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\*\*\*\*\*Estabrook named Wellcome Visiting Professor in biochemistry.

DALLAS--Dr. Ronald Estabrook, Virginia Lazenby O'Hara Professor of Biochemistry at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas (UTHSCD), has been named a Wellcome Visiting Professor for the school year 1977-78.

As a visiting professor, he will spend several days at the Louisiana State University School of Medicine in Shreveport next February. He will be involved in teaching and discussion with students and faculty at the host institution, and will deliver a Wellcome Lecture in biochemistry on the topic "Metabolism of drugs and cancer-producing chemicals by the body."

Dr. Estabrook is one of 12 visiting professors in the basic medical sciences sponsored by the Burroughs Wellcome Fund of Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. The 12, including two Nobel laureates, were selected by Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB), Bethesda. The member societies of the federation are American Physiological Society, American Society of Biological Chemists, American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, American Association of Pathologists, American Institute of Nutrition and American Association of Immunologists.

Each Wellcome professorship includes an honorarium of \$1,500 plus travel expense.

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Dr. Estabrook is chairman of the Department of Biochemistry of Southwestern Medical School and former dean of the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, both components of UTHSCD. He received the 1977 FASEB Award for contributions in the life sciences. He is a member of the Coordinating Council on Medical Education and the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, groups responsible for policy development for all phases of medical education.

Elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences in 1975, he was recently named to the Board of the National Research Council in the same organization. The council is responsible for influencing legislation concerning drugs, environmental pollutants and toxic substances, "everything from the Pure Water Act to drug therapy," according to Dr. Estabrook.

Author of 160 scientific papers, he is studying the biochemical link between cigarette smoking and lung cancer. He was awarded the Ph.D. degree from University of Rochester in 1954.

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