## **Editorial Note**

This topical issue on intravascular stents consists of nine papers under the Guest Editorship of Julio C. Palmaz, M.D., and Eugene A. Sprague, Ph.D., of the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Texas. From time to time, we publish such special issues dealing with timely topics, many of which are suggested by members of our Editorial Advisory Board and others.

The use of intravascular stents is currently so widespread that we are planning to publish a sequel to this issue in the not-too-distant future. We are indebted to all the authors in this topical issue for their excellent contributions and wish to thank the Guest Editors for their dedicated efforts.

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