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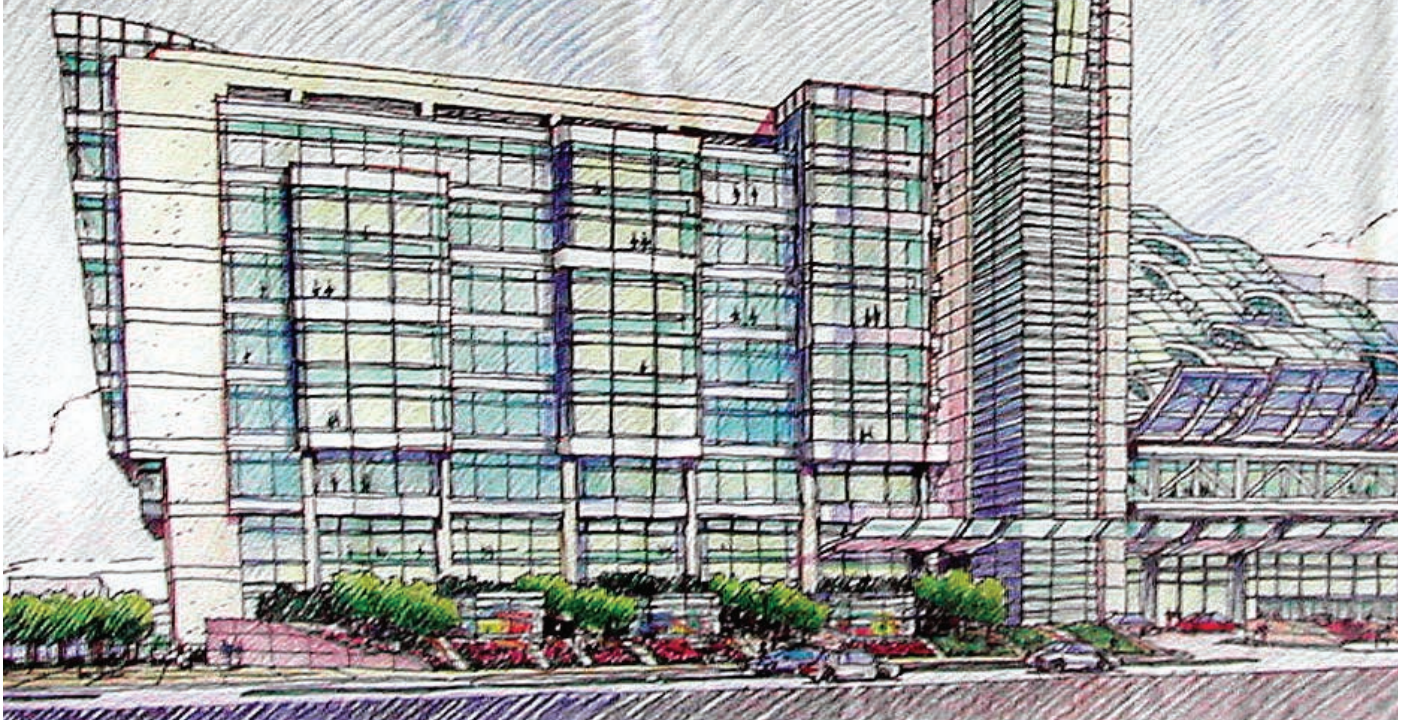
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OU PHYSICIANS FIRST WITH PROMISING LIVER CANCER BREAKTHROUGH

OU Physicians became the first and only medical specialists in the nation to provide a promising treatment for primary liver cancer when it administered radiochemicals to an Oklahoma man. The innovative treatment raises a patient's five-year survival rate from 13 percent to 60 percent, according to OU Physicians hematologist/oncologist Howard Ozer, M.D., Ph.D. It uses a specially prepared lipiodal drug manufactured in France and shipped via air transport to Oklahoma.

Promising treatments for primary liver cancer have been rare, Dr. Ozer said. Primary liver cancer is cancer that originates in the liver rather than spreading to the liver from some other part of the body. This treatment has been used successfully in other parts of the world where the disease is more prevalent, such as France and Hong Kong.

The treatment — targeted radiochemotherapy using I-131 and the drug lipiodal — was performed by OU Physicians nuclear medicine specialist Charles Arnold, M.D., and interventional radiologist Timothy Tytle, M.D., in an angiographic suite of OU

MEDICAL CENTER. I-131 is a radioactive agent. Lipiodal is a fatty acid derived from poppy seed oil. The specially prepared lipiodal was manufactured in France and arrived via air transport.

Patients receive I-131 radiochemotherapy under local anesthetic and stay in the hospital for about 48 hours before resuming their lifestyles. They continue to have their health monitored regularly.

The patient who received the treatment in May is an active, 81-year-old male whose liver tumor was removed in an earlier procedure by OU Physicians surgeon Larry R. Pennington, M.D. Dr. Ozer and other OU Physicians collaborated to find the best follow-up treatment. Then they applied for and received an investigational new drug license from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in order to perform it.

Dr. Pennington has already identified another Oklahoman who might benefit from the new treatment, so it's expected that the physicians will apply for an expanded license to make the treatment available as a clinical study to multiple patients.



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CONTROLLING FINANCIAL STRESS

INFORMATION FROM THE OKLAHOMA HEALTH SERVICES FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Does it seem like there are more bills than cash or more out-flow than in-flow? With today's economy many are currently feeling the crunch of financial stress. There is help.

Consider these facts: • The average credit card balance is about \$7,000. • The average interest rate is nearly 19%. • Late fees are now often \$25.00 or higher. • The average household has 10 credit cards. • Last year more than 1.3 million Americans filed for bankruptcy, the highest in our nation's history. • Credit card companies solicit the average American seven times a year through the mail. • The average credit card balance would take 25 years to repay if paying the minimum monthly payment.

If you are in a situation where it seems like there isn't enough money to make your monthly payments and you want help, but don't want to enlist outside help, consider these suggestions:

Get a good idea of what you are spending your money on. Keep track of your spending with a journal. You will probably be amazed as to where your money goes.

Compare your after-tax monthly income to your monthly expenses. Keeping in mind those bills that occur quarterly, annually, etc.

Establish spending priorities. Remember that paying your car insurance is really more important than eating lunch at Taco Bell and McDonald's with friends from work.

Make a spending plan. Set up a budget. (Don't let that word scare you. Let the budget be a guide, not a law written in stone.)

Now, what if trying to get a grip on your finances isn't for you? (Totally understandable!) Then look for a

reputable credit counseling/debt management company to help get your finances in order. When in search of companies to consider using, look in your local Yellow Pages, use the internet and ask friends and family for references.

What should you expect when working with a credit counseling company?

The first step will normally be to discuss your particular situation in order to gain an understanding of the size and structure of your debt, called debt assessment.

The second step is usually to develop a personal budget. This will include establishing one convenient lower monthly payment, instead of having to make numerous credit card and other debt payments. This is part of the debt recovery plan established to reduce your personal debt.

The third step will normally include providing ongoing support and financial education.

The purpose of working with a credit counseling service is to let you, the consumer, pay off debts at an affordable amount, thus preventing bankruptcy. Many of the benefits normally associated with enlisting the help of a credit counseling service include:

- Elimination of calls from collection agencies.
- Elimination of late and over the limit fees.
- Reduction of interest rates.
- One reasonable monthly payment.
- Educational skills to help you make wise financial decisions.

The fees and charges will depend on the company you choose to work with. Controlling your financial stress isn't always easy, but it shouldn't be impossible. As always, contact your primary financial institution for financial information.

*Facts gathered from 4creditordebtsolutions.com.

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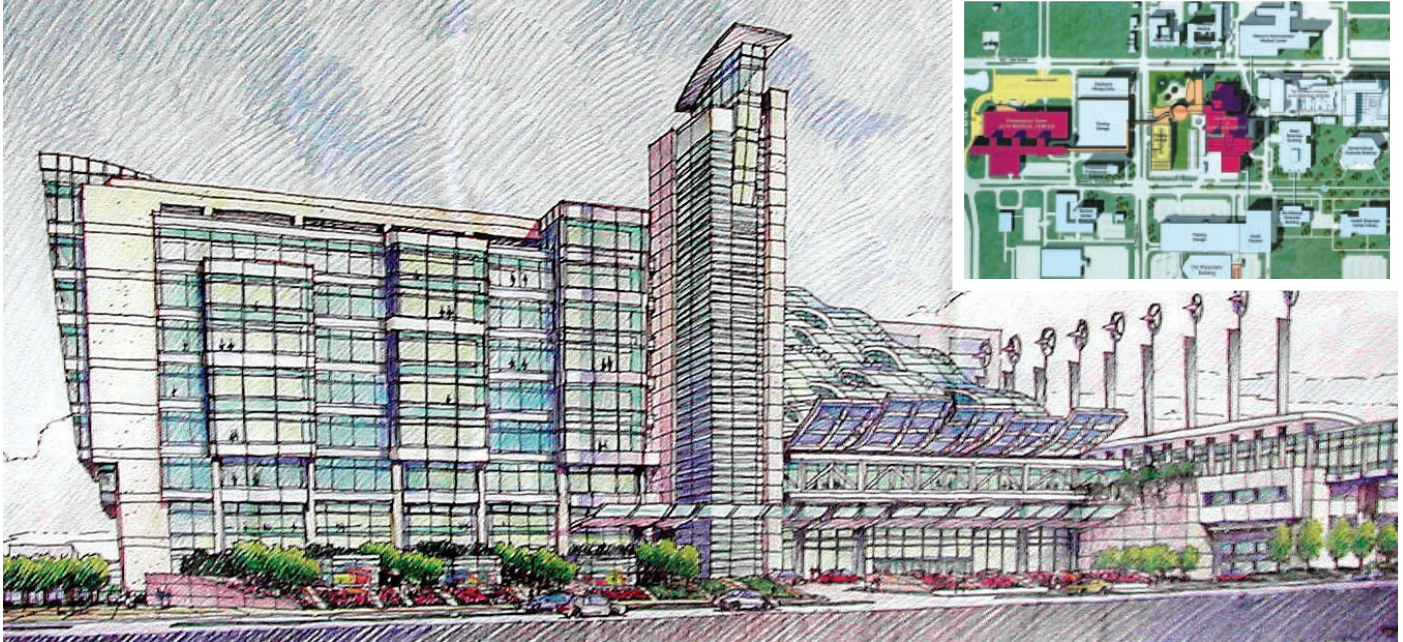
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OU MEDICAL CENTER AND TRUST ANNOUNCE \$180 MILLION FACILITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

Project is believed to be one of the largest in the state.

HCA and the University Hospitals Authority and Trust plan to invest \$180 million in a construction project at OU MEDICAL CENTER and The Children's Hospital at OU MEDICAL CENTER. The Governing Committee for the hospital has approved \$141 million of the project with the remainder of the plan to be addressed in the near future by the Trust.

The program is believed to be one of the largest funded investment projects in the state's history and is another step in the historical Joint Operation Agreement (JOA) - a public/private partnership between HCA and the state of Oklahoma. The construction plan was developed to eliminate the duplication of medical and support services that existed when the JOA created OU MEDICAL CENTER in 1998. The project will increase the size of patient rooms, update the technology and provide state-of-the-art care for the adult and pediatric patients treated at the hospital. The project is designed to enhance and expand the level of service provided, update and modernize the hospital and provide easier access for patients.

"It makes us more proud as we become one of the premier academic health centers in the country," Dr. Joseph Ferretti, OUHSC provost commented at a press conference announcing the project.

"The intent of this facility enhancement program is to grow, we're consolidating square feet, we are not consolidating programs. We are positioning programs to grow with appropriate facilities and technologies that we haven't had in the past," said Jerry Maier, CEO, OU MEDICAL CENTER. "The Children's Hospital at OU MEDICAL CENTER is probably one of the most exciting aspects of this project. The Children's Hospital will now have a new front door. People will be able to walk into one building, go to any floor they need and receive the appropriate services, instead of having to come through multiple doors and find those services in multiple buildings. The equipment and technology will be updated; the rooms will be expanded and all made private; and the facilities will be significantly improved."

The facility enhancement program will consolidate OU MEDICAL CENTER from three into two sites, which will provide patients easier access to the quality care provided in the hospital. One of the sites will primarily be dedicated to adult services while the second will focus on women and children. The Children's Hospital is moving to a new location so that OU MEDICAL CENTER may expand and enhance the level of services provided to the pediatric patients; and it will still operate as the state's only hospital solely



Showing off an artists' rendering of the newly remodeled OU MEDICAL CENTER are: Dr. Dewayne Andrews, dean of the OU College of Medicine; Dr. Joseph Ferretti, OUHSC provost; Dr. Donald Halverstadt; and Dean Gandy, executive director of the University Hospitals Trust and Authority. (Photo by April Sandefer)

dedicated to the treatment of children.

The University Hospitals Authority and Trust is on schedule to build a new pediatric physicians office building attached to The Children's Hospital. Once completed it will provide easier and more convenient access for the pediatric patients. In addition, one of the existing parking garages on the campus will be razed and replaced with a much larger facility.

Final design plans for the project are expected in the next few months. Construction should begin shortly after the plans are finalized. The architectural firm for the hospital is Perkins and Will CRA. The Trust has selected Miles Associates to handle its design work. The entire project is expected to be

completed in three years.

"This facility enhancement program continues the renaissance underway on this campus. It is further proof of the strength of the partnership forged with HCA, the University of Oklahoma and the state five years ago," said Mike Samis, Joint Operating Agreement board chairman, University Hospital Authority and Trust.

"This project provides for a world class medical center where our physicians can better meet their mission of quality patient care, research and the education of tomorrow's health care professionals," said Dewayne Andrews, Dean of the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine.

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MEDI FLIGHT TAKES DELIVERY OF WORLD'S FIRST HELICOPTER AMBULANCE

Medi Flight of Oklahoma received the first of two new custom designed EC 130 B4 helicopters — the first helicopter in the world to be used for hospital/air ambulance service — in May. OU MEDICAL CENTER owns and operates Medi Flight of Oklahoma.

There are only a handful of the newly designed helicopters in use today, but none, until now, were used for medical transport. The second EC 130 B4 should be delivered early this month.

While Medi Flight pilots become trained on the new helicopter, the air ambulance service continued to use the familiar black and gold painted

helicopters.

"Because the aircraft were specifically configured for air medical use it has taken several months to complete and be certified by the FAA.," said Chris Vaughan, Program Director, Medi Flight. "It has been worth the wait for these new state of the art aircraft. We anticipate these will be the new standard in air medical transport throughout the industry."

The EC 130 B4 helicopters, which are constructed by Eurocopter, are 25 percent faster than Bell 206 Long Rangers, the Helicopters Medi Flight has been using for about 12 years. In

addition, because the new helicopters have a much longer range, Medi Flight will be able to serve the entire state of Oklahoma from its centrally located home base located at OU MEDICAL CENTER, greater enhancing the ability to serve the rural areas of the state.

"Because Medi Flight's home base is located in the center of the state, these helicopters will allow us to go anywhere in the state of Oklahoma, pick up the patient and bring them to our Trauma Center without having to stop to refuel and with much greater speed. In a trauma time is critical and these helicopters will get a critically injured

patient to the care needed more quickly and safely," said Brad Taylor, Chief Strategic Officer, OU MEDICAL CENTER. "Because more people will now have access to the state's only national rated Level 1 Trauma Center, more lives can be saved."

In addition, the new helicopters increased size will also allow OU MEDICAL CENTER more flexibility when transferring newborn infants, who are transferred in large isolette beds, to The Children's Hospital at OU MEDICAL CENTER, which is the state's only free-standing pediatric facility.



THE FOUNDATION THAT DARES TO DREAM

By Michael D. Anderson, Ph.D.
President, Presbyterian Health Foundation

George Bernard Shaw: "Some people see things and say 'Why?' I dream things that never were and say 'Why not?'"

A revolution has come upon us through genetics, cell biology and other sciences. Biotechnology, Ernst and Young state, shall be a 100 billion dollar per year business by 2007. Fundamental knowledge from research is disclosing root causes of human disease and revolutionary treatments are evolving now. Biotechnology takes the 'why not' dreams of seminal thinkers and transfers them to new therapeutic products that save and enhance life.

An excellent example of this phenomenon is the signal work of Dr. Charles Esmon and Dr. Fletcher Taylor, Jr. These colleagues of the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation have produced the first and only FDA-approved treatment for severe sepsis.

Sepsis shock kills 500,000 people in the world each year. Sepsis is the leading cause of death among intensive care patients. Eli Lilly and Co., developed the drug Xigris using Esmon and Taylor's research. T.S. Eliot's colorful phrase, "in the idea is the action, in the dream is the motion," comes to mind.

Xigris is already "in action" in 28 nations of the world. One in 16 patients with the otherwise fatal bacterial infection is saved: that's more than 30,000 persons saved to a new opportunity for good life each year.

The monetary results are also significant with Xigris sales in 2002 totaling \$100.2 million. Money is not the theme of good medical science, but it is essential to doing good science. As Presbyterian Health Foundation trustees discussed at a recent long range planning retreat, "If you think research is expensive, try disease!"

All of us are pleased that OMRF and Eli Lilly have come to a mutual conclusion on "discussions" about scientific originality and licensing, inter alia.

The Presbyterian Research Park continues to expand with the scientists who dream "Why not?" We have a new tenancy in a Finnish company, Inion which makes surgical prosthetic devices. Simply put, these devices are like "screws" that are bio-engineered verses those made in metal shop. This is a great advantage, in case you are slugged in the jaw and your oral surgeon has to not only shut you up for awhile, but also screw together the fragmented mandible. Here's where you'll love Inion. Their device is a biotechnological thing, not a metallurgist thing. And, it won't require a

second surgery to remove metal plates and screws as some older procedures do.

Our Research Park will be the new U.S. address for Inion. We welcome our Finnish scientists' idea and our international bio-science commerce.

Here is the company's self-description of their product: "Inion, Intelligent Solutions, the CPS 1.5/2.0/2.5mm system, through innovative biomaterials, a fusion of unique clinical, biomaterials and manufacturing expertise. Founded in 1999, Inion provides comprehensive high quality solutions for a range of surgical procedures that optimize clinical outcomes, speed and ease of use and cost efficiency. These are biodegradable product concepts, focused on patient safety and recognized by world renowned experts in CM (craniomaxillofacial) surgery and biomaterial sciences."

I still say they make a "screw," only Inion has invented a "better screw." This "degradation of polymers in the body is a two phase process consisting of chemical hydrolysis and metabolism of the resulting degradation products." If you need it, this is the one. You can get it at the Presbyterian Health Foundation Research Park whose Foundation dares to dream, and participates with those who make the dream of better health and life come true.

OU MEDICAL CENTER CHAPLAIN WINS NATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Danny L. Cavett, a chaplain and Employee of the Year at OU MEDICAL CENTER, has been named a recipient of HCA's 2002 Frist Humanitarian Award.

The awards, created in 1971, honor individuals for their outstanding humanitarian and volunteer activities. The Humanitarian Awards are given each year in recognition of the caring spirit and philanthropic work of the late Dr. Thomas Frist, Sr., a founder of HCA, parent company of OU MEDICAL CENTER. Employees and volunteers who demonstrate extraordinary commitment and dedication to caregiving and their community are selected around the country and honorees are recognized at the local and national levels. The national winners are selected from the local honorees.

The highest honor HCA employees and volunteers can receive, the Frist Humanitarian Award includes a \$5,000 donation to the charity of the recipient's choice, \$5,000 in cash and \$1,000 in HCA stock.

As Chaplain at OU MEDICAL CENTER, Cavett spends his days counseling the families of ill children. His calm demeanor and reassuring ways have also helped during times of national crisis, apparent in his tireless efforts following the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing and during his service as a grief counselor in New York City after September 11. In addition to his work at the hospital, Cavett's fundraising efforts have allowed him to establish and operate more than four camps for terminally ill children.

As a cancer survivor who has been through chemotherapy, radiation therapy and a bone marrow transplant, and after losing everything in the May 3, 1999, tornado, Cavett's enduring strength has made him a hometown - and now national - hero.

"Danny's dedication as Chaplain to both his community and nation make him an inspiration to all of us at HCA," said Jack O. Bovender, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of HCA. "His selfless devotion to others, even in the face of his own adversity, exemplifies our company's values. Just as clinicians heal bodies, he gives so much of his time and efforts to bettering the human condition by healing spirits."

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Steven A. Meixel, M.D., has been named recipient of the 20th Stanton L. Young Master Teacher Award. The presentation of the award and a check for \$10,000, were made at a black tie dinner event held at the Oklahoma City Golf & Country Club.

Dr. Meixel is a family medicine specialist. He holds the Paul Tietze Professor of Family Medicine endowed chair and is director of pre-doctoral education for the Department of Family Medicine, University of Oklahoma College of Medicine in Tulsa. In 2002, he was the recipient of the Aesculapian Award from the graduating medical school class at the University of Oklahoma-Tulsa, and was listed as one of the Best Doctors in America.

The Master Teacher Award was

established in 1983, through an endowment made by Oklahoma City businessman Stanton L. Young, one of the Oklahoma Health Center founders. The award is given annually to a faculty member in the College of Medicine. Members of the medical honor fraternity, Alpha Omega Alpha, and other principal class officers make initial recommendations. The students submit three nominations, and the Dean of the College of Medicine makes the final selection.

On hand for the Master Teacher Award festivities were (from left) Linda and Dr. Steven Crawford, Dr. Robert and Becky Mannel and Barbara Young sneaks a peak between Jesus and Libby Medina.



Master Teacher Award winner Dr. Steven Meixel (third from left) is surrounded by well-wishers at the recent black tie event. Showing their support are (from left): Dr. Dwayne Andrews, dean of the OU College of Medicine; Rebecca Andrews; Dr. Meixel's daughter Jessi; and Barbara and Stanton L. Young, for whom the award is named. (Photos by April Sandefer)



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Dr. David Tuggle, CMRI's new Paula Milburn Chair in Pediatric Surgery.
(Photo provided)

Tuggle appointed to CMRI Pediatric Surgery Chair

David W. Tuggle, M.D., has been appointed to the Children's Medical Research Institute (CMRI) Paula Milburn Miller Chair in Pediatric Surgery.

Dr. Tuggle is chief of pediatric surgery at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine. He is also the program director for pediatric surgery residency at The Children's Hospital at OU MEDICAL CENTER, one of only 36 programs in the U.S. and Canada. He is one of the three pediatric surgeons on the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma and is a senior hospital site reviewer for the Trauma Center Verification Program of the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Tuggle was awarded the Weigelt Wallace Award in Medicine for his involvement in the Alfred P. Murrah bombing in 1995. His research interests include surgical care of injured and critically ill children, surgically directed ultrasound in children, the treatment of pediatric abdominal compartment syndrome and most recently in developing a fetal treatment center.

The CMRI Paula Milburn Miller Chair in pediatric surgery is the ninth research chair funded to help provide excellent health care and continued research for Oklahoma's children.

In 1998, Paul Milburn of Shawnee, provided a \$500,000 gift to establish an endowed faculty chair in pediatric surgery at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine to support advanced research and education leading to improved surgical procedures for children.

Milburn's daughter, Paula, was seven years old when she was critically injured during a horse riding accident. Paula was rushed from Shawnee to Children's Hospital, where several doctors were forced into action to address a series of severe head and face injuries. In addition to several broken bones in her face, Paula also experienced a loss of hearing in her left ear. However, through the remarkable work of those surgeons and the corrective surgery they provided, Paula was able to become the extraordinary woman she is today; a teacher, wife and mother of two.

OMRF SCIENTIST RECEIVES GRANT TO STUDY EFFECTS OF ASPARTAME ON SICKLE CELL ANEMIA

Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation scientist Dr. Carl Manion has received a \$121,000 grant from the American Heart Association to study the effects of the sweetener aspartame on sickle cell anemia.

Sickle cell anemia is an inherited disease in which the red blood cells – normally doughnut-shaped – become crescent shaped. In preliminary pharmacological studies, Manion has found that aspartame, widely known by the brand names "Nutrasweet" and "Equal," temporarily prevents the blood cells from sickling.

In a pair of studies, each involving a dozen sickle cell sufferers, Manion determined that a one-time dose of the sweetener virtually eliminated sickle cells from the blood for up to 24 hours.

"Our early results were extremely encouraging," said Manion. "If this larger, prolonged study confirms our

preliminary findings, it could mean longer, better quality lives for all those who suffer from sickle cell anemia."

Sickle cell anemia affects tens of thousands of Americans, almost all of African descent. Symptoms of the disease, which has no known cure, include acute joint and bone pain, chronic fatigue, poor eyesight and blindness. Eventually, it leads to organ failure and premature death, usually as a result of cardiovascular diseases such as heart attack and stroke.

"Sickle cell anemia is not only very painful to live with, but it's a killer," said Manion.

For his research, Manion is seeking sickle cell sufferers who will take tablets containing aspartame and have their blood tested at regular intervals for approximately one month. Anyone interested in participating in the study should contact Sandra Wilson at (405) 271-7805.

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