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UT SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL CENTER FACULTY MEMBER NAMED TO PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL ON BIOETHICS

DALLAS – Jan. 17, 2002 – President Bush has appointed Dr. Daniel Foster, chairman of internal medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, to the newly created President's Council on Bioethics.

The council is meeting today and Friday in Washington, D.C. Members will examine and advise the president on ethical, legal and scientific issues in biomedical technology and research. The first agenda includes discussion of human cloning.

Foster's research focuses on intermediary metabolism and diabetes, and has been instrumental in determining how the body regulates the metabolism of glucose versus fat. In 1984, he was awarded the Banting Medal for Scientific Achievement from the American Diabetes Association and the Joslin Medal from the Joslin Diabetes Center for his contributions to the understanding, treatment and prevention of diabetes. Foster is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. A 1955 graduate of Southwestern Medical School, he has been chairman of internal medicine at UT Southwestern since 1988.

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