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## DR. JENKINS HONORED BY MEDICAL BRANCH

Dr. M.T. Jenkins, professor and chairman of the Department of Anesthesiology at the UT Southwestern Medical School at Dallas, was honored at the 84th annual commencement exercises of the UT Medical Branch at Galveston Sunday evening, June 2, with the presentation of an Ashbel Smith Distinguished Alumni Award.

The award cites the recipient's "contributions and services to medicine and mankind, both of which he has served faithfully, selflessly and generously," said Dr. Truman G. Blocker Jr., UTMB president. Dr. Jenkins received his M.D. degree from UTMB in 1940.

Receiving the Ashbel Smith bronze medallion along with Dr. Jenkins were Dr. Julia M. Baker, pediatrician and allergist in Mexico City, and Dr. Nicholas Carr Hightower Jr., director, Division of Research and Education, Scott & White Memorial Hospital, Temple, Texas.

The award is named in honor of one of the outstanding physicians of early Texas, and president of The University of Texas' first Board of Regents. The Ashbel Smith medallion, which was presented during the ceremonies, is struck in bronze with a portrait of Dr. Smith on the front and the seal of the medical branch and the name of the recipient on the reverse side.

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Dr. Jenkins is, in addition to his appointment with UT Southwestern Medical School, chief of anesthesiology at Parkland Memorial Hospital, the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children, the Children's Medical Center and the Dallas Veterans Administration Hospital.

He also serves as consultant in anesthesiology at Baylor University Medical Center, Presbyterian Hospital, Methodist Hospital and St. Paul Hospital, all in Dallas, and Lackland Air Force Base Hospital in San Antonio.

During his career, Dr. Jenkins has developed one of the major residency and research training programs in the United States in anesthesia.

He is the first Margaret Milam McDermott professor of anesthesiology at Southwestern, the author of three textbooks and more than 40 articles on his specialty.

Dr. Jenkins is the immediate past president of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, and is the anesthesiology delegate to the American Medical Association House of Delegates.

He is, in addition, a member of the Australian Society of Anesthetists and Corresponding Fellow of the Association of Anesthetists of Great Britain and Ireland. In 1968 he was elected to Fellowship of the Faculty of Anesthetists of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Since the Ashbel Smith Distinguished Alumni awards were first given in 1965, 33 physicans have been recipients.