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History in Nephrology

True Legends never die – its legacy lives on.!

Takayasu Arteritis
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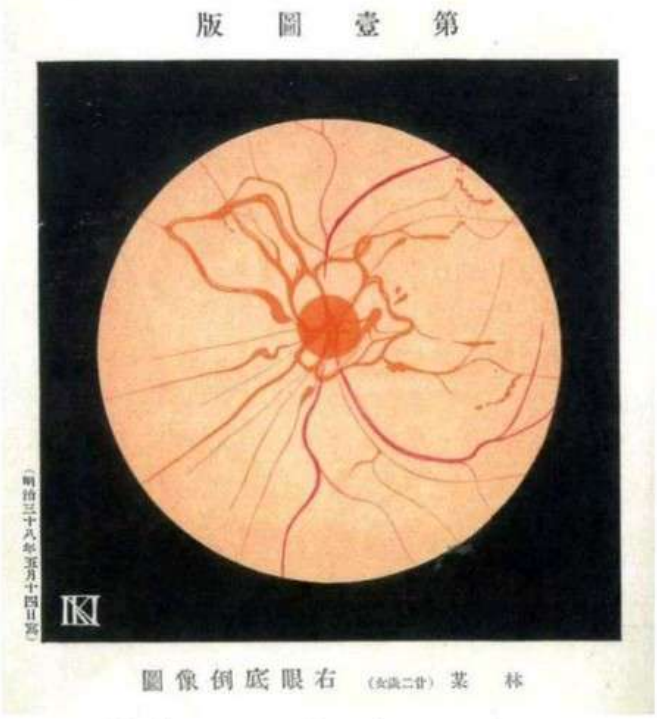
Was a Japanese Ophthalmologist

- **Described the characteristic retinal vascular changes of Takayasu arteritis in 1908**
- **Presented the case at the 12th Annual Meeting of the Japan Ophthalmological Society**



Takayasu Retinopathy

The principal finding is peculiar arteriovenous anastomosis around the optic disc

Appearance of the retinal vessels

Typical features include

- Unequal or absent peripheral pulses,
- Difference in blood pressure between arms,
- Arterial bruits,
- Limb claudication,
- Hypertension –often due to renal artery stenosis – and constitutional symptoms such as
    - Fever, fatigue and weight loss