



UTSA Opens New Bioterrorism Lab

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A new research lab for bioterrorism opened Monday at the University of Texas at San Antonio. SAN ANTONIO (AP) -

The \$10.6 million Margaret Batts Tobin Laboratory Building will provide a 22,000-square-foot facility to study such diseases as anthrax, tularemia, cholera, lyme disease, desert valley fever and other parasitic and fungal diseases.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention identified these diseases as potential bioterrorism agents. Fifteen university researchers make up the newly established South Texas Center for Emerging Infectious Diseases.

Earlier this year, the researchers were awarded \$9 million in federal funding for bioterrorism research conducted in a smaller lab on campus.

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