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5TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON
CIRCUMPOLAR HEALTH, COPENHAGEN,
9-13 AUGUST 1981

The symposium is organised by the Nordic Council for Arctic Medical Research and is sponsored by the WHO Regional Office for Europe. Invited lectures and free communications will deal with sociocultural forces affecting arctic populations, anthropology, genetics, and epidemiology of ethnic subgroups, delivery of health care in sparsely populated areas, arctic emergencies, telecommunications and transportation, pollution and environmental hazards in the Arctic, maritime medicine in arctic and subarctic regions, nutrition, dental health, biological rhythms, and cold physiology. Further details from Dr J P Hart Hansen, Department of Pathology, Gentofte Hospital, DK-2900 Copenhagen, Hellerup, Denmark.

A course entitled GENETICS IN CLINICAL ONCOLOGY will be offered on 22 and 23 September in New York

City by the Laboratory of Genetics, Department of Pathology, Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases. The objective of the course is to provide current knowledge of genetics as it pertains to clinical oncology in such a manner that it will take on practical value. Topics to be covered will include: (1) role of chromosome changes in leukaemia and solid tumours; (2) role of heredity in predisposing a person or family to cancer; (3) current theory concerning the aetiology and nature of cancer; and (4) practical matters such as genetic counselling for the cancer patient or family and indications for genetic and cytogenetic work-up.

The course has been approved for 15 credit hours in Category I of the Physicians Recognition Award of the American Medical Association. The fee for the course, including registration, is \$200. Co-directors: Drs R S K Chaganti and James L German III. For more information, write to Dr R S K Chaganti, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Avenue, New York, NY 10021, USA (212/794-7100).