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****New research chair at UT Southwestern
honors philanthropist Cecil H. Greene

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DALLAS--On his 90th birthday Monday, Dallas philanthropist Cecil H. Green received a gift as unique as it is appropriate. At a dinner given by The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, Mr. Green learned that a new chair in biomedical research has been endowed at UT Southwestern in honor of him and his late wife, Ida.

The new chair, to be known as the Cecil H. and Ida M. Green Chair in Biomedical Science, will be held by Dr. Ronald Estabrook, a professor of biochemistry and internationally recognized researcher at UT Southwestern.

Mr. Green, one of the four founders of Texas Instruments Inc., and his wife Ida, who died in 1986, donated more than \$150 million to education and medicine in recent years. UT Southwestern has been one of the recipients of their generosity. In the 1970s the Greens established the Cecil H. and Ida Green Center for Reproductive Biology Sciences, including an endowed chair in that field. They also funded major parts of UT Southwestern's Cecil H. and Ida Green Science building, constructed in 1975, and the Cecil H. and Ida Green

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Biomedical Research Building, built in 1984.

The Green Buildings house UT Southwestern's Departments of Biophysics, Bioengineering, Cell Biology, Microbiology and Physiology, and a number of major research centers and programs, including the Center for Human Nutrition, the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, the Eugene McDermott Center for Human Growth and Development and the Harry S. Moss Heart Center, as well as the Green Center for Reproductive Biology Sciences.

In addition to their many gifts to UT Southwestern, Mr. and Mrs. Green's philanthropic activities have extended to dozens of other educational, research and medical institutions in Dallas and around the world. Major gifts from the Greens have been received by The University of Texas at Dallas, St. Mark's School, Lamplighter School, The Episcopal School of Dallas, Southern Methodist University, Texas Christian University, Zale Lipshy University Hospital, Children's Medical Center at Dallas, The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Stanford University, Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation of La Jolla, University of California at San Diego, University of Sydney in Australia, University of British Columbia in Canada and Green College of Oxford University, among others.

Dr. Estabrook, who will hold the new Green chair, has been dean of UT Southwestern's Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and chairman of the medical center's Department of Biochemistry. In 1979 he became the first UT Southwestern faculty member to be elected to the prestigious National Academy of Sciences.

In 1982 Dr. Estabrook resigned the chairmanship of his department

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to return to full-time research. His work focuses on the properties of enzymes known as cytochrome P-450s, found in different types of cells.

The announcement of the new chair endowed in his honor came as a surprise to Mr. Green. The announcement was made at a birthday dinner in the A.W. Harris Faculty Club at UT Southwestern, hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Kern Wildenthal and Dr. and Mrs. Paul MacDonald.

Dr. Wildenthal is president of UT Southwestern. Dr. MacDonald holds the Green chair in reproductive biology and is director of the Green Center in Reproductive Biology Sciences there.

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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.