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Abstract : IN 1926 the late Dr Stockard organized, with the financial assistar

Rockefeller Foundation, an experimental dog farm. The aim was to submit to test in a mammal offering an unparalleled array of types, his well known view (*physical basis of personality*, 1931) on the relations between endocrines and constitution." The present book gives some of the results obtained by Dr Stockard and his collaborators up to about 1939. As explained in the foreword, the manuscript was complete at the time of Dr Stockard's death and was subsequently prepared by a Committee for publication with as little modification as possible. This accounts for the incompleteness of certain parts. Especially regrettable is the absence of a critical discussion: no doubt, together with the stimulating "Introduction" (Stockard's) a discussion would have disposed of the criticism, which can hardly be withheld from a monograph which is cumbersome.

In brief, the main problem was to see whether, granted a genetical basis for form and function between breeds, the effect is *via* the endocrine system, or by a localized action, or by a combination of both mechanisms. The breeds selected for testing these points were those presenting the most contrasted endocrine systems as the most contrasted localized and/or generalized morphological types.

Section II (Stockard) describes the investigation of limb achondroplasia in crested Hound, Dachshund, and Pekingese with German Shepherd, Saluki, Brussels Griffon, English Bulldog, French Bulldog, and Boston Terrier. Achondroplasia of the limb was found to be due to a single gene with effect in the hétérozygote very like that of the homozygote achondroplastic, but variable in severity according to the type of breed in which it happens to act. The same gene is responsible in all the above achondroplastic breeds. Some general inferences about the homology of this gene in all mammals, which no doubt, be open to criticism in the light of modern views about homology of genes and homology of locus.

Section III (Stockard and Johnson), which deals with skull variation, is so ample and so difficult to summarise adequately, beyond saying that the number of skull features capable of being independently or jointly affected by hereditary factors is very large, that a lot of interaction between general (presumably endocrine) and localized effects is shown. A skilful statistical handling of the data would probably have yielded more information from the innumerable graphs. Interesting features of this section are the observations on several exaggeration effects in the hybrids: *e.g.* the excessive skin area of the hybrids of recombinants with the English Bulldog.

Section IV (Stockard) is an investigation of screw tail as it appears in the English Bulldog. Two recessive genes are involved, one determining the shortness of the tail and the other the bend.

Section V (Stockard and Vicari) deals with the histology of the pituitary, thyroid, and parathyroid in relation to the body types of the different breeds. Breed differences in the histology are conspicuous, and some interesting correlations seem to exist

type and endocrine histology.

Sections VI and VII (James and Anderson, respectively) deal with the relationship between form and behaviour, and between endocrine activity and behaviour, the animals are classified by means of conditioned reflexes. The breeds were found to differ and hybrids showed a certain amount of hereditary determination of behaviour. The statistical and genetical treatment of the results, however, is such that the reviewer is unable to express any opinion upon the rather far-reaching conclusions of Section VI.

On the whole, the present monograph contains a tremendous amount of excellent and useful, though rather raw, material for everyone who is interested in problems of mammalian genetics. G. PONTECORVO.

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