

SOUTHWESTERN NEWS

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PATIENTS WANTED FOR CLINICAL TRIALS AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS – Dec. 16, 2003 – Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas are seeking patients to participate in medical studies on bone health, lupus, and dermatitis. All clinical trials are approved by UT Southwestern's Institutional Review Board, which reviews them for benefits, risks, side effects and informed consent.

Bone health

UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas is conducting research to assess the effects of cigarette smoking on bone health of women. Healthy premenopausal volunteers who smoke are needed for a study to examine the link between tobacco and osteoporosis. The study will involve a two-night inpatient stay at the Clinical Research Center, with blood and urine tests. Participants will be compensated for their participation. For more information, call 214-648-6494.

Lupus

People with systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) are wanted for a study of an investigational drug at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. Participants must be at least 18 years old, have been diagnosed with SLE by a doctor, and have lupus activity requiring treatment. Subjects will continue on their usual lupus treatment in addition to intravenous infusions of the study drug. Patients will receive financial compensation for their participation. For more information, call 214-648-2018 or 214-648-9111.

Dermatitis

Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas are looking for adult African-American patients with seborrheic dermatitis. The skin condition causes scaling and reddening of the skin at the hairline, browline and other areas of the face. Those selected for the 16-week study will receive medical treatment, medication and financial compensation for their participation. For more information, call 214-648-5751.

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For information about other clinical trials at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, visit <http://www.utsouthwestern.edu/utsw/cda/dept24109/files/69796.html>.