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DALLAS--Graduate student Robin Bier (pronounced "beer") at The University of Texas Health Science Center in Dallas is looking for 100 smokers who want to quit.

Ms. Bier is working on a research project which will test a new method for helping people give up smoking. This study will form the basis for her dissertation in psychology. The technique is reported to have had excellent results with breaking such "mal adaptive" behaviors as alcohol and heroin addiction, as well as sexual exhibitionism.

The method, which must remain confidential until the work is complete, so far has been scientifically tested with only one patient. However, the Oregon psychiatrist who originally developed it, has reported excellent results using it with patients who want to stop smoking.

There is no charge for the sessions which will be held on the campus of The University of Texas Health Science Center during a two-week period, probably in early March. After attending a general meeting, participants will then meet for half-hour sessions Monday through Thursday evenings for a two-week period.

Dr. Robert Dain, assistant professor of psychology, is Ms. Bair's faculty advisor.

Persons who are interested in being volunteers can call Robin Bier at 358-3144 after Sunday, February 19.

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