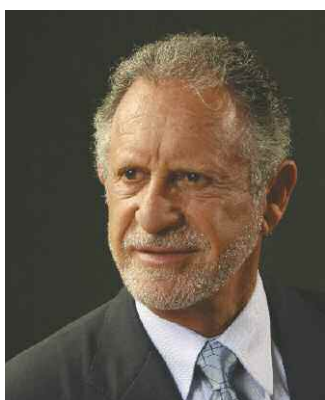


Publisher's Note

A Fond Farewell and a Warm Welcome

At year's end 2009, Wulf H. Utian, MD, PhD, DSc(Med), NCMP, retired as the Executive Director and Honorary Founding President of The North American Menopause Society (NAMS) and stepped down as founding Editor-in-Chief of *Menopause Management*. Avid readers of Dr. Utian's editorials over the past 20 years know that he is one of the world's most significant authorities on menopause and women's health. During his career, Dr.



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Utian has achieved national and international recognition for his work, having been the recipient of numerous honors and awards. He is interviewed regularly by the world's leading media. Importantly, he has personally inspired many health-care professionals and researchers to focus their work on meno-

pause, not only improving the health of women around menopause and beyond, but also expanding the research that informs such practice. As has been evident in *Menopause Management*, Dr. Utian is passionate about

translating research findings into best medical practices.

On a personal note, I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to work closely with Dr. Utian over the past 9 years. Beyond his significant contributions to the scientific community, he is a wonderful man who is committed to his family, friends and peers.



Stepping into his shoes as both the Executive Director of NAMS and the Editor-in-Chief of *Menopause Management* is Margery L.S. Gass, MD, NCMP. Dr. Gass was most recently Professor of Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine in Cincinnati, OH, where she was also Director of the University Hospital Menopause and Osteoporosis Center. She



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has been an investigator on more than a dozen research projects, including serving as a principal investigator for the Women's Health Initiative. Dr. Gass has published and presented on a wide range of menopause-related topics and coedited a book on managing perimenopause. Dr. Gass has participated in many NAMS committees and educational initiatives over the years, including two terms as a member of the Board of Trustees and as the President in 2002.

Please join me and the staff of *Menopause Management* in wishing Dr. Utian a fond farewell, and in extending a warm welcome to Dr. Gass.

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