

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE0294

## Cookson, Isabel Clifton

(1893 - 1973)

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**Born** 1 December, 1893, Melbourne Victoria Australia

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**Died** 1 July, 1973

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**Occupation** Botanist

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### Summary

Isabel Clifton Cookson was born in Melbourne in December 1893 and educated at Hambleton Ladies' College and later at the Methodist Ladies' College before entering the University of Melbourne where she graduated B.Sc. in 1916. She tutored at Newman and was appointed as Lecturer in Botany "including evening") for 1930 and remained associated with the Department until her death on 1 July 1973, when she was still a Research Associate. She visited Europe for the first time in 1925, and in 1929 studied at the University of Manchester under Professor Lang, a specialist in fossil plants. In 1948 she received a Leverhulme Research Grant and in 1952 attended the 40th session of the Indian Science Congress.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Where are the Women in Australian science?, Australian Science and Technology Heritage Centre, 2003,  
<http://www.austehc.unimelb.edu.au/wisa/wisa.html>

#### Resource Section

Cookson, Isabel Clifton (1893-1973), Dettmann, Mary E., 2006,  
<http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A130544b.htm>

#### Edited Book

200 Australian Women: A Redress Anthology, Radi, Heather, 1988

### Archival resources

#### The University of Melbourne Archives

[Cookson, Isabel Clifton](#)

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