



**FINDING AID TO
THE SANFORD UNGER PAPERS,
1961-1974**

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Descriptive Summary

Creator Information	Unger, Sanford, 1931-
Title	Sanford Unger papers
Collection Identifier	MSP 69
Date Span	1961-1974, predominant 1961-1971
Abstract	The Sanford Unger papers (1961-1974; 0.2 cubic feet) contains several articles concerning the effects of psychedelic drugs on alcoholics and individuals suffering from neurotic disorders, as well as the implication of those drugs on religious visions and mysticism. The collection also contains the correspondence between Aldous and Laura Huxley and Sanford Unger, as well as a DVD of "LSD: The Spring Grove Experiment."
Extent	0.2 cubic feet (1 box)
Finding Aid Author	Kristin Leaman, 2011
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Administrative Information

Location Information:	ASC
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Subjects and Genres

Persons

Unger, Sanford, 1931-
Huxley, Aldous, 1894-1963
Huxley, Laura Archera

Topics

LSD (Drug)--Therapeutic use
Psychiatry
Psychotherapy
Psychology
Psilocybin
Hallucinogenic drugs and religious experience--Cross-cultural studies

Form and Genre Types

Articles
Correspondence
DVD
Manuscripts for publication

Occupations

Psychology
Psychiatry
Psychotherapy

Biography of Sanford Unger

Sanford Unger received his BA from Anitoch College in 1953, his MA from Cornell University in 1955, and his PhD from Cornell University in 1960. Unger served as a research scientist at the National Institutes of Health from 1960 to 1965 and Chief of Psychosocial Research at the Maryland State Psychiatric Research Center from 1965 to 1973. He also was an adjunct faculty member at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine from 1966 to 1992. Unger has published several articles including “LSD and Psychotherapy: A Bibliography of the English-Language Literature,” “Mescaline, LSD, Psilocybin, and Personality Change,” “The Use of LSD: Reflections and Observations” and has co-authored articles such as “Psychedelic (LSD) Therapy of Neurotic Disorders: Short Term Effects” and “The Experimental Use of Psychedelic (LSD) Psychotherapy.”

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Descriptive Rules Anglo-American Cataloguing Rules, 2nd Edition / Describing Archives: A Content Standard

Processing Information

All materials have been placed in archival housing.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

1 Box, Sanford Unger papers, 1961-1974

Folder

1. Articles and Correspondence, 1961-1974

First draft of *A Study of The Religious Relevance of guided Psilocybin Session* by Joel Fort and Sanford Unger, 1970

“Psychedelic Therapy Utilizing LSD in the Treatment of the Alcoholic Patient: A Preliminary Report, 1967

“The Seven Tongues of God” by Timothy Leary, 1964

“Psychedelic (LSD) Therapy of Neurotic Disorders: Short Term Effects” by O. Lee McCabe, Charles Savage, Albert Kurland, and Sanford Unger, 1972

“The Experimental Use of Psychedelic (LSD) Psychotherapy” by Walter N. Pahnke, Albert A. Kurland, Sanford Unger, Charles Savage, and Stanislav Grof, 1970

“Implications of LSD and Experimental Mysticism” by Walter N. Pahnke and William A. Richards, 1966

“Do Drugs Have Religious Import” by Huston Smith, 1964

“Stereospecific Actions of DOET (2,5-Dimethoxy-40Ethylamphetamine) in Man” by Solomon H. Snyder, Sanford Unger, Robert Blatchley, and Charles Barfknecht, 1974

“The Hallucinogenic Fungi of Mexico: An Inquiry Into the Origins of the Religious Idea Among Primitive Peoples” by R. Gordon Wasson, 1961

The Current Scientific Status of Psychedelic Drug Research by Sanford M. Unger, 1964

Electrical Brain Stimulation and LSD-Type Drugs: A Study Document Prepared for The National Council of the Churches of Christ by Sanford Unger for the Conference on Church Renewal, 1967

“LSD and Psychotherapy: A Bibliography of the English-Language Literature” by Sanford M. Unger, 1964

“LSD-Type Drugs and Psychedelic Therapy” by Sanford Unger, Albert A. Kurland, John W. Shaffer, Charles Savage, Sidney Wolf, Robert Leihy, O. Lee

McCabe, and Harry Shock, 1968

“Mescaline, LSD, Psilocybin, and Personality Change” A Review by Sanford M. Unger, 1963

“The Psychedelic Use of LSD: Reflections and Observations” by Sanford Unger, 1969

2. Correspondence, 1963-1969

Correspondence with Aldous and Laura Huxley, 1963-1969

3. Media, 1967

VHS copy of *The Spring Grove Experiment*, 1967

DVD copy of *The Spring Grove Experiment*, 1967