Faculty members tied to Biogen

By Richard Salz

Bigen, the Swiss chemical company seeking to establish a base of operations for recombinant DNA work here in Cambridge, has ties with members of the MIT and Harvard faculty.

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Iran sets hostage terms — The Iranian Majlis set terms Sunday for the release of the 52 American hostages still held in Tehran. According to Tehran radio, the hostages will only be released together if all set conditions for release are met. Otherwise, they may be released in stages as the U.S complies with Iran’s terms. President Carter commented that the Iranian action “appears to offer a positive hint” for the future release of the hostages. Complications may arise, however, as there may have been reports that the students are now unwilling to release the hostages to the Iranian government.

Campus

Dirtbag wins UMOC contest — The “Dirtbag,” the Baker House candidates is last week’s “Ugliest Man on Campus” contest, won first place in a field of fourteen entries. The contest, run by Alpha Phi Omega, collected $407.52 for the American Cancer Society. The final standings for the official candidates were:

- Dirt Bags: $171.08
- The Humper: $63.94
- Klanger: $34.57
- Dark Vader: $22.63

Top write-in candidates were Jerry Marks with $631.87 and Steve Pist with $485.79.

By Jay Glass

Weather

Generally cloudy today but quite mild. Highs should reach 60. Generally cloudy today but quite mild. There is a chance of a few widely scattered rain showers. A cold front will push through overnight, and lows will be in the middle 40’s. Coolier tomorrow with highs in the middle 50’s under sunny skies. Temperatures dropping tomorrow night into the upper 30’s.

By James Franklin
opinion

High Tech

In his speech before the Massachusetts High Technology Council last month, President Gray showed admirable restraint from entering an enhanced honeymoon with local industry. The Institute caters to all the people. A reality of limited resources, manpower, and funding prevents this. It is therefore important that MIT not be sidetracked from its two major functions: undergraduate education and research.

The Massachusetts High Technology Council had asked MIT to start an expanded education program for Massachusetts engineers. The Council wanted the Institute to offer a graduate degree program at a slower pace or on a part-time basis. They pointed out that Stanford University has a fairly extensive adult engineering education program and that periods, presumably on videotape or similar media, were locally available. The Council pointed out that such measures would "heighten the attractiveness of Massachusetts to engineers."

In his response, Gray explained that MIT has a history of a "mutually supportive" relationship with industry. Gray described the Industrial Liaison Program and the cooperative program in the School of Engineering. In addition, he highlighted some of the sponsored research programs receiving funding from industry, such as the Polymer Processing Program, funded by a consortium of a dozen industries.

In addition, MIT has its own "video school." The Center for Advanced Engineering Studies (CAES) offers several hundred videotapes on a score of courses.

The Council's request is a selfish, and perhaps short-sighted, one. By entering into a protracted arrangement with local high technology industry, the Institute runs the risk of losing sight of its basic academic orientation. Should the Institute decide to become more involved with and responsive to the needs of industry, the focus on research, one of the Institute's trademarks, may shift to the more commercial field of research and development.

Having abandoned long-range projects with little obvious commercial benefit for more immediate profit-oriented industrial projects, MIT's position as a leading information source would be seriously weakened.

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The UA News appears regularly in the campus media. The Undergraduate Association uses it as a way of communicating important issues to the student body. Many opportunities for involvement and formal meeting notices will be posted in the UA News. Space is available to campus organizations for announcements. All submissions should be sent to the UA News Editor, Chris MaxKoenne, on the Friday prior to the issue in which the announcement is to appear. Deliver all items to the UA office, Room 401 of the Student Center.

Call To Order
There will be a meeting of the General Assembly (GA) on Thursday, November 6, 1980 at 7pm. The meeting will be hosted by MIT Historical Collections (North on Mass Ave., near re) and the street from Random Hall). All UA reps. should attend.

Agenda
1. Announcements
2. Discussion with Royce Filipkin, Director of Athletics
3. Discussion with faculty committee on Student Affairs
4. Motion regarding proposed academic calendar changes
5. Confirmation of various appointments
6. Reports from Organizational Review Groups
7. Adjournment

GA Rep. Conference
Members of the General Assembly should plan to attend a conference on Saturday, November 8, 1980 from 10am to 2pm in the Mezzanine Lounge of the Student Center. A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. The purpose of this conference is to stop and take a look at where we are and where we are going. There will be workshops in which representatives will examine organizational aspects of MIT student government and look for ways to make it more effective and responsive. We will also look at the problems and issues confronting the MIT undergraduates and propose solutions to them. We will then reflect on these issues and develop an agenda for the year ahead.

Endicott Conference
If you attended the conference held at Endicott House on October 26th, please return the evaluation form. If you need another one, please call the UA Office (x2696).

Student Representatives Reportback
An open forum for the student body to discuss important issues with their student representatives on Institute Committees will be held on Thursday, November 13, 1980 at 7pm and room 98-100. All student representatives have been asked to give a report of their Committee work at this open forum.

Middle Ages Crisis Simulation
The MIT International Relations Club presents the Middle Ages Crisis Simulation. On Friday, November 7, 1980 at 6pm in the main (3rd) floor of Building 2, we will set the clock back one thousand years to Europe in the Middle Ages. November 7, in the year 1080 A.D. All members of the MIT community are welcome to participate. Participants will take the role of major European leaders of the era. No knowledge of the period is necessary in order to participate. We will begin at 6pm on Friday, November 7, 1980 and will continue until about 10pm that evening. The simulation will resume on Saturday, November 8, in the morning and run until late afternoon. If you have any questions, call Chris MacKenzie at 734-0851.

Attention Social Chairmen
The MIT Social Council will meet tomorrow (Wednesday, November 5) in the Bush Room, 10-105. Pizza will be served at 4pm, the meeting will begin at 4:30pm sharp. Advance notice will be available for MIT nights at Spinoff, Boston Ballet, and Boston Celtics. Social events at MIT and other colleges will be announced, so bring your calendar. Also, we will discuss planning and organization of Spring Weekend. Be sure to consult your living group first for opinions and ideas. Participating in Council activities is more than just "getting involved" - it makes the UA Social Budget benefit the living group you represent.

Spring Weekend
The Social Council is currently working for next term's Spring Weekend. General policy will be discussed at tomorrow's full council meeting. The Social Council Executive Board will meet head of groups who wish to run segments of Spring Weekend. Executive Board meets Sunday, November 9, at 3pm in Room 400 of the Student Center. Any group who wants to be responsible for some event - the Weekend is welcome to bring their ideas. For more information, contact chairman Chris, Johnson at 536-1310.

Elections and Appointments
At the last meeting, John Allen (TIP) was elected UA Floor Leader. Chuck Brown (MacGregor), Mike Lowe (BTP), Randal Roy (Burton) were elected Steering Committee members.

Joyce Pulloch (self-appoint) has been appointed UA Office Manager, Peter Balbus (East Campus) is serving as Executive Commissioners and Projects Coordinator.

Lobbying Team Coordinator
We have had many people express interest in working with HOSG, the Massachusetts Independent Student Coalition, lobbying in Beacon Hill. We would like to hear from those who would volunteer to serve as coordinator for the MIT student lobby group. Call registration and leave your name and phone number if you are interested.

UA Executive Assistants Program
If you are interested in getting involved with the day to day work of the Undergraduate Association, then consider serving as an "Executive Assistant." EA's do special projects, give events, write memos, prepare position papers, and help with ongoing UA operations. You can take on as much as you wish. Those interested will meet Nov. 6th from 3 to 5pm in the UA Office (Room 401 of the Student Center) to discuss opportunities that exist. Pizza will be served.

World Hunger
The UA Office has received some materials from the Presidential Commission on World Hunger and from Orlam. If you are interested in working to solve the world hunger problem, please stop by and pick up these useful materials.

Class of 1983 - Rings
If you are a sophomore interested in designing a unique class ring, please obtain an application form from the UA Office. If you are interested in working to solve the world hunger problem, please stop by and pick up these useful materials.

Stop By
The UA has many projects in the works. Please call or stop by if you have any ideas or want to help. If you have any comments or suggestions please contact Chuck MacKenzie (UAIP or Nick Adams (UAIF) or have a message with the UA secretary. The UA Office is located on the 4th floor of the Student Center, Room W20-401. Telephone x2-2695.
Bowling — MIT's Mark DeWitt '82 won the singles title in the University of Connecticut tournament held Sunday. DeWitt bowled a 230-178-226 series for a total of 636. In addition, the doubles team of DeWitt and Matt Womack '81 finished second in doubles competition by seven pins to RPI. The team title was taken by West Point.

Football — The Engineers compiled their regular season with a 31-8 victory over Buffalo State Sunday. MIT's 6-1 record puts it in good shape for a playoff berth in the National Collegiate Football Association (NCFA). Sunday's win was sparked by Jeff Olson's '82 two touchdowns from the guard position. MIT men lost to the New York University of Connecticut tournament compiled their regular season with a 31-8 victory over Buffalo State Sunday. MIT's 6-1 record puts it in good shape for a playoff berth in the National Collegiate Football Association (NCFA). Sunday's win was sparked by Jeff Olson's '82 two touchdowns from the guard position. MIT men lost to the New York Association (NCFA). Sunday's win was sparked by Jeff Olson's '82 two touchdowns from the guard position. MIT men lost to the New York

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