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Rob Evans' list: his descriptions and arrangement have been retained

A (1 box)

- Public Record Office papers on the scheme to recruit volunteers from the armed forces to take part in experiments at the chemical defence establishment, Porton Down from 1927 to 1968, chronological order, with some press cuttings (and additional material on chemical warfare testing of humans in other countries - former Soviet Union and Israel).

- Public Record Office papers relating to the award of war pensions for poison gas disabilities after the First World War - mainly files with the class mark of PIN at the Public Record Office, chronological order.

B (1 box)

- Public Record Office papers relating to meetings of the Advisory Council on Scientific Research and Technical Development - items on chemical and biological warfare - 1947 to 1965, chronological order.

- Public Record Office papers relating to meetings of the Chemical Defence Advisory Board of the Advisory Council on Scientific Research and Technical Development - 1947 to 1966 (including annual reviews), chronological order.

C (1 box)

- Public Record Office papers relating to meetings of the Biology Committee and the Applied Biology Committee of the Chemical Defence Advisory Board of the Advisory Council on Scientific Research and Technical Development - 1947 to 1968, chronological order.

D (1 box)

- Public Record Office papers relating to meetings of the Chemistry of the Chemical Defence Advisory Board of the Advisory Council on Scientific Research and Technical Development - 1950 to 1961, chronological order.

- Public Record Office papers relating to miscellaneous committees of the Advisory Council on Scientific Research and Technical Development post 1945 - Physics and Physical Chemistry Committee, Offensive Evaluation Committee, Microbial Products Committee and Weapon Research Committee.

E (1 box)

- Collection of papers relating to the testing of LSD and other mental incapacitants on human volunteers at Porton Down in the 1960s, includes parliamentary answers, Public Record Office documents describing experiments (in chronological order) and United States Department of Defence report into long-term health effects of LSD.

F (1 box)

- Miscellaneous collection of papers relating to the testing of LSD and other mental incapacitants on human volunteers at Porton Down in the 1960s,

includes some Public Record Office documents, press articles, correspondence, parliamentary answers, notes/transcript of television programme (3A)

- Collection of papers relating to the testing of LSD on human volunteers in the United States of America in the 1960s, includes documents from Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) recording tests and press cuttings(3C)

F1 (1 box)

- background material on health effects of LSD (3D)

- Collection of papers relating to the testing of a compound known as TL2636 on human volunteers at Porton Down in the 1960/70s, mainly technical reports, including dissertation by Caitriona McLeish on "the governance of dual-use technologies in chemical warfare" (3E)

- Collection of papers relating to the testing of compounds known as BZ and glycollates on human volunteers at Porton Down in the 1960/70s, mainly technical reports (3G)

- One technical paper relating to the testing of a compound known as pyrexal on human volunteers at Porton Down in 1959/1960

G (1 box)

- Public Record Office papers relating to the formal exchange of information on chemical and biological warfare between Britain and the United States of America between 1948 and 1964, in chronological order (includes other material).

H (1 box)

- Public Record Office papers relating to the search at Porton Down for new chemical agents between 1958 and 1962

- Collection of press cuttings, some Public Record Office papers and miscellaneous documents on Porton Down's work on herbicides, the use of defoliants by Britain in Malaya and by the United States of America in Vietnam

- Public Record Office papers relating to the testing of chemical warfare agents on humans at universities in the Second World War

- Public Record Office papers relating to the testing of Lewisite on human volunteers at Porton Down in 1920s-1940s

I (1 box)

- Collection of official documents - annual reports of Porton Down 1991/2, 1992/3, 1993/4; brochures outlining the work of Porton Down, 1977, 1988 and 1990s; annual reports of the Defence Evaluation and Research Agency 1995/6 and 1998/9; bibliography of books and booklets on chemical and biological warfare 1918-1993 compiled by Porton; booklet and press cuttings about open days held by Porton in the late 1960s; draft bill to implement the Chemical Weapons Convention in UK, consultation paper for industry on implementing

Chemical Weapons Convention, annual reports of the operation of the Chemical Weapons Act 1997 and 1999; book of cartoons from New Scientist magazine about Porton Down.

J (1 box)

- Collection of articles and notes on the use of poison gas in the First World War and Public Record Office papers on the testing of chemical weapons on humans at Porton Down in the First World (includes papers of Joseph Barcroft).

K (1 box)

- Public Record Office papers relating to the debate within the government on whether to test V class of nerve gas on service volunteers at Porton Down between 1957 and 1962, chronological order (with additional papers on the discovery and development of V-agents).

- Public Record Office papers relating to the testing of V-class of nerve agents on human volunteers at Porton Down between 1961 and 1964, chronological order.

L (1 box)

- Chemical Weapons Convention Bulletin (Quarterly Journal of the Harvard Sussex Program on CBW Armament and Arms Limitation), 1988 to 1997, chronological order (some issues missing)

L 1 (1 box)

- Chemical Weapons Convention Bulletin (Quarterly Journal of the Harvard Sussex Program on CBW Armament and Arms Limitation), 1998 onwards, chronological order.

- Collection of magazines relating to chemical and biological weapons issues - Federation of American Scientists public interest report; Unmask; Information Network on CBW - news chronology 1989; CBW news 1990-1993

- Photocopies from ADIU Report, the Armament and Disarmament Information Unit of the Science Policy Research Unit, Sussex University, 1983-1988

L 2 (1 box)

- Publications of the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute including New Weapons for Old (1975), The Effects of developments in the biological and chemical sciences on CW disarmament negotiations (1974), Medical Protection against chemical warfare agents (1976), Delayed Toxic effects of chemical warfare agents (1975), and excerpts from various yearbooks

- Chemical warfare policy and related issues from 1945 to late 1960s, mainly papers and notes from the Public Record Office from the Defence committee and the Defence and Overseas Policy committee of the Cabinet, the Joint Intelligence Committee, the Defence Research Policy Committee, the Chiefs of Staff committee, and the private offices of Ministry of Defence ministers (with miscellaneous papers on biological warfare decisions in World War Two).

L 3 (1 box)

- Possible long-term health effects of short-term exposure to chemical agents, Committee on Toxicology of the (United States) National Research Council (volumes 1 (1982), 2 (1984) and 3 (1985), Washington.

- "Is military research hazardous to veterans' health? Lessons spanning half a century" -a staff report prepared for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, United States Senate, 1994.

L 4 (1 box)

- "Veterans at risk - the health effects of mustard gas and lewisite", (United States) Institute of Medicine, Washington, 1993 - accompanying press releases

- Miscellaneous publications - "Use of volunteers in chemical agent research", report by Inspector-General of United States Army, 1976; guidelines on the practice of ethics committees in medical research involving human subjects, Royal College of Physicians, 1990; research on healthy volunteers, Royal College of Physicians, 1986; Radiation in Medical Research Council supported research in the 1950s and 1960s, a report of a committee of inquiry, 1995.

M (1 box)

- Public Record Office papers relating to the annual reports of chemical warfare research at Porton Down from 1921 to 1965, chronological order, includes two internal histories of Porton Down.

M1 (1 box)

- Miscellaneous research notes from Public Record Office files and indexes regarding chemical and biological warfare.

N (2 boxes)

- Public Record Office papers relating to the testing of various chemicals on humans at Porton Down between the First and Second World War, subdivided by class of chemicals - mustard gas, new compounds, arsenicals, SK gas and miscellaneous.

- Public Record Office papers relating to the use of tear gas in the British Empire in late 1940s and 1950s

- various papers from Public Record Office and United States of America government on toxicology of CN tear gas

O (1 box)

- Collection of papers on the development and use of CS tear gas from 1930s to the present day, including press articles, technical papers and Public Record Office documents describing testing of this gas on human volunteers at Porton Down.

O1 (1 box)

- Collection of press articles, technical documents, official reports and parliamentary answers on the use of CS tear gas by police forces, 1970s to present day

O2 (1 box)

- Collection of papers on the development and use of pepper gas from 1920s to the present day, including press articles, parliamentary answers, technical papers, American government documents, and Public Record Office documents describing testing of this gas on human volunteers at Porton Down.

- Collection of papers on the development and use of CR tear gas from 1970s to the present day, including press articles, parliamentary answers, technical papers and Public Record Office documents describing testing of this gas on human volunteers at Porton Down.

- Technical paper and parliamentary answers on the testing of I-MCHT chemical on human volunteers at Porton Down.

- Collection of papers on the testing of radioactive materials on human volunteers at Porton Down in the 1950s and 1960s, including Public Record Office documents, press coverage, parliamentary answers, and scientific papers (includes papers on proposals for the firing of components of nuclear weapons at Porton in the late 1950s).

P (1 box)

- Collection of Public Record Office papers on the testing of chemical weapons on humans by Porton scientists in India and the policy governing the use of chemical weapons in India between 1920 and 1945, chronological order

Q (1 box)

- Collection of papers relating to the testing of chemical weapons on service personnel in Australia during the Second World War by Australian and British scientists, including research notes by Observer television company for programme in 1994, transcript of BBC Horizon in 1991, press articles mainly from Australia, scientific articles on the experiments, Public Record Office papers, miscellaneous technical documents, copies of Australian government report on the subject and some reports from the United States of America government.

R (1 box)

Collection of papers relating to chemical warfare in the Second World War, subdivided :

- testing of chemical weapons on service personnel in Canada during the Second World War by Canadian and British scientists, including press cuttings mainly from Canada, Public Record Office papers, and Canadian government reports

- Public Record Office papers on the war diaries of Chemical Warfare Companies

- Papers from the Public Record Office and the United States of America government on mustard gas experiments

- testing of chemical weapons on service personnel by the United States of American government, mainly press cuttings, and miscellaneous matters including US tests in Panama

- Public Record Office papers on various experiments with chemical weapons and other compounds by Porton Down.

S (1 box)

- Collection of correspondence, parliamentary answers, press articles, official documents and Public Record Office papers about the former nerve gas factory at Nancekuke, Cornwall, 1950s and 2001.

- Public Record Office papers relating to nerve gases and British policy on nerve gases between early 1940s and 1953, chronological order.

T (1 box)

- Public Record Office papers describing the testing of nerve gas on human volunteers at Porton Down between 1945 and 1956, chronological order (includes papers from World War Two).

U (2 boxes)

- Collection of parliamentary answers, press articles, official documents, Porton technical papers (from 1970s-90s), and Public Record Office papers about the development of protective measures by Porton Down against chemical and biological weapons, 1950s to present day.

- Collection of parliamentary answers and Public Record Office papers about the testing of chemical weapons by Porton Down at an experimental establishment in Nigeria in the early 1950s.

- Collection of press cuttings, parliamentary answers and Public Record Office papers about the question of testing of biological warfare agents by Porton Down on humans and alleged testing of biological warfare agents on humans by Porton Down, with additional material on the Microbiological Research Establishment at Porton Down and the testing of biological weapons on humans by Iraq and Japan.

- Collection of Public Record Office papers and American government documents (obtained through the US Freedom of Information act) about British plans to purchase a quantity of nerve gas from the United States of America government in 1953/54.

V (4 boxes)

- Collection of Public Record Office papers, official documents, parliamentary questions, press cuttings on the development of British policy on offensive and defensive chemical warfare between 1919 and 1997, chronological order

W (1 box)

- Papers relating to the death of Ronald Maddison (1953) and the re-opened inquest (2004).

X 1 (1 box)

- Collection of Public Record Office papers about large-scale biological warfare trials conducted by Porton Down in public places between 1953 and 1977

X 2 (1 box)

- Collection of Public Record Office papers about large-scale biological warfare trials conducted by Porton Down in public places between 1953 and 1977

X3 (1 box)

- Collection of press cuttings, official documents, correspondence about large-scale biological warfare trials conducted by Porton Down in public places between 1953 and 1977

Y (2 boxes)

- Collection of papers relating to the question of long-term health effects of chemical agents on humans, includes National Archive documents, Porton Down reports, government reports, scientific articles, press reports, United States government reports, and parliamentary answers and letters.

"binaries" (1 box)

- Collection of papers relating to the development of the "binary" form of nerve gas by the United States of America, 1970s-1980s, and British policy on this development, including press articles, official documents from the United States of America, parliamentary questions and reports.

Observer 1 (1 box)

Transcripts of interviews conducted by Observer Films for ITV programme "Secrets of Porton Down" broadcast on October 11 1994

- Riley Housewright, scientific director of US chemical and biological warfare establishment Fort Detrick 1956-1972
- Tom Watkins, director of Porton Down between 1972 and 1974 and chemist at Porton Down from 1940s
- Rex Watson, director of Porton Down between 1974 and 1983
- Graham Pearson, director of Porton Down between 1984 and 1995
- Tom Griffiths, fitter at chemical warfare plant at Nancekuke between 1951 and 1965 and his wife Eileen
- Neville Gadsby, director of Porton Down 1968-72

Observer 2 (1 box)

* Transcript of "Secrets of Porton Down" broadcast on ITV on October 11 1994

* Transcripts of interviews conducted by Observer Films for ITV programme "Secrets of Porton Down" broadcast on October 11 1994

- Connie Perchura, joint editor of "Veterans at Risk - the health effects mustard gas and lewisite", United States Institute of Medicine, 1993
- Russell O'Berry, volunteer in American chemical warfare experiment, 1944
- John Postage, Porton scientist in 1960s
- Alistair Hay, chemical pathologist and authority on chemical weapons, Leeds University
- Sigmund Eckhaus, associate technical director at US chemical warfare establishment, Edgewood Arsenal, 1950-1986
- Julian Perry Robinson, expert on chemical and biological weapons, Sussex

University

- Mick Roche, volunteer in experiment at Porton Down 1963
- Saul Hormats, head of chemical research at US chemical warfare establishment, Edgewood Arsenal until 1972

PQs 1992-4 (1 box)

- * Copies of parliamentary answers and letters from Porton Down to MPs regarding testing of chemicals on human volunteers at Porton Down and other chemical and biological warfare matters - 1992 to 1994 (includes booklet of photocopies of Parliamentary answers)

PQs 1995 (1 box)

- * Copies of parliamentary answers and letters from Porton Down to MPs regarding testing of chemicals on human volunteers at Porton Down and other chemical and biological warfare matters - 1995

PQs 1996 (1 box)

- * Copies of parliamentary answers and letters from Porton Down to MPs regarding testing of chemicals on human volunteers at Porton Down and other chemical and biological warfare matters - 1996

PQs 1997 (1 box)

- * Copies of parliamentary answers and letters from Porton Down to MPs regarding testing of chemicals on human volunteers at Porton Down and other chemical and biological warfare matters - 1997

PQs 1998 (1 box)

- * Copies of parliamentary answers and letters from Porton Down to MPs regarding testing of chemicals on human volunteers at Porton Down and other chemical and biological warfare matters - 1998

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- * Also subdivided - Copies of parliamentary answers and letters from Porton Down to MPs regarding testing of chemicals on human volunteers at Porton Down and other chemical and biological warfare matters - 1999-2000 (marked PQs 1999-2000)

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- * Photocopies from US National Defense Research Committee summarising progress of research into chemical weapons, 1946.

3A and 3B (1 box)

- * (3A) Collection of press articles on the so-called "Yellow Rain" controversy - dispute over the alleged use of chemical weapons by Soviet Union-backed forces in south-east Asia in the early 1980s.
- * (3B) Collection of press articles, official documents, other documents and parliamentary answers on global negotiations to achieve a treaty banning chemical weapons, late 1960s to late 1990s, including material from opposition groups on Iraqi use of chemical weapons (in two files both marked 3B)