

REMEMBERING SEYMOUR BENZER IN HIS POST CENTENARY YEAR

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*The world celebrated the birth centenary of the pioneer of molecular biology and neurogenetics, Seymour Benzer in 2021. He had many feathers in his cap. On one hand he was a physicist, and then on the other he was a molecular biologist, and above all a behavioral geneticist. The most significant feature of his journey of research in science was his inter and trans-disciplinary approach. The hallmark of his brilliance was the maverick nature of his quest for the truth, which made him travel from physics to the exciting world of 'fine structure genetic analysis' to the unique application of the 'fruit fly *Drosophila melanogaster*' for the study of nervous system function and development. This article narrates the above features of the life and works of Seymour Benzer with a view to spreading awareness about his inquiry driven approach to scientific research.*
