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KU MED WINS CANCER RESEARCH FUNDING

WASHINGTON -- Senator Bob Dole (R-Kansas) announced today that the University of Kansas Medical Center has been awarded \$225,500 from the National Cancer Institute to help the University establish a frontline cancer research facility for the region.

Planning and development grants of this kind are awarded to encourage the development of cancer research centers in underrepresented regions of the country not currently served by existing National Cancer Institute-designated centers.

According to Senator Dole, the grant will assist KU in its drive to create the Cancer Center for the Southern Great Plains, which will not only support basic cancer research but also clinical treatment facilities.

"This important seed money from the National Cancer Institute will put KU in the position to compete for the funding it needs to help turn the Southern Great Plains Center from a dream into a reality," Dole said. "Health care is the issue of the '90's, and bringing this kind of national research and treatment resource to our own backyard is just what the doctor ordered for rural America."