory Committee?, 1989 May, n.d. |
| | 6 | Public affairs, 1988-1992, 1994, 1996, n.d. (Advertisements, brochures, press clippings, and press releases) |
| | 7 | Sonnabend's grievances and severance, 1995 Dec-1996 Sep, n.d. |

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| 12 | 8 | Miscellaneous, 1987-1996, n.d. |

V.C. PWA Health Group, 1987-1994, 1997-1999, n.d.

2 boxes

In 1987, Dr. Sonnabend co-founded the PWA (People with AIDS) Health Group with Thomas Hannon and Michael Callen. Initially formed to distribute egg lipids (AL 721), the organization evolved into a buyer's club where PWAs could get treatments not yet approved in the U.S. Of the many organizations he was involved with, Sonnabend's relationship with the PWA Health Group was the most successful, lasting until the group closed in 2000.

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|--|
| 12 | 9 | AL 721, 1987-1988, 1992, n.d. |
| | 10 | Board of Directors and committee materials, 1987-1988, 1991-1992, 1997-1998, n.d. |
| | 11 | Correspondence, 1987-1994, 1997-1999, n.d. |
| 13 | 1 | Organizational history, 1990, 1992, n.d. (By-laws, histories, mission statements, and notes) |
| | 2 | Miscellaneous, 1987-1993, 1997 Dec/1998 Jan, n.d. |

V.D. Other organizations, 1987-1989, 1999, n.d.

1 box

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|---|
| 13 | 3 | AIDS Treatment Data Network, 1999 Jun-Jul AIDS Treatment Registry (ATR) (See also Series II. Correspondence) 1987 Jun and Aug, 1988 Aug-Sep, 1989 |
| | 4 | |
| | 5 | Published and near-print materials, 1989, n.d. |

Series VI. Research files, 1963-2001, n.d.

12 boxes

Series VI. Research files is divided into three sub-series: VI.A. Interferon, VI.B. Sexually transmitted diseases, and VI.C. AIDS.

The majority of the materials in this series have been kept in their original order at the folder level.

VI.A. Interferon, 1963-1978, n.d.

5 boxes

Sub-series VI.A. Interferon is divided into three sub-sub-series: VI.A.1 National Institute for Medical Research, Mill Hill, London, VI.A.2. New York, and VI.A.3 Miscellaneous. The material contained in this sub-series has been arranged into sub-sub-series by the location where the research was conducted; when possible, the institution associated with the research has been identified.

VI.A.1. National Institute for Medical Research, Mill Hill, London, circa 1963-circa 1973, n.d.

3 boxes

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | | |
|------------|--|--|---|
| 13 | 6 | AA-tRNA synthesis [?, circa 1972? (Notes and graphs) | |
| | 7 | Annual report and notes, 1973 Feb, Jul 3, n.d. (Charts, drafts, and notes) | |
| | 8 | Annual reports on research, 1964-1966 | |
| | 9 | Graphs for/from Dr. Mallucci, [1964? Laboratory notebooks | |
| | 10 | 1964 Jul-1965 Jul | |
| | 11 | 1965 Nov-1966 Feb, n.d. | |
| | 14 | 1 | 1965 Nov-1966 Nov |
| | | 2 | circa 1966-1967 [? |
| | | 3 | Methods, circa 1968 |
| | | 4 | Pathology and treatment, 1964, 1965 Jan, 1968 Jan, n.d. |
| 5 | | Methods, after 1963 | |
| 6 | | Methods, notes, and an article by E.M. Martin, 1965, 1970, n.d. Notes | |
| 7 | | after 1963-circa 1970 | |
| 8 | | 1965 Aug 9, 1973 Feb 2, n.d. (Charts and graphs) | |
| 9 | 1973 May, n.d. (Charts and graphs) | | |
| 10-13 | undated (Charts and graphs) | | |
| 14 | Martin and Kerr's "Virus-Induced Changes in Host-Cell Macromolecular Synthesis", circa 1968 | | |
| 15 | 1 | Ribosomes [?, [circa 1969? (Charts, graphs, and notes) | |
| | 2 | Scientific Committee on Interferon, 1966-1969, n.d. | |
| | 3 | Symposiums, 1967-1969 | |
| | 4 | Taylor, Joyce, circa 1964-1965 (Article drafts and research report) Dr. Taylor was another interferon researcher at the National Institute for Medical Research. Writings (See also Series III. Writings) | |
| | 5 | circa 1963?-1967 (Drafts and graphs) | |
| | 6 | circa 1967, circa 1972-circa 1973, n.d. (Drafts and graphs/figure mock- ups) | |

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|--|
| 15 | 7-8 | The Protein-synthetic Activities of Ribosomes from Interferon-treated Cells", 1968, [circa 1969? (Drafts) |
| | 9 | Miscellaneous, circa 1967, 1969 May |
| | | VI.A.2. New York, 1970-1978, n.d. |
| | | 3 boxes |
| | | Mount Sinai School of Medicine, 1970-1972, n.d. |
| | 10 | Lab work papers, 1970 Mar, Jul, Sep-Oct |
| | 11 | Liquid scintillation counting solutions, 1971, n.d. (Correspondence, journal article, and notes) |
| | | National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases contract |
| | 12-13 | Antiviral Substances Program workshop, 1970 Nov 23 |
| | 14 | Purification of human interferon project, 1970-1972, n.d. (Correspondence, report draft, and notes) |
| | 15 | Purification of human interferon, 1972 May and Jul, n.d. (Drafts and notes) |
| 16 | 1 | Purification of human interferon annual contract progress report, circa 1971 Mar, 1972 Jul |
| | 2 | Polymerase of purified virus, 1970 Sep-Nov |
| | | State University of New York (SUNY) Downstate Medical Center, 1974-1975, [circa 1977?, n.d. |
| | 3 | Activities during academic year, 1974-1975 (Drafts) |
| | 4 | Correspondence regarding virology laboratory, 1974 Jan-Aug |
| | 5 | Development of the Antiviral State in Response to Interferon", 1974 Jan, n.d. (Grant application) |
| | | Notes |
| | 6 | 1974 Aug 7, n.d. (Charts and graphs) |
| | 7-8 | LLC-MK2 and U cells [?, 1975 Feb and circa Jun, n.d. (Charts and graphs) |
| | 9 | [Research in collaboration with Dr. Bablanian?, 1975 Feb 19, n.d. (Graphs and notes) |
| | 10-11 | [Studies on the Mechanism of Vaccina Virus Cytopathic Effects"?, [circa 1977? (Charts, draft, graphs, and notes) |
| | 12 | Vaccina virus, 1974, 1975, n.d. (Draft and notes) |
| | | International Workshop on Interferon in the Treatment of Cancer, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, 1974-1975, n.d. |
| | 13 | Conclusions and recommendations" and notes, 1975 |
| | 14 | Correspondence, 1974 Dec-1975, n.d. |
| | 15 | Introductory remarks, 1975 (Drafts and final version) |
| | 16 | Proposal, agenda, and fact sheets, 1975 Jan, Mar-Apr |
| | 17 | Report, 1975 Mar-May, n.d. |
| | | Miscellaneous, 1973, 1976-1978, n.d. Although these materials were produced in New York, more specific locations are not known. |
| 17 | 1 | Expenses, lease agreement, and work schedules, 1977 Nov, circa 1978, n.d. (Notes) |
| | 2 | Requirements for a diagnostic laboratory (various hospitals), 1973, 1976, n.d. |
| | 3 | Syphilis lecture, 1976, 1978, n.d. (Drafts) |

VI.A.3. Miscellaneous, 1963-after 1972, n.d.

1 box

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|--|
| 17 | 4 | Correspondence, 1963-1964, 1966-1967, 1969 This folder contains correspondence from Alick Isaacs, one of the discoverers of interferon. |
| | 5 | Initiation assay [circa 1971?] (Notes) Notes |
| | 6 | after 1972, n.d. |
| | 7-10 | undated (Charts, figures, and graphs) |
| | 11 | Protocols for standard interferon bioassays, n.d. |
| | 12 | Research on fundamental mechanisms relevant to the use of interferon in man [?, n.d. (Workshop notes) |
| | 13 | Miscellaneous, 1971, n.d. (Draft, graphs, and notes) |

VI.B. Sexually transmitted diseases, 1977-1983, n.d.

2 boxes

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|---|
| 17 | 14 | <i>The City of New York Sexually Transmitted Disease Newsletter</i> 1.1-5.3, 1977 Nov-1982 Mar (This run of the newsletter is incomplete.) |
| | 15 | Gay Men's Health Project, [circa 1979 ?, n.d. Hepatitis B vaccine, 1978-1983, n.d. |
| | 16 | Advisory committee materials, 1979 Jan-1980 Jan, n.d. (Agendas, minutes, and a member list) |
| | 17 | Correspondence, 1978 Oct-1979 Mar, 1982 Jul, n.d. |
| | 18 | Press clippings, circa 1978-1983, n.d. |
| 18 | 1 | Protocol and final report, 1978, circa 1981, n.d. (Drafts) |
| | 2 | What You Should Know about Hepatitis B in Gay Men and a New Hepatitis B Vaccine", circa 1978, n.d. (Draft and notes) |

VI.C. AIDS, after 1980-2001, n.d.

7 boxes

Sub-series VI.C. AIDS has been divided into five sub-sub-series: VI.C.1. AZT trial, VI.C.2. New York City-Omaha consortium, VI.C.3. Other research, VI.C.4. Bioethics, and VI.C.5. Printed material collected by Sonnabend.

VI.C.1. AZT trial, circa 1987-1991

1 box

Sub-sub-series VI.C.1. AZT trial contains material produced by and for the Food and Drug Administration's review of the AZT clinical trial. Dr. Sonnabend criticized the high dosage prescribed.

| | | |
|--|-----|--|
| | | Food and Drug Administration (FDA) |
| | 3 | Advisory Committee meeting, 1990 Jan 29-30 |
| | 4-5 | Review of New Drug Application NDA 19-655, circa 1987 Oct (Photocopies) |
| | 6 | Published and near-print materials, circa 1987 Oct, 1989-1991 |
| | 7 | Retrovir capsules NDA 19-655: Presentation for Anti-Infective Committee meeting, May 13, 1988 by Burroughs Wellcome Company, 1988 May 4 |
| | 8 | Miscellaneous, 1989 Aug |

Box Fol

VI.C.2. New York City-Omaha consortium, 1982-1989, n.d.

2 boxes

Sub-sub-series VI.C.2. New York City-Omaha consortium contains research notes, charts, graphs, and grant applications relating to an epidemiological study compiling information on approximately 400 AIDS and at risk patients from New York City and Omaha, Nebraska.

AL 721

- See also Series V.B. Community Research Initiative for more information regarding clinical trials on lipids (AL 721).
- | | | |
|----|-----|---|
| 19 | 1 | Data comparison charts for patients AL 1-5 [regarding treatment with AL 721?, 1987 |
| | 2 | Lab results for patients AL 2, 4, and 5, 1987 Apr-Jul |
| | 3 | Lipid study (AL 721), 1989 May, n.d. (Data, notes, and transparencies) |
| | 4 | Study of Side Effects of AL 721 on Immune Function in Patients with AIDS-Related Complex [ARC or Lymphadenopathy:” Patient lab results from the University of Nebraska, 1987 (Patients AL 1-3 and 5) |
| | 5 | “Association of Serum Interferon with Hematologic and Immunologic Parameters in Homosexual Men with AIDS and at Risk for AIDS in New York City” and related materials, 1983-1984, circa 1986, n.d. (Correspondence, draft, graphs, and lab results) |
| | 6 | Charts on Omaha gay[s, New York patients, vasectomized [patients, and lymphoma, circa 1984 (Photocopies) |
| | 7 | Coding sheet for lab information: AIDS study, 1983 Aug 17 |
| | 8 | Crude data from Omaha: T,B, and EBV markers, NK activity, clustering according to diagnosis, CBC, circa 1983, 1985 |
| | 9 | EBV Igs [Epstein Barr virus immunoglobulins, n.d. (Charts) |
| | 10 | EBV VCA IgG titers [Epstein Barr virus viral capsid antigen immunoglobulin G table, n.d. |
| | | Grant applications |
| | 11 | 1983, 1985, n.d. (Correspondence, draft, and table) |
| | 12 | Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (opportunistic infections and Kaposi's sarcoma)”, 1982 Oct, 1984 Sep |
| | 13 | HTLV 3 and AIDS” and notes, 1984-1985, n.d. (Charts, draft, graphs, and transparencies) |
| | 14 | “Immunological Responses to Epstein Barr Virus in Homosexual Men with AIDS and AIDS-associated Disorders,” [I International Conference on AIDS, Atlanta, Georgia, 1985 (Abstract and key mounted on cardboard) |
| | 15 | Laboratory notebook, 1985, n.d. (Charts and graphs) |
| | | Notes |
| | 16 | 1982, circa 1983, 1985, n.d. (Drafts, graphs, and transparencies) |
| | 17 | circa 1983 (Charts) |
| | 18 | 1984 (Data printouts and graphs) |
| | 19 | circa 1984, n.d. (Graphs) |
| 20 | 1-3 | circa 1984, 1985, n.d. (Data printouts, charts, graphs, tables, and transparencies) |
| | 4 | 1985 (Charts, drafts, and graphs) |
| | 5-6 | undated (Charts and graphs) |
| | 7 | Drafts, 1982-1985, n.d. (Charts, drafts, and notes) |
| | 8 | T4 and T8 percentages, lymphocytes, n.d. (Charts and graphs) |
| | 9 | Miscellaneous, 1985 May and Sep, n.d. (Charts) |

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|---|
| 19 | 10 | WBC [white blood cells and lymphocytes, n.d (Data charts) |
| | | VI.C.3. Other research, 1981-1997, n.d. |
| | | 2 boxes |
| | | Sub-sub-series VI.C.3. Other research contains research notes, charts, drafts, graphs, grant applications and proposals regarding AIDS that were not associated with the New York City-Omaha consortium. |
| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
| 20 | 11 | The AIDS Initiative at St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital Center, 1987 Oct 27 |
| | 12 | Alloantigen [? notes, 1984 Jul, n.d. (Charts and graphs) |
| | 13 | The American Health Foundation AIDS risk factor questionnaire, 1987 Sep 2 |
| | 14 | AZT and alpha interferon, 1992, n.d. (Drafts and graphs) |
| | 15 | Establishment of an interferon laboratory at St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital Center: "Interferon Related Studies: Relevance and Potential Contribution to AIDS Research", 1983 Jul 5 |
| | 16 | "Immune Responses to Spermatozoa in Homosexual Men" notes, 1982, n.d. |
| | 17 | Igs [immunoglobulins, 1984 Oct 29, n.d. |
| | 18 | Institute Pasteur notes, 1984 May (Photocopies) |
| | 19 | Interferon [and immune association, n.d. |
| | 20 | Interferon assays, circa 1984, n.d. Grant applications and research proposals |
| | 21 | American Cancer Society's Research Development Program, 1981 Jun 3 |
| | 22 | "Behavior, Infection, Immune Response: Men and Women Compared", 1984 Oct |
| | 23 | "The Effects of Total Exchange Transfusion of Packed Erythrocytes with High CR1 Activity in Patients with HIV Infection", circa 1990 |
| | 24 | "Potential for Immunity against HIV-1 Infection: Virological and Immunological Studies in an HIV-1-seronegative Healthy Individual with a Seven-year History of HIV-1 Infection", 1991 Jul 1 (Draft) |
| | 25 | "The Significance of Alpha Interferon in AIDS", 1988, n.d. (Drafts and notes) |
| | 26 | "Survival of AIDS Patients Attending a Private Practice in New York City", circa 1992 Jan |
| | 27 | Lecture, circa 1994 Nov 27, n.d. (Drafts and slides) |
| 21 | 1 | Naitrexone study, 1985 (Charts) Notes |
| | 2 | 1984 Apr 17, n.d. (Charts, graph, and transparencies) |
| | 3 | 1985, n.d. (Graphs) |
| | 4 | 1986, circa 1997, n.d. (Charts and graphs) |
| | 5 | circa 1986, 1993, n.d. (Facsimile, graphs, and a report) This folder contains some material related to the New York City-Omaha consortium. |
| | 6 | 1988, n.d. (Charts, correspondence, and graphs) |
| | 7 | circa 1989, n.d. |
| | 8 | undated (Tables) |
| | 9 | Miscellaneous, circa 1982, 1985-1997, n.d. |
| | 10 | Miscellaneous, circa 1984 Jun, 1991 Mar, n.d. |

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|--|------------|---|
| VI.C.4. Bioethics, 1983-1987, 1991-1994, 1999, n.d. | | |
| 2 boxes | | |
| Conferences, symposiums, and workshops | | |
| 21 | 11 | “AIDS, Ethics, and the Blood Supply,” American Blood Commission and The Hastings Center, 1984 Nov-1985 Jan, n.d. |
| | 12 | Confidentiality and Research into AIDS” and “AIDS: Public Health and Civil Liberties,” The Hastings Center, 1983-1987, n.d. |
| | | Ethics of HIV Research in a Primary Care Setting” This series of meetings was co-sponsored by the Community Research Initiative on AIDS. |
| | 13 | Correspondence, 1992 Aug, 1993 Aug-Dec, 1994 Apr |
| | 14 | Grant application to the American Foundation for AIDS Research (amfAR), 1992 Jun-1994 Sep, n.d. |
| | 15 | Grant application to the Greenwall Foundation, 1993 Jul, n.d. |
| 22 | 1 | Meeting agendas, minutes, and notes, 1993 Sep-1994 Apr, n.d. |
| | 2 | Meetings 1 and 3, 1993 Sep, 1994 May |
| | 3 | Notes, n.d. |
| | 4 | Working group, 1992-1994, n.d. |
| | 5 | “Psychological Aspects of AIDS,” Institute for the Advancement of Health, 1984 Nov 30 and Dec |
| | 6 | Informed consent, 1983-1984, 1991, 1995, n.d. |
| | 7 | Quarantine, 1984, n.d. |
| | 8 | Miscellaneous, 1985, 1987, 1999, n.d. |

VI.C.5. Printed material collected by Sonnabend, circa 1980-1994, 1998-2001, n.d.

3 boxes

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|--|
| 22 | 9 | AIDS activism and treatment, 1989-1993, 1998, n.d. |
| | 10 | AIDS and Africa, circa 1994, 2001 May |
| | | AIDS and South Africa |
| | 11 | 1992 Jul 30 (Correspondence, photocopies, and a publication) |
| | 12 | President Mbeki's advisory panel, 2000 Jun and circa Jul (Agenda and correspondence) |
| | 13 | AIDS and syphilis, 1984, 1987-1988, 1991, n.d. |
| | 14 | AIDS dissidents, 1988, circa 1989, [circa 1993? |
| | 15 | AIDS for Primary Care Physicians and Other Care Givers”, 1988 Sep |
| 23 | 1 | <i>AIDS Forum</i> 1.2 and 2.1, 1989 May and May |
| | 2 | AIDS research, circa 1982-1984, 1987, circa 1989, circa 1990, n.d. |
| | 3 | AIDS Research, 1983, 1986 <i>AIDS Research</i> was the first medical journal dedicated to AIDS. As the founding editor, Dr. Sonnabend served from its inception in 1983 until 1986, when the journal was re-created as <i>AIDS Research and Human Retroviruses</i> . |
| | | Conference materials |
| | 4 | 1983-1984, 1986, 1988, circa 1991, 1998 Jul |
| | 5 | Ephemera, 1983-1990, 1999, n.d. This folder consists of ephemera from conferences at which Dr. Sonnabend presented. |
| | 6 | International AIDS Symposium: “AIDS: A Different View,” Amsterdam, Netherlands, 1992 May (Drafts, handouts, and notes) This folder contains a press release disassociating the signers from Dr. Peter Duesberg's views on safe sex and AIDS. See also the folder titled “AIDS dissidents” in this sub-sub-series. |

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Fol</u> | |
|------------|------------|--|
| 23 | 7 | Ephemera of AIDS and gay and lesbian organizations, 1984-1985, circa 1988-1989, n.d. |
| | 8 | Federal government and AIDS 1983-1984 |
| | 9-10 | AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG) Committee minutes, 1987 Dec-1988 Jul |
| | 11 | Community Constituency Group, 1990 Nov |
| | 12 | Protocol review, 1987 Sep-1988 Mar |
| | 13 | Protocols, 1987 Apr 14 and 1990 Sep 14 |
| | 14 | Miscellaneous, 1990 Jul 25, n.d. |
| 24 | 1 | <i>Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report: MMWR</i> 30.21; 31.19, 21, 26-27, 44, 1981, 1982 |
| | 2 | New York City fact finding mission to San Francisco, 1985 Jan and Mar |
| | 3 | Speeches, 1983 Oct 4 and 1984 May 26 |
| | 4 | Miscellaneous, [after 1980-circa 1985 ?, [1988?, 1990s, n.d. |