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UT Southwestern faculty receive honors

DALLAS – April 28, 2010 – Faculty members from UT Southwestern Medical Center recently were recognized for achievements in their fields.

Dr. Robert Bucholz, professor of orthopaedic surgery at UT Southwestern Medical Center, was recently named co-winner of a CLIO silver medal, which recognizes excellence in strategic communication and public relations in health care. Dr. Bucholz, 2004-05 president of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS), co-conceived and co-directed the academy's 75th anniversary history project, which included a scholarly history textbook, a coffee table book, a video, a permanent exhibit and other educational materials detailing the history of the orthopaedic specialty in general and the AAOS specifically. The project can be viewed at www.aaos75th.org/index.cfm. The CLIO Healthcare Awards are an extension of the CLIO Awards, one of the world's most recognized awards competitions for advertising, design and interactive media.

Dr. David Russell, professor of molecular genetics at UT Southwestern Medical Center, has received the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology's 2010 Avanti Award in Lipids. The Avanti Award recognizes outstanding research contributions in the area of lipids. Dr. Russell's research focuses on the metabolic breakdown of cholesterol into other components such as sterol hormones, vitamins and bile acids. The Avanti Award in Lipids consists of a plaque, a cash prize and the opportunity to present a lecture at the annual meeting of the ASBMB. Dr. Russell, a member of the National Academy of Sciences, holds the Eugene McDermott Distinguished Chair in Molecular Genetics at UT Southwestern.

Dr. Monica Ramirez Basco, a clinical associate professor of psychiatry at UT Southwestern Medical Center, is co-author of *Cognitive-Behavior Therapy for Severe Mental Illness*, which received first prize in the mental health category of the 2009 British Medical Association book competition. The book, published by American Psychiatric Publishing Inc., is a practical, "how-to" guide for using cognitive-behavior therapy to relieve symptoms of some of the most common and difficult to treat psychiatric conditions. Dr. Basco is a founding fellow of the Academy of Cognitive Therapy and has trained mental health professionals throughout Europe and the Western Hemisphere for the past 20 years in cognitive behavioral treatment methods.

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