## **IGWS** THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT DALLAS

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DALLAS--Steven P. Pakes, director of the Animal Resources Center at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas, is the new president of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine.

The college, which consists of about 205 diplomates, acts as a certifying body for professionals in laboratory animal science.

Dr. Pakes, also an associate professor of Comparative Medicine at the Health Science Center, said the group is concerned with the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of disease in animals used as subjects in biomedical activities--as well as the comparative relationship of various animals to man.

Scientists at the Health Science Center utilize nearly 15 species of animals in medical research. Many must be specially bred and kept scrupulously free of disease.

Dr. Pakes, who joined the Health Science Center a little more than a year ago, holds a DVM and a Ph.D. from Ohio State University.

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