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This team is carrying on the tradition of distinguished editorial direction for this YEAR BOOK, commencing with the 1987 edition. We congratulate them and extend our appreciation for their superb work with the YEAR BOOK.

Introduction

With this 1987 edition, the “torch has been passed” from a generation of YEAR BOOK stewardship marked by intelligence, insightful wit, and unqualified success to the next, from the hands of its two diligent and esteemed editors who assumed annually for more years than they care to count the formidable task of reviewing with care and erudition a rapidly expanding repository of endocrine-related literature. Ted Schwartz was a broadly trained endocrinologist at this YEAR BOOK’s inception in 1964, as was Will Ryan when he joined Ted in this task in 1972. In the course of discharging their editorial responsibilities, they became subspecialists within this specialty, and became educated in the process of educating the YEAR BOOK readership.

As in the rest of medicine and in the world around us, super-specialization is a reality. Hence, with this changing editorship is the recognition and acceptance of the fact that Iron Men of the likes of Schwartz and Ryan are long past the point of being even an endangered species. In their place is a team of experts, each with highly developed skills in his particular subspecialty, and well qualified to select and comment on the contents of this volume. I am pleased to include among this distinguished group one of the two Iron Men, my colleague Dr. Will Ryan, who, compared with the extent of his earlier efforts, can only be considered to be assigned “light duty,” in which he will continue to contribute expertise on calcium-regulating hormones and bone.

With this marked structural change will come a new personality reflecting the diversity of its editors. What will not change is the commitment to excellence that has characterized the Schwartz and Ryan years. We want our efforts to serve the growing, and perhaps changing, needs of what we hope will be an expanding readership. The editors want to know how we can better serve and inform you. Let the bearers of the “passed torch” know if we’re on, or off, the mark.

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