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PATIENTS WANTED FOR CLINICAL TRIALS AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS – November 18, 1998 – Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas are seeking patients to participate in medical studies. Following are three of the trials being conducted. Participants will be compensated according to the specifics of each study. All trials are approved by the Institutional Review Board, which reviews them for benefits, risks, side effects and informed consent.

ASTHMA

Participants are needed for a 24-week study of new asthma medications. Participants must be non-smokers over the age of 15, have asthma requiring daily inhaler use, and not be using inhaled steroids. Volunteers will be evaluated and treated by experienced allergy physicians at no cost and will be reimbursed for their time. Call (214) 648-5659.

HORMONE-REPLACEMENT

Post-menopausal women who still have their uteruses are needed for a one- to two-year study of new hormonal therapies. Women not on hormone-replacement therapy must not have had a menstrual period for at least six months. For more information, call (214) 648-7138.

HIGH CHOLESTEROL

Patients are needed for a seven-month study comparing three standard medicines to lower cholesterol: Pravastatin, Simvastatin and Atorvastatin. Patients must have cholesterol of 240 milligrams per deciliter (mg/dl) or more and triglycerides of more than 200 mg/dl and less than 500 mg/dl. Volunteers will receive \$25 for screening and \$200 for completion, as well as free medicines and lab work. Patients will be seen Tuesday mornings in Parkland Memorial Hospital. Call Shivani Sookoo, beeper (214) 822-5195 or Dr. Ishwarlal Jialal at (214) 648-9182.

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