

SOUTHWESTERN NEWS

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PATIENTS WANTED FOR CLINICAL TRIALS AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS – May 21, 2001 – Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas are seeking patients to participate in medical studies. Following are three of the trials being conducted. Participants will be compensated according to the specifics of each study. All trials are approved by the Institutional Review Board, which reviews them for benefits, risks, side effects and informed consent.

CRANBERRY JUICE

Investigators in the National Institutes of Health General Clinical Research Center at UT Southwestern are conducting a study that will examine the effect of cranberry juice intake on urinary-stone risk factors. The researchers are seeking people with and without a history of kidney stones to enroll in two six-day phases. For the last two days of each phase, participants will be required to stay overnight and be monitored at the GCRC. There will be a three-week break between the two phases. All participants will be expected to follow a specific diet (the food will be provided) and will be financially compensated. For more information, call 214-648-6856.

CORNEAL ULCER STUDY

The UT Southwestern Department of Ophthalmology is seeking people who have an eye infection known as bacterial keratitis (corneal ulcer). Participants will be asked to use either an investigational eye-drop solution containing levofloxacin or a Food and Drug Administration-approved medication containing ofloxacin for the treatment of bacterial keratitis. If you meet all enrollment requirements and decide to participate, you will make approximately four to seven clinic visits over a one- to three-week period, perhaps longer, depending on the time it takes your corneal ulcer to heal. Potential patients must be 18 or older and be in good health. For more information, please call 214-648-4734.

DRY-EYE STUDY

The UT Southwestern Department of Ophthalmology needs patients who have a history of dry-eye disease. Participants will be asked to use an investigational dry-eye ophthalmic drop four times daily and a secondary artificial tears eye-drop as needed. They also will be asked to complete weekly diaries and make all scheduled appointments. Study subjects must be 18 or older and have two of four symptoms: burning/painful eyes, itching eyes, sensitivity to light or foreign body sensation caused by dry eyes. For more information, please call 214-648-4734.

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