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******Southwestern's Dr. Jean Wilson
assumes presidency of American
Society for Clinical Investiga-
tion.*

WASHINGTON--Dr. Jean Wilson, professor of internal medicine at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School at Dallas and former editor of the Journal of Clinical Investigation, today assumed the presidency of the American Society for Clinical Investigation. The society has been holding its annual meeting April 30-May 2 at the Sheraton-Park Hotel here.

Dr. Wilson succeeds Dr. John S. Fordtran, also a professor of internal medicine at the Dallas medical school, as president of the nation's most prestigious organization of clinical research scientists. This is the first time the society has had succeeding presidents from the same institution. Dr. Wilson is also the third president from Southwestern. The first was Dr. Donald W. Seldin, professor and chairman of internal medicine, who served in 1966.

Dr. Wilson occupies the Eugene McDermott Chair of Human Growth and Development at Southwestern, a component of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas. He has served as editor of the Journal of Clinical Investigation for the last five years.

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A recognized expert on glandular function, he received the Ernst Oppenheimer Memorial Award of the Endocrine Society in 1972 for meritorious accomplishment in endocrinology. He has published more than 70 scientific papers, many dealing with mechanisms of cholesterol absorption and sex steroid hormone action.

Dr. Wilson's interests are not strictly confined to research, however. He has been active in a number of clinical concerns: he established a diabetic foot clinic which produced a marked decrease in the amputation rate at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas.

An honor graduate in chemistry from The University of Texas at Austin, the native of Wellington, Texas, received his M.D. from Southwestern in 1955. Following his clinical training at Parkland, he spent two years at the National Heart Institute. He began teaching at Southwestern in 1960 and attained the rank of professor in 1968 at the age of 36. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine and has been an established investigator for the American Heart Association. He holds memberships in numerous scientific and academic societies and has served on the editorial boards of Journal of Lipid Research and Clinical Research as well as JCI.

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