RCNP OSAKA International Conference on
Quark Lepton Nuclear Physics (QULEN97)

The International Conference on Quark Lepton Nuclear Physics (QULEN97), with the subtitle of Non-Perturbative QCD Hadron Physics & Electroweak Nuclear Processes, was held in Osaka Japan from 20th to 23rd of May, 1997.

This conference has been organized as a series of the recent interesting Conferences on Physics with GeV-Particle Beams held at Juelich, Germany in 1994, on Particle Production near Threshold at Uppsala, Sweden in 1992, and that at Nashville, Indiana USA in 1990.

The Conference was focused on hadronic QCD physics as well as on the electroweak nuclear processes. The Conference thereupon put emphasis on current interesting works of "quark sectors" of nuclear physics such as hadron structures, their interactions and nonperturbative QCD as well as on recent important works of "lepton sectors" of nuclear physics such as neutrinos and weak interactions in nuclei.

The topics covered in the Conference were quark confinement and chiral symmetry breaking, nonperturbative QCD and hadron/nuclear structures, flavor nuclear physics, conservation laws and symmetry problems in nuclei, neutrino nuclear physics and weak interactions in nuclei, electromagnetic probes for hadronic nuclear systems, physics with GeV/c particle beams, and the related topics.

About 200 scientists, which comprised many young physicists, from 16 different countries participated in the Conference. About 35 invited talks and 50 oral contributions were presented in the Conference as well as about 30 poster contributions. The Conference Proceedings has been published in Nucl.Phys.A629(1998), Elsevier Science Pub.Ltd.

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