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UT SOUTHWESTERN FACULTY RECEIVE GRANTS

DALLAS – Oct. 27, 2003 – Faculty members from UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas recently were awarded grants to conduct novel research in their fields.

Dr. James A. Bibb, assistant professor of psychiatry at UT Southwestern, recently was awarded a \$75,000 research grant from the Tourette Syndrome Association (TSA) for a study on the identification of neuronal proteins involved in Tourette syndrome (TS).

Through his studies, he hopes to learn which specific signaling pathways become altered and contribute to the development of TS and obsessive-compulsive disorder, and find new targets for the development of novel therapeutic and preventative treatments.

Dr. Bibb is one of 18 recipients of grants from the TSA, a Bayside, N.Y.-based organization founded in 1972 to promote education about the syndrome, research and service.

Dr. Robert Ilaria, assistant professor of internal medicine and molecular biology at UT Southwestern, recently received a \$733,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Defense Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia Research Program.

The award will be used to study novel approaches for the use of STI-571, also called Gleevec, to fight chronic myelogenous leukemia (CML), a relatively uncommon leukemia with about 5,000 new cases diagnosed each year in the United States.