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The present volume contains 12 selected scientific papers among 63 individual contributions presented at the symposium. It is hoped that this Proceedings of the NIPR Symposium on Upper Atmosphere Physics will be valuable to those who are interested in the ionospheric and magnetospheric phenomena in the polar regions and also to those who are concerned with Antarctic research activities.

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