## **PREFACE**

Dysarthric talkers richly reward the clinicians who treat them and the researchers who study them. For clinical researchers, the return is bountiful indeed. This issue of *Seminars in Speech and Language* was prepared by a group of clinical researchers. Part of the content is traditional and predictable, because dysarthric people had been extensively studied and treated prior to this issue's publication. Part of the content is not traditional and probably a bit surprising, because the authors want to repay the dysarthric people who have been their teachers. What better way to reduce the debt than to help inform, excite, and, perhaps, influence not only one's professional colleagues but also a new generation of clinical researchers?

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