Book Review – Buchbesprechung – Livre nouveau


In this book of more than 800 pages are the papers presented at the First Symposium on Metabolic Aspects of Atherosclerosis held in Bologna from the 16th to 18th of June 1972. Most of the papers are in Italian, some are in French and some in English, but for all articles there are summaries in the three languages. In the first part of the Symposium the metabolic problems in atherosclerosis – particularly obesity, diabetes, carbohydrate and lipid metabolism – have been covered. The second part is dealing with the nutritional problems, giving main consideration to the effects of various carbohydrates on serum lipids. The therapeutic problems were examined in the third part. The pharmacologic and metabolic actions of biguamides were initially dealt with and then prostaglandins, clofi-brate and other drugs generally used in the therapy of obesity, diabetes and hyperlipidemia were discussed.

The Symposium was an interesting one, but there were too many papers in such a short time. Completely missed were the results from epidemiological and prevention studies.

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