Henry Moore Artwork Catalogue - Detailed Report



Dorothy Hodgkin's Hands

Catalogue Number HMF 78(38)

Artwork Type Drawing

Date 1978

Dimensions paper: 329 x 252 mm

Medium pencil

Paper Support white heavyweight wove

Signature pencil I.I. Moore/78

Ownership The Henry Moore Foundation: acquired 1987

More Information

This is the first of a series of ten drawings HMF 78(38)-78(47) of

the hands of crystallographer and Nobel prizewinner, Professor Dorothy Hodgkin. Despite severe arthritis, Hodgkin carried out intricate experiments in X-ray crystallography, for which she was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1964. The drawings were made in response to a request from Rex Richards on behalf of the Royal Society, which had originally proposed a portrait of the distinguished chemist. Moore also made five lithographs, CGM 484-488, based on the drawings.