

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT
DEMYELINATION: MECHANISMS AND BACKGROUND

September 9th & 10th, 1990, Otsu city, Japan
A Satellite Symposium of the XIth International Congress of Neuropathology

Recent advances in Neuroimmunology and Neurovirology have brought into focus new concepts and more detailed information on the processes of demyelination. These have been the topics of a number of separate workshops in recent years. At the XIth International Congress of Neuropathology to be held in Kyoto, Japan, Sept. 2-8 1990, the topic "Pathology of Myelin Sheath" has been chosen as one of the workshop themes. The Kyoto workshop will deal with anatomy and chemistry of myelin sheaths, myelin break down due to inborn errors, intoxication, viral infection and immunologic processes, as well as human demyelinating diseases. Since this workshop will not have the scope to cover several recent, perhaps more urgent, problems relating to the demyelinating conditions, the Organizers have decided to hold another meeting in Otsu City as a Satellite Symposium of the main Congress. This Symposium will be an extension of the Kyoto workshop. Sessions 2-7 below will each comprise several talks by leading investigators in the field.

Satellite Symposium Organizing Committee:

I. V. Allen (UK), M. B. Bornstein (USA), H. Lassmann (Austria), D. E. McFarlin (USA), H. Nishitani (Japan), C. S. Raine (USA), T. Tabira (Japan), B. H. Waksman (USA), H. deF. Webster (USA) and T. Yonezawa (Japan).

Program Outline:

- (1) Introductory remark.
- (2) Autoimmune processes in demyelination. (Waksman)
- (3) EAE, acute and chronic, as animal model of demyelinating disease. (Lassmann)
- (4) Viral infection and demyelination, HAM/TSP and others. (McFarlin)
- (5) Demyelinating diseases in man. (Allen)
- (6) Immunological background of myelin destruction. (Raine)
- (7) Therapeutic trials, immunosuppression. (Bornstein, Lyon-Coen and Nishitani)
- (8) Others (free communications)

Free communications are welcomed. Send abstracts (up to 250 words) to:
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