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## CAIN FOUNDATION GIVES \$1.5 MILLION TO UT SOUTHWESTERN'S FUND FOR MOLECULAR RESEARCH

DALLAS--The Cain Foundation has awarded \$1.5 million to The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. The gift will go to UT Southwestern's Fund for Molecular Research.

"The Cain Foundation has a long history of support for research and education. We at UT Southwestern are fortunate to have benefited from their generosity in the past and are grateful to receive this additional gift," said Dr. Kern Wildenthal, UT Southwestern president.

"The Foundation is pleased to be able to help promote and accelerate molecular research at UT Southwestern," said Frank Denius, executive vice president of the Cain Foundation. "We have made several medical grants for research and believe this is one way we can help perpetuate programs that will benefit innumerable people in the future. Further, we are most appreciative of other donors' generosity in making funds available to match our grant."

The Fund for Molecular Research is an effort to raise private-donor funding for research at UT Southwestern. Target research areas include molecular genetics, cancer, neuroscience and developmental biology. UT Southwestern researchers are exploring these areas and their applications to major medical problems.

This is the second major gift from the Cain Foundation to UT Southwestern. In 1990 the foundation endowed the Effie and Wofford Cain Distinguished Chair in Diagnostic Imaging.

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The Cain Foundation has supported Texas educational institutions, public charities, civic organizations and medical research programs since 1952. It has made major contributions to the city of Athens, Texas, The University of Texas at Austin, Texas A&M University and Baylor College of Medicine, in addition to UT Southwestern.

Wofford Cain was one of the organizers of Southern Union Co., along with Clint Murchison Sr. He also helped develop Delhi Oil Corp., Aztec Oil and Gas Co. and Supron Energy Corp., among others. He was chairman of the Southern Union Board of Directors for 30 years.

He served on the Texas A&M Board of Directors and the school's development foundation and received the A&M Distinguished Alumni Award in 1964. He was active in the Hella Temple Shrine, the American Gas Association, the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, the Athens Chamber of Commerce, the American Petroleum Institute, the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association, the Dallas Petroleum Club and the Koon Kreek Klub near Athens, Texas. He was a member of University Park United Methodist Church. He died in 1977.

Effie Marie Cain is a Dallas resident, a member of University Park United Methodist Church, Brook Hollow Golf Club, Athens Country Club and the Koon Kreek Klub, where she has a second home.

In addition to creating the Foundation, Mr. and Mrs. Cain have made many substantial personal contributions to Texas A&M, the Dallas Museum of Art, the Girls Club of Dallas and other charitable organizations.

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