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PHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCH LEADER TO GIVE WELCH LECTURE AT MEDICAL SCHOOL

DALLAS --Dr. Max Tishler, senior vice president for research and development and member of the board of directors of Merck and Co., of Rahway, N.J., will be the Robert A. Welch Foundation Lecturer at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School at Dallas at 8 p.m. Tuesday (March 4).

Dr. Tishler, an internationally known research chemist, will speak on the subject of "Drug Research -- Whence and Whither." He will be accompanied to Dallas by Dr. W.O. Milligan, director of research for the Welch Foundation. Dr. Tishler also is lecturing at Rice University at Houston and at St. Mary's University in San Antonio. His Dallas lecture will be presented in the First Floor Lecture Room at the medical school.

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The Robert A. Welch Foundation of Houston, Tex., instituted the lectureship program to bring outstanding scientists to educational institutions in Texas. Under this program, 74 distinguished chemists have given a total of 213 lectures at 31 institutions in Texas.

Dr. Tishler heads the \$57 million-a-year research program of Merck & Co., Inc. He has contributed significantly to research and development in the fields of antibiotics, steroids and vitamins as well as in other fields of medicinal chemistry, having achieved more than 100 patents and published more than 100 papers. Major discoveries made in the Merck Sharp & Dohme Research Laboratories since Dr. Tishler assumed leadership in 1956 include drugs for the treatment of heart disease, hypertension, rheumatoid arthritis and other inflammatory diseases, and mental depression, and animal health products for control of economically significant diseases of poultry and livestock.

A native of Boston, Dr. Tishler received his Ph.D. in chemistry from Harvard University, where he also served as teaching fellow, research associate and instructor in chemistry prior to joining Merck in 1937 as a research chemist.

Dr. Tishler is active in educational affairs and serves on a number of scientific advisory committees affiliated with the U.S. Government, with numerous professional societies of which he is a member, and with the pharmaceutical industry.

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