

PREFACE

The Japan-France Seminar on Solar Physics, jointly sponsored by Japan Society for the Promotion of Sciences and Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, was held in Tokyo from 15 to 18 October 1980. The organizing committee responsible for the program consisted of

Drs. J. C. Pecker, J. C. Henoux, M. Semel, W. Unno and F. Moriyama. About 50 scientists in both countries gathered to exchange recent information on the subject of the active sun, and to discuss conflict findings and divergent interpretations. Also attended by solar physicists from neighboring countries the meeting was successful, and more than 50 contributions (including 15 review articles) which are compiled in this proceedings were presented.

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