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UT SOUTHWESTERN FACULTY RECEIVE HONORS

DALLAS – January 21, 1999 – Faculty members from UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas recently were recognized for outstanding achievement in their fields:

Dr. John Minna, director of the Nancy B. and Jake L. Hamon Center for Therapeutic Oncology Research at UT Southwestern, received a special award from the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation for his dedication and commitment to eradicating breast cancer. This marked the first time such an award has been presented.

Dr. Jerry Shay, professor of cell biology and neuroscience at UT Southwestern, has been selected as a 1999 Ellison Medical Foundation Senior Scholar. He will receive a four-year grant of \$748,000 from the nonprofit foundation that supports cutting-edge biomedical research on aging. Shay will use the award to study the role of telomeres and telomerase in aging.

Children's Medical Center of Dallas honored **Dr. Joel Steinberg** with the Robert L. Moore, M.D., Award for Medicine during its 10th annual service awards presentation. Steinberg is professor of pediatrics at UT Southwestern and assistant dean for clinical affairs for Children's Medical Center. He is a renowned figure in the pediatric community and has carried on a busy private pediatric practice in Richardson for more than 22 years. Steinberg is vice president and director of medical affairs at Children's.

Dr. James Huth, chairman of the surgical oncology division at UT Southwestern has been elected 1998-1999 president of the American Cancer Society's Dallas Metro Board of Directors. Huth works in the clinical arenas of breast cancer, melanoma, primary and metastatic liver tumors and soft-tissue sarcomas.

Dr. Karanjit Kooner, associate professor of ophthalmology at UT Southwestern, was invited to give an oral presentation at the annual meeting of the Punjab Ophthalmological Society in India. The only American honored with the invitation, Kooner spoke about the management of glaucoma and cataracts at the 2-day meeting held this fall in the city of Amritsar.

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