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DALLAS--Some 75 physicians from throughout the United States and Canada will study the latest in diagnostic and treatment procedures for arthritis and other rheumatic diseases during an intensive three-day course here May 16-18.

Faculty experts from The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School and visiting professors from four other medical centers will conduct the course, designed to review clinical and immunological aspects of joint and connective-tissue disorders which afflict at least 20 million Americans.

Dr. Morris Ziff, professor of internal medicine and head of Southwestern's Rheumatic Diseases Unit, will be director of the course, which is being presented under auspices of the American College of Physicians. Sessions will be held at the Marriott Motor Hotel, 2101 Stemmons Freeway.

Part of a day-long study of rheumatoid arthritis will focus on various treatments including use of analgesics, gold salts and newer techniques involving immunosuppressive drugs, Dr. Ziff said.

Other topics in the course will include gout, rheumatoid arthritis among children, and surgical methods for replacing disease-crippled joints with plastic-and-metal prostheses.

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In addition to Dr. Ziff, Southwestern faculty members who will teach portions of the course are Drs. W. Kemp Clark, Chester W. Fink, Charles F. Gregory, Eric R. Hurd, Hugo E. Jasin, Robert L. Johnson, Louis H. Paradies, J. Donald Smiley and James N. Gilliam.

Visiting faculty, all nationally known specialists in rheumatic disease, includes Drs. Gerald P. Rodnan of the University of Pittsburgh; Naomi Rothfield of the University of Connecticut Medical School, Hartford; J. Edwin Seegmiller of the University of California, San Diego; and Leon Sokoloff of the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolic and Digestive Diseases, Bethesda, Md.

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