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*\*\*\*\*\*Health Science Center to host  
national sickle cell symposium.*

DALLAS--Dr. R.L. Ringler, deputy director of the Heart and Lung Institute of the National Institutes of Health, will give the keynote address for a symposium on the molecular and cellular aspects of sickle cell anemia to be held at The University of Texas Health Science Center this week. Dr. Ringler has been called the father of sickle cell research.

He will address the participants at an 8 p.m. dinner meeting on campus Tuesday evening on the history and progress made in sickle cell research. The major part of the symposium, however, will be from 8:30 a.m. through 10 p.m. Wednesday

Other major researchers in the field of sickle cell disease who will participate include Dr. Clarice Reid, national coordinator and branch chief, Sickle Cell Disease Branch, NIH; Dr. J.F. Bertles of St. Lukes Hospital Center, New York, N.Y.; Dr. D.G. Nathan, Harvard Medical School; Dr. Martin E. Spencer, University of California at San Francisco; and Dr. H.M. Ranney, University of California at San Diego.

Two UT biochemists who are participating in the meeting are currently working in sickle cell research. They are Drs. G. Larry Cottam and Michael R. Waterman.

Local host for the symposium is Dr. R.W. Estabrook, chairman of the Department of Biochemistry and dean of the center's Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences.

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