INTRODUCTION TO GUEST EDITORS

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I want to thank Dr. Chih-Hung Lin and Dr. Fu-Chan Wei for serving as guest editors for this issue of *Seminars in Plastic Surgery* on "Extremity-Saving Surgery and Reconstruction: From Microsurgery Reconstruction to Transplantation." We also appreciate the efforts made by each author on their respective articles and sharing with us their experience and knowledge.

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Early in his career, he became the chairman of the Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery department at Chang Gung Memorial Hospital from 1994 through 1999. At present, he is a professor of surgery and dean of the College of Medicine of Chang Gung University. Dr. Wei is executive vice superintendent of the hospital and the chairman of the research and development committee of the Chang Gung System.

He has had numerous international fellows and observers from around the world complete their training at his establishment while under his direction and supervision. He has been the president of several societies including the Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Association, the Hand Surgery Society of the Republic of China, the International Microsurgery Society, and the World Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery. Dr. Wei has edited countless books and has contributed innumerable book chapters and articles in the field of plastic surgery. His is truly one of the most recognized names in our field.

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