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## **EDITORIAL**

In order to stimulate research in the various fields of oncology and radiation therapy, Acta Radiologica Oncology over the years has published reports on both clinical and experimental investigations. Traditionally, the Journal has been especially focused on radiation therapy and its basic disciplines radiation biology and radiation physics, all sciences in which rapid technical, biologic and clinical developments have taken place during the past few decades. The Journal will continue to follow the progress in these fields.

Acta Radiologica Oncology has, however, always been a forum also for oncology in a broader sense, and has published many reports on clinical oncology, cancer chemotherapy, tumour pathology and even experimental oncology. This has been natural, not least due to the intimate integration between medical oncology and radiation oncology within the Nordic countries. Oncology is today a rapidly ex-

panding field with fascinating new discoveries concerning among other things basic biology and etiology, cancer chemotherapy and tumour markers.

Acta Radiologica Oncology will continue to be a forum for oncology and related fields within the Nordic countries and will, as before, include scientific reports also from other parts of the world. The Editors feel, however, that it is time to expand the policy of the Journal by regularly publishing review articles in fields of oncology which should interest a wide circle of readers. The intention is to critically review the literature, present the state of the art, discuss ongoing research and give impulses for investigation of unexplored territory.

The series of review articles begins in this number with Olav Dahl's article on 'Testicular carcinoma—a curable malignancy'.

The Editors