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Drs. Ann and Willis Maddrey pledge \$100,000 to UT Southwestern to support liver disease research

DALLAS – Nov. 2, 2004 – An internationally respected authority on liver disease and his psychologist wife have committed \$100,000 to establish a professorship in liver disease research at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, where they both serve on the faculty.

Dr. Willis C. Maddrey, executive vice president for clinical affairs, and his wife, Dr. Ann Matt Maddrey, associate professor of psychiatry, will establish the Willis C. Maddrey, M.D., Professorship in Liver Disease. The gift is part of the medical center's \$500 million *Innovations in Medicine* fund-raising campaign.

"I have spent my medical career as a hepatologist and have been fortunate enough to witness and be a part of many major advances in the research and treatment of liver disease," said Dr. Willis Maddrey, professor of internal medicine. "I have great confidence in UT Southwestern and want to do whatever I can to ensure that it continues to occupy a position of leadership in research and clinical care. We are on the brink of many promising developments in the field of hepatology, so I felt it would be an ideal time to lend my support."

Dr. Maddrey, holder of the Adelyn and Edmund M. Hoffman Distinguished Chair in Medical Science and the Arnold N. and Carol S. Ablon Professorship in Biomedical Science, is a fellow of both the Royal College of Physicians of London and the American College of Physicians. He is a master of the American College of Physicians.

Dr. Ann Matt Maddrey is director of consult liaison psychiatry and behavioral medicine. She heads a psycho-educational support group for brain tumor patients and their families – an initiative established by a gift from the Gekiere Family – in the Annette G. Strauss Center in Neuro-Oncology at UT Southwestern.

"Willis Maddrey is one of our medical center's most eminent physicians, educators and leaders, so it is appropriate that his name will always be connected to research in his area of specialty," said Dr. Kern Wildenthal, president of UT Southwestern. "The Maddreys are valued members of the UT Southwestern community, and this is further evidence of their unfailing commitment to this institution."

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In 1964 Dr. Maddrey earned his medical degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, where he later served as professor of medicine and assistant dean of postdoctoral programs and faculty development. From 1982 to 1990 he served as chairman of medicine at Jefferson Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia. He joined the UT Southwestern faculty in 1990.

He is an accomplished lecturer and author and is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the Distinguished Service Award from the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases and the Distinguished Educator Award from the American Gastroenterological Association. He also has served as president of the American College of Physicians and the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases, and as vice-chairman for the American Digestive Health Association.

Dr. Ann Matt Maddrey earned her bachelor's degree in biology from Johns Hopkins in 1975. She earned her doctorate in clinical psychology from UT Southwestern in 1997 and joined the medical center's faculty that same year.

She is a member of numerous professional organizations, including the Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine, the American Psychological Association and the National Academy of Neuropsychology.

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