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FOUR UT SOUTHWESTERN FACULTY RECEIVE HONORS

DALLAS — March 20, 1997 — Four faculty members from UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas were recognized recently for outstanding achievement in their fields.

James Atkins, M.D., professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern, received the Emergency Medical Services Hall of Fame Award from the Texas Department of Health. Atkins was instrumental in establishing the Dallas Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system in the early 1970s. It was one of the first EMS systems in the state and has been awarded national honors and used as an example for systems nationwide.

Michael Biavati, M.D., assistant professor of otorhinolaryngology at UT Southwestern, was one of 1,661 physicians from around the world initiated into fellowship of the American College of Surgeons at its annual clinical congress. For acceptance into the college, Biavati had to complete advanced training in his surgical specialty and demonstrate ethical fitness and professional proficiency. He specializes in children's problems of the ear, nose and throat.

Craig Crandall, Ph.D., an assistant professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern, has been awarded a fellowship from the Swedish Medical Research Council. The scientific exchange program, administered by the Fogarty International Center, recruits outstanding U.S. scholars to conduct research in nine foreign countries.

Crandall will visit the laboratory of Gunnar Wallin, M.D., at the Swedish Medical Research Council through July. He will perform studies on the neural control of skin blood flow in humans by thermal and nonthermal factors.

M.C. Culbertson Jr., M.D., a clinical professor of otorhinolaryngology at UT Southwestern, has been honored by the Society for Ear, Nose and Throat Advances in Children for his outstanding lifetime contributions to teaching and service in the field. Culbertson is only the second person in 25 years to receive the society's Sylvan E. Stool Award.

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