INTRODUCTION TO GUEST EDITORS

I want to thank Dr. Samir Mardini, Dr. Christopher J. Salgado, and Dr. Hung-Chi Chen for sharing the responsibility as guest editors for this Part I issue of *Seminars in Plastic Surgery* on “Advances in Head and Neck Reconstruction” and the invited authors for sharing their experience.

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Dr. Salgado practiced as an Assistant Professor of Surgery in the Department of Plastic Surgery at University Hospitals Cleveland/Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio from April 2008 to April 2010. He recently became a faculty member of the Division of Plastic Surgery at the University of Miami, Associate Professor of Clinical Surgery, Miller School of Medicine in Miami, Florida.

He has authored over 50 peer-reviewed articles, written multiple book chapters, and serves on the editorial board of a leading plastic surgery journal. His clinical and research interests are in postoncologic (cancer) reconstruction, genital and perineal functional and aesthetic surgery, aesthetic body contouring, limb salvage, lymph edema, and trauma reconstruction.

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From 1976 to 2004, Dr. Chen worked at Chang Gung Memorial Hospital where he performed a large number of reconstructive microsurgery cases, ranging from extremity to trunk and esophageal reconstruction. He has devoted 30 years of his career to reconstructive microsurgery. In Taiwan, Dr. Chen was appointed as Professor of Plastic Surgery by Chang Gung University as well as by the Ministry of Education in 1997. He was elected as President of the Society of Hand Surgery in 2000 and as President of Plastic Surgery in 2002.

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His major interest now is reconstruction of esophagus and voice, including clinical improvement (especially difficult cases) and research.

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