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AMON G. CARTER FOUNDATION DONATES \$50,000 FOR PROSTATE CANCER RESEARCH AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS – Oct. 11, 2001 – For the second time in two years, the Amon G. Carter Foundation has donated \$50,000 to further prostate cancer research at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

The gift, given to Southwestern Medical Foundation, will support the research of Dr. Eugene Frenkel, professor of internal medicine and radiology.

“This funding will allow us to expand our studies linking basic research observations with clinical evaluation and care,” Frenkel said.

John H. Robinson, executive vice president of the Amon G. Carter Foundation, said, “It has been exciting to follow Dr. Frenkel’s progress and also see the expanded implications of the findings.”

Amon G. Carter and his wife, Nenetta Burton Carter, incorporated the Amon G. Carter Foundation in 1945. In addition to funding the Amon Carter Museum in Fort Worth, the Amon G. Carter Foundation over the years has supported education, social and human services, and health issues, including medical research. A board member who was aware of Frenkel’s prostate-cancer research directed the foundation’s attention to UT Southwestern.

“The Amon G. Carter Foundation is playing a critical role in our progress in this significant research. We are grateful that the foundation has made these funds available for such a worthwhile purpose,” said Dr. Kern Wildenthal, president of UT Southwestern.

Plack Carr, president and chief executive officer of Southwestern Medical Foundation, concurred. “These additional funds for support of prostate-cancer research will be invaluable as Dr. Frenkel moves forward with this program.”

Frenkel, who holds the Patsy R. and Raymond D. Nasher Distinguished Chair in Cancer Research, given in Frenkel’s honor, and the A. Kenneth Pye Professorship in Cancer Research,

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began his career on the faculty of the University of Michigan Medical School. He joined UT Southwestern as chief of hematology/oncology in 1962. He has successfully investigated the mechanisms of chemotherapy drug delivery to tumor cells.

Frenkel has served as chairman of the Liaison Committee for Medical Oncology and Hematology of the American Board of Internal Medicine and as a member of its Research Committee. He currently serves as chairman of the Institutional Grants Committee of the American Cancer Society and as a member of the executive committee of the Texas Cancer Council, among other boards.

One in six men will be affected by prostate cancer in their lifetime, and the incidence of prostate cancer increased 141.8 percent between 1973 and 1994, according to CapCure, a member of the National Prostate Cancer Coalition.

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