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Although the pandemic has put a temporary pause on meeting in person and sharing state-of-the-art knowledge together, we hope you find this special edition as the next best thing. We have been fortunate to work with a group of talented physicians whose collegiality and professionalism speak loudly to the bright future of head and neck endocrine surgery. We hope you enjoy!

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