

INTERNATIONAL CARBOHYDRATE SYMPOSIA—A HISTORY[☆]

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I. BEGINNINGS

The first meeting calling itself the International Symposium on Carbohydrate Chemistry was held in Birmingham, England, in 1962. It was organized by Maurice Stacey to commemorate the life and work of Sir Norman Haworth, and was held in the recently opened building named after Haworth. It brought together most of the people who were then extending the frontiers of carbohydrate chemistry; there were 280 participants, more than half of them from the

[☆] Dedicated to Roy L. Whistler who has done more than any other person to promote and organize the International Carbohydrate Symposia.