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## INTRODUCTION

Craniofacial surgery is an experiment by man upon the experiment of nature. While the unaltered natural history of many craniofacial anomalies has been documented comprehensively, the effects of surgical intervention upon this natural history generally have been communicated in fragmented form. An international symposium on the "Long-term Follow-up of Craniofacial Surgery" was conceived, therefore, as part of the 43rd Anniversary Meeting of the American Cleft Palate Association held in New York City, New York. Charles R. Kremenak, D.D.S., Program Chairman for the entire New York meeting appointed Henry K. Kawamoto, D.D.S., M.D., and Jeffrey L. Marsh, M.D., as Cochairmen of the symposium. Invitations for participation were issued to investigators in Craniofacial Centers around the world. These investigators were instructed to select specific craniofacial anomalies and ages of treatment for which they had longitudinal quantitative data. Participants from 18 craniofacial centers, including seven from countries other than the USA, responded to the invitation. It was intended that this symposium would clarify the consequences of specific surgical procedures at set ages for various craniofacial diagnoses. Prompt communication of the material presented during the symposium was an additional goal of the planners. It was decided that publication as a supplement to *The Cleft Palate Journal* would fulfil this goal. A generous grant from the National Institute of Dental Research, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, has made this publication possible. The manuscripts from 12 of these presentations and the symposium's keynote address, presented by Professor Charles E. Oxnard, comprise this volume.

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