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DR. ALFRED A. BOVE LENDS EXPERTISE ON THE IMPACT OF EXERCISE ON CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE FOR THE *METHODIST DEBAKEY CARDIOVASCULAR JOURNAL*

The *Methodist DeBakey Cardiovascular Journal* editors extend their sincerest thanks to Alfred A. Bove, M.D., Ph.D., for serving as guest editor of this special issue on exercise, sports medicine, and cardiovascular disease. Dr. Bove is the former chief of cardiology at Temple University Medical Center and emeritus professor of medicine at Temple University Medical School, where he maintains a clinical practice of cardiology. He also is the fellowship training director and director of the Temple University Underwater Medicine program.

After receiving his medical degree and doctorate degree in physiology from Temple University Medical School, Dr. Bove completed his medical internship and residency at Temple Hospital and a post-doctoral fellowship at Temple and the Mayo Clinic. He then served 2 active-duty years in the U.S. Navy as an Undersea Medical Officer before returning in 1973 to join the cardiology staff at Temple. In 1981, he joined the cardiology staff at the Mayo Clinic but returned to Temple 5 years later to be the section chief in cardiology. He continued as a Naval Reserve officer, including active duty in Operation Desert Storm, and retired from the Navy in 1998 after 33 years of service.

Dr. Bove has published more than 300 original research papers and authored texts on coronary disease, exercise medicine, and diving medicine and has conducted research in basic cardiac physiology, exercise physiology, environmental medicine, computer information systems, and population-based management of heart failure and cardiovascular risk factors using an Internet communication system. An expert in web site design and medical database development, Dr. Bove served as editor-in-chief of the American College of Cardiology (ACC) educational web site (www.cardiosource.com) and is present editor-in-chief of ACCEL, the ACC audio journal, and the news magazine *Cardiosource World News*.

Dr. Bove is a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, a master of the American College of Cardiology, where he served as president in 2009, and recently completed his tenure as a member of the ACC Board of Trustees. He is a fellow of the American College of Physicians, the American Heart Association, and the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society.