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REARDON AND LITTLE APPOINTED ASSOCIATE EDITORS OF THE *METHODIST DEBAKEY CARDIOVASCULAR JOURNAL*

The *Methodist DeBakey Cardiovascular Journal* is pleased to welcome Michael J. Reardon, M.D., and Stephen Little, M.D., to their new roles as associate editors. Dr. Reardon, a current member of the journal's editorial board, assumes the newly created position of associate editor for surgery; while Dr. Little takes on the role of associate editor for medicine, another newly created position.

Dr. Reardon has been an integral part of The Methodist Hospital surgical team since 1985, serving in numerous positions such as director of the Cardiovascular Intensive Care Unit and, most recently, chief of the Division of Cardiac Surgery. Having published more than 300 articles and abstracts, Dr. Reardon is involved in several ongoing research studies and conducts peer reviews for a number of publications such as the *Annals of Thoracic Surgery and Circulation*.

Dr. Little is a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology with board certification in cardiovascular disease and echocardiography. He is medical director of The Valve Clinic, a multidisciplinary clinic focused on the assessment and treatment of complex valvular heart disease. He was recently appointed director of the Heart Valve Institute at the Methodist DeBakey Heart & Vascular Center and also appointed the associate editor of Diagnostic Imaging for Cardiosource, the web portal for the American College of Cardiology (ACC). He is an active member of the American Society of Echocardiography, the American Heart Association, and ACC. He has been honored with teaching and research awards and is an active speaker at national and international cardiology meetings.



W.J. Franklin, M.D.

GUEST EDITOR ADDS HEART TO THIS ISSUE OF THE *METHODIST DEBAKEY CARDIOVASCULAR JOURNAL*

The editors of the *Methodist DeBakey Cardiovascular Journal* extend a heart-felt "thank you" to Wayne J. Franklin, M.D., who served as guest editor of this issue and played a key role in planning editorial content and facilitating the peer review process. Dr. Franklin is the medical director and founder of the Texas Adult Congenital Heart Program, a collaborative effort with Baylor College of Medicine, where he is an assistant professor of medicine and pediatrics, Texas Children's Hospital, and the Texas Heart Institute at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital. An authority on the topic of adult congenital heart disease, Dr. Franklin conducts research and publishes

extensively on managing congenital heart disease from pediatrics into adulthood, with specific interest in single-ventricle/Fontan physiology, cardiac biomarkers, tetralogy of Fallot, and heart disease in pregnancy. Dr. Franklin graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles School of Medicine, did a combined residency in internal medicine and pediatrics at Duke University Medical Center, and completed a five-year combined fellowship in adult cardiovascular medicine and pediatric cardiology at Baylor College of Medicine, St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital/Texas Heart Institute, and Texas Children's Hospital.