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Historical or Biographical Note

Karl Mason (1900-1978) was an investigator and teacher in nutrition. He was a leader in the study of the metabolic role of vitamin E. Other research interests included vitamin deficiencies and reproduction, histopathology of nutrition deficiencies, leprosy, and muscular dystrophy.

He received his Ph.D. in Zoology and Anatomy from Yale in 1925. He then worked as an Instructor to the Assistant Professor of Anatomy at the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine from 1926-1940. He also was an Honorary Research Associate in Biochemistry at the University College in London, England in 1939. He served as Professor and Chair of the Department of Anatomy at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry from 1940-1965. Then he was the Nutrition Program Director of the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism and Digestive Diseases from 1965-1975. He also served as an Associate Editor of the American Journal of Anatomy from 1946-1961. He was President of the American Association of Anatomists (1967-1968) and a Fellow at the American Institute of Nutrition.

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  Cunningham, R. S., (Robert Sydney), 1891-1963
  Kampmeier, Rudolph H., (Rudolph Herman), 1898-1990
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