

Griffith Institute Archive Description of material

This description is based on the General International Standard Archival
Description ISAD(G)

1. *Identity statement*

Reference code n/a

Title Heathcote negatives.

Dates of creation of the material 1922-1933

Extent 2500 negatives in 22 albums

2. *Context*

Name of creator Heathcote, Reginald St. Alban (1888-1951)

Administrative and biographical history

Surgeon and pharmacologist. Born in West Deeping, Lincs, educated at Winchester, New College Oxford and University College Hospital. He served in the R.A.M.C. and the R.N.V.R. during the 1914-18 war, before returning to Oxford to complete his studies in pharmacology.

In 1922 Heathcote was appointed as the first holder of the chair of pharmacology at the University of Cairo, a post he held until 1933. During his time in Egypt he travelled extensively, forming a notable collection of photographs of Egyptian antiquities.

On his return to Britain he took up a post at the Welsh National School of Medicine at Cardiff, eventually becoming Professor of Pharmacology, a post he held until his death.

See *British Medical Journal* (June 2, 1951) p. 1267; *The Lancet* (June 2, 1951).

Custodial history In the possession of the creator until his death in 1951.

Immediate source of acquisition Donated to the Griffith Institute by his son Dr. A. G. S. Heathcote in 1951.

Related documentation Griffith Institute Archive MSS Correspondence box file.

3. *Content and structure*

Scope and content Negatives of Egyptian antiquities, scenes of daily life and landscapes.

System of arrangement Kept as received.

4. *Access and use*

Legal status Property of the Griffith Institute.

Access conditions Negatives unavailable for consultation.

Copyright conditions Copyright Griffith Institute, Oxford.

Language of material English.

Physical characteristics Negatives presumed to be nitrate and therefore unstable.

Finding aids None.

5. Allied materials area

Location of originals These are originals.

Existence of copies Digital scans have been made of the complete holding.

Related units of description None.

Associated material Not known.

Publications A selection of 103 images can be seen at <http://www.griffith.ox.ac.uk/gri/heathcote/>