# XIIIth International Symposium on Glycoconjugates

On behalf of the Organizing Committee for GLYCO XIII, I am also pleased to provide a more detailed outline of the program. First, I would like to emphasize that the poster session is of central importance. All posters will be on display during the entire symposium period, and we are hoping to set aside special poster discussion times in the evenings. Based on my past experiences, I believe that the 'hot new findings' will often be found in the posters rather than the plenary lectures or symposium talks.

We have defined 32 minisymposia (topic sessions) as listed below. Each session will be organized and chaired by two leading scientists in the specific field; names of most of the organizers are shown. The deadline for submission of abstracts will be 1 March 1995. The final program, abstract submission form, and registration form will be included with the third circular, which will be mailed in January 1995. However, I would encourage you to look carefully over the list of topic sessions here and start thinking about your abstract or poster presentation. The chairpersons of each topic session will select minisymposium speakers from the submitted abstracts. All abstracts will be published in a special issue of the *Glycoconjugate Journal*.

GLYCO XIII will focus on functional roles of glycoconjugates, in addition to advances in biosynthesis, degradation, and the molecular-genetic basis of these processes. Glycobiology of plants, yeasts, molds, and bacteria will be covered in view of the remarkable progress in this area. In glycopathology sessions, in addition to covering the functional role of glycosylation in cancer progression, inflammatory, and infectious processes, we will focus on aberrant glycosylation correlated with autoimmune disorders, parasitosis, AIDS progression, and other diseases. Because of the rapid expansion of glycobiology and glycopathology, and the diversity of new research trends, GLYCO XIII will include a greater number of topic sessions (approximately 32) than ever before. Some may criticize this as 'topic inflation', but if so I willingly accept the blame. Looking forward to seeing you in Seattle next summer,

Sincerely,
Sen-itiroh Hakomori
Chairman

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### **Mini-Symposium Sessions**

Conformational structures of glycoconjugates Glycosylation affecting protein structure and function Glycomimetics that modify glycosylation

Carbohydrate-protein interactions

Dolichol-linked pathways

Plant glycobiology

Golgi enzyme targeting

New methods of glycoconjugate analysis

Carbohydrate-dependent cell adhesion I and II

Plant and animal lectins

Biology of proteoglycans

Glycosaminoglycan synthesis and molecular-genetic basis Glycobiology of yeasts, molds and bacteria

Glycosylation regulation through glycosyltransferase genes Synthesis and molecular-genetic basis of developmentally regulated carbohydrate epitopes

Functional role of O-linked glycans with mucin-type domains

Molecular-genetic basis of sphingolipidosis and other neuronal diseases

Sialic acid, sialidase, and polysialic acid

Synthesis and degradation of glycosphingolipids

Glycobiology of immunocytes and immune responses

Molecular genetics of histo-blood groups and diseases

Transmembrane signalling control by glycosphingolipids and sphingolipids I and II

Organization and trafficking of glycosphingolipids in membranes

Glycosphingolipid interactions and receptor function Gangliosides in neurobiology

Role of glycoconjugates in bacterial and viral infections Glycopathology of parasites

Glycosylation and cancer

Aberrant glycosylation causing or closely associated with disease processes (autoimmune, AIDS, etc.)

## Session Chairs and Organizers

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### Plenary Lecturers to Date

Jacques Baenziger Glycosylation affecting protein structure and function
Klaus Bock Glycopeptides as oligosaccharide scaffolds and mimetics

Kurt Drickamer Carbohydrate-protein interaction

Reid Gilmore Dolichol-linked pathways

Peter Albersheim Carbohydrates as plant cell elicitors
Graham Warren Mechanism of Golgi enzyme targeting

Max M. Burger Sponge cell recognition based on specific glycan-to-glycan interaction

Merton Bernfield Syndecan and related cell-surface proteoglycans

Nancy L. Shaper Transcriptional control of glycosyltransferase gene expression

Jamey Marth Transgenic approach for testing glycosylation function

Gerald W. Hart O-linked GlcNAc controlling nuclear and cytoplasmic function

Paul R. Crocker Sialoadhesin and its gene expression

Yasuo Inoue KDN glycans: Their occurrence, structure, biosynthesis, and possible function Konrad Sandhoff Synthesis and degradation of glycosphingolipids and function of metabolites Metabolic fate and functional implications of exogenous glycosphingolipids

Felix Wieland Organization and trafficking of glycosphingolipids in membranes

Karl-Anders Karlsson Cell surface glycoconjugates as attachment sites in the adhesion of microbes to animal tissues

Taroh Kinoshita Genetic defect in PI-glycan synthesis causes paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria

Victor Nussenzweig Liver proteoglycan homing receptors for malaria parasites

Ralph A. Reisfeld Anti-cancer therapy based on tumor-associated ganglioside antigens

Norman Radin Effects of ceramide analogs on sphingoglycolipid metabolism and cell growth

Yoshitaka Nagai Ganglioside as a signalling molecule in neural function

Allan M. Lefer Selectins, oligosaccharides and sphingolipid derivatives in reperfusion injury

Please note: the deadline for submission of abstracts is March 1, 1995.