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DALLAS--Dr. Alvin Taurog, professor of pharmacology at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas, was co-recipient of the Parke-Davis Distinguished Lectureship Award at the 56th annual meeting of the American Thyroid Association, Inc., in San Diego Nov. 6.

Taurog was acknowledged as an investigator who has made major contributions in thyroid research over many years. Dr. Jack Robbins of the National Institutes of Health was also recognized for his research in this field.

Taurog lectured on the biosynthesis of thyroxine, an area of investigation in which he has been active, particularly regarding the role of thyroid peroxidase (an enzyme) in iodine metabolism.

The pharmacologist received his Ph.D. from University of California at Berkeley in 1943. He has been on the faculty at the health science center since 1959.

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