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Sufukuji Temple is said to have been constructed by Emperor Tenji in 668. From the results of excavations conducted in 1928 and 1938-1939, it was discovered that there were temple ruins located in the north, south, and central ridges of a mountain located west of the former Otsu Imperial Palace. In the mountain's central ridge, there are thought to have been two main buildings, which consisted of a main sanctuary located on the west side, and a padoga tower located on the east side. A recognized national treasure, a shari container containing cremated bones from a Buddhist ritual, was also found at the base of the pagoda tower.