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Preface

This book has grown out of a number of discussions between clinicians and scientists in an attempt to define the place of cancer medicine in the undergraduate medical course. It is also a reflexion of a new attitude to the approach to cancer involving the integration, not only of the basic and clinical aspects of the subject, but also of the many clinical disciplines involved in cancer care. It is intended, therefore, as an introduction to the subject for medical students.

However, it is clear that many other professional groups including nurses, social workers and other ancillary workers, together with basic scientists, might welcome such a volume. For this reason some of the sections of the book have been adjusted to meet this need.

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