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Charles and Daneen Stiefel Give \$1 Million for Dermatologic Research

The Dermatology Foundation’s Board of Trustees is pleased announce and recognize Charles and Daneen Stiefel for their recent gift of \$1 million, the largest single contribution ever received by the DF.

“We have enormous respect for the work of the Dermatology Foundation, and we wanted to do something special to support its mission,” Mr. Stiefel explains. At the Stiefels’ request, these funds will be dedicated to advancing research in autoimmune and/or connective tissue diseases through a new research award intended for early to mid-career investigators. They hope their gift will lead to better treatments for these diseases and to an improved understanding of their causes and their association with cancer.

“My primary philanthropic focus has been—and continues to be—cancer research,” Mr. Stiefel notes. This holds deep personal significance for him, because many members of his family have battled cancer. He himself has suffered from two different types of cancer.

Mr. Stiefel’s unwavering support of the DF has long been part of both his private and public lives. He is a member of the Annenberg Circle and Fitzpatrick Legacy Fund, and is the former

Chair and CEO of Stiefel Laboratories, a Corporate Honor Society member and supporter of the DF.

Mr. Stiefel's dedication to the Foundation reflects his belief that building the scientific base of dermatology is critically important. "Throughout its 50-year history, the Foundation has played a prominent role in advancing the science and the practice of dermatology," he says—"and I strongly believe it will continue to do so."

The DF Trustees extend their deep gratitude to Charles and Daneen Stiefel for their exceptional generosity, and their decision to support the future of the specialty.

The Dermatology Foundation was established in 1964 and is the leading private funding source for skin disease research. It provides funding that helps develop and retain tomorrow's teachers and researchers in dermatology, enabling advancements in patient care.

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Attachment: Picture of Charles and Daneen Stiefel