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EXPERTISE TO FOLLOW-UP  
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The editors of the *Methodist DeBakey Cardiovascular Journal* extend a warm thanks to Mark G. Davies, M.D., Ph.D., M.B.A., for serving as guest editor of this follow-up issue on advances in limb salvage. Dr. Davies is a professor of surgery at Weill Cornell Medical College, vice chairman in the Department of Cardiovascular Surgery at The Methodist Hospital, a senior member of The Methodist Hospital Research Institute, and program director for the hospital's vascular surgery fellowship and residency. He also serves as the physician lead for supply chain value analysis and is associate quality officer for procedural services within The Methodist Hospital System.

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