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\*\*\*\* AIDS researcher joins  
UT Southwestern faculty

DALLAS -- Dr. Richard B. Gaynor, formerly of the UCLA School of Medicine, has joined the Departments of Internal Medicine and Microbiology at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. One of a number of biomedical scientists recently appointed to help UT Southwestern build its AIDS and cancer programs, he will hold the Andrea L. Simmons Distinguished Chair in Cancer Virology.

"Dr. Gaynor was identified as one of the top investigators in the field of AIDS research and was clearly the best choice to lead UT Southwestern's new AIDS Research Unit, funded by special appropriation from the Texas legislature," said Dr. William Neaves, dean of Southwestern Medical School. "Both UT Southwestern and the people of Texas are fortunate to have Dr. Gaynor in this important role."

Gaynor brings his expertise in retroviruses--the type of virus that causes AIDS and the first group of viruses shown to cause cancer in humans--to the AIDS and cancer research programs at UT Southwestern.

"UT Southwestern is committed to breaking new ground both in AIDS research and treatment and in cancer during this decade, and I want to contribute to that effort and to our understanding of these diseases," said Gaynor.

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For Gaynor, moving to Dallas will be a homecoming. A graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in biology, he received his medical degree in 1975 from Southwestern Medical School and served both his internship and residency at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas.

In 1978 he joined the Department of Medicine at the UCLA School of Medicine as a fellow in the Division of Hematology/Oncology. In 1981 he was appointed as a UCLA faculty member.

Gaynor is a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine and of that board's subspecialties of hematology and medical oncology. He belongs to the American Society of Clinical Investigators, the American College of Physicians, the American Society of Microbiology, the American Society of Hematology and the American Society of Clinical Oncology. He also won the Dwyer Award for outstanding cancer research at UCLA.

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NOTE: The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas comprises Southwestern Medical School, Southwestern Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and Southwestern Allied Health Sciences School.