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## Papers of Ragbir Singh Bhathal, 1949-2006 (bulk 1996-1999) [manuscript]

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### Details

MS 9365 relates to an oral history project on eminent Australian women scientists conducted by Dr Ragbir Bhathal for the National Library of Australia. They consist of correspondence between Bhathal and the interviewees relating to interview arrangements, a list of questions to be asked during the interview, journal articles written by the interviewees and newscuttings about them. There are transcripts of the interviews for eight of the women. There are also papers (typescripts, notes and correspondence) relating to the publication of Profiles, Australian women scientists. Published by the National Library in 1999, the book is based on the oral history interviews (6 boxes). The Acc06.161 instalment consists of 9 colour photographs of Australian observatories, including observatories at Windsor and The Rocks, Sydney. The photographs relate to Bhathal's book Australian backyard astronomy (with Jenny Bhathal, 2006) (1 folder). The Acc08.072 instalment includes papers and correspondence relating to conferences that Bhathal organised or attended, correspondence and drafts for the oral history project and the book Profiles, Australian women scientists, audio recordings of interviews conducted by Bhathal for the Australian astronomers oral history project, and astronomical photographs from the Mount Palomar Southern Sky Survey, and press cuttings (2 boxes, 17 elephant folios). The Acc08.121 instalment comprises research notes, illustrations, draft transcripts and correspondence with interviewees for the Australian Astronomers project, a paper on Campbelltown Rotary Observatory for Astronomical Society of Australia, research papers by Dr Robert Delbourgo for the Australian Physicists project, papers by Professor Cheryl E. Praeger for the Australian Women Scientists project (2 boxes).

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