

MINIREVIEW SERIES FOR THE 50TH VOLUME

Preface to minireviews

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In the forthcoming four issues of the commemorative 50th volume of this Journal, we are offering readers various minireviews through which you will be more acquainted with the history of School of Medicine, Keio University and the vast accomplishment made by its graduates.

The contents include:

1) Articles on the prominent alumni, living or late, whose distinguished contribution in his specialty influenced greatly to the development of his field. In this issue, Kenichi Takemasa, MD writes a paper on late Taiei Miura, MD, professor and chairman of the department of psychiatry, who built a bridge between Japan and French medical societies.

2) Introduction of history and the latest develop-

ment of the research activity of some of the major departments submitted by the current faculty members. In this particular issue, Akimichi Kaneko, MD, Department of Physiology, comments on the development of the studies on sensory transduction.

3) We have graduates who chose their place of activity not only here in Japan but overseas. In this issue, we would like to feature two of them and ask them to write about their achievements in their own field. The first two of this series are by Hiroaki Shizuya, MD and Issaku Ueda, MD Both of them have been actively involved in researches in the United States.

We sincerely hope these articles are of great interest to our readers.