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On September 15, 2007 the world of science and medicine lost a well-known personality and I lost a friend, teacher and colleague. Dr. Branislav "Brano" Radevancevic passed away peacefully at home in Houston, Texas. He was born on March 16, 1952 in Osijek, Croatia. He studied medicine in Belgrade, Serbia, and received his medical degree in 1978. In 1984 he became a research fellow in the Department of Cardiopulmonary Transplantation at the Texas Heart Institute, where he remained to continue his career. He became Associate Director of Cardiovascular Surgical and Transplant Research, and in 2005, Director of the Center for Cardiac Support. He was a real expert in immunosuppression and mechanical cardiac assist device therapy. He wrote or contributed to nearly 300 publica-

tions and he frequently gave scientific presentations at conferences worldwide. Brano was highly respected by his colleagues around the world. He never forgot his roots in Europe, religiously maintaining friendships and connections. Since my first meeting with Brano in 1992, I grew to respect him as teacher and friend. He always, shared his enormous knowledge and experience in transplantation medicine with me and all other colleagues. After my research fellowship at the Texas Heart Institute, he kept in touch, as he did with dozens of colleagues worldwide. He will, I am sure, never be forgotten.

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