Raduation Ingestion Prompts Concerns

By A. Atif Rasingal

The recent irradiation of an MIT post-doctoral researcher has prompted the Radiation Protection Office to take steps that will strengthen enforcement of Institute safety regulations.

Yiping Li reportedly ingested a small amount of the radioactive tracer phosphores-32 while working at the Cancer Research Center in August ["Researcher Exposed to Above Normal Radiation Levels," Oct. 26].

While the quantity ingested was just under allowable levels, the rarity of such an incident has heightened concern about safety. An investigation by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission suspected the P-32 may have been added maliciously to Li's food or drink, since no other traces of the substance were discovered in the laboratory where he works.

Several security breaches found

"All we are trying to do is to enforce the [existing] regulations," said Radiation Protection Officer Francis X. Masse. The most important goal in terms of safety is "general awareness as to what's going on," he said.

MIT's policy comes from federal regulations on the use of radioactive substances, Masse said.

Specifically, the Radiation Protection Office is attempting to ensure that potential hazards of radioactive material are kept locked securely and under surveillance at all times, Masse said. Laboratory workers will be required to lock refrigerators and storage containers in addition to access points to areas where radioactive materials are stored.

In particular, efforts are being made to tighten policies at the Institute's non-discrimination policy, which protects students, faculty, and staff from discrimination based on sexual orientation. The Institute's policy on ROTC has been under review because of the conflict. After an October 1990 faculty resolution, a five-year working group was formed to conduct a federal government's discriminatory policy on homosexuals in the military. The working group's term concluded at the end of last month, and the new task force was formed to continue examining the Institute's policy on ROTC.

He said that he chose Graves because "he was recommended by several members of the faculty as someone who is known for his ability to examine information critically, listen carefully and fairly to all sides of issues, and help groups work toward sound conclusions."

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The committee will be looking at understanding the implementation of the federal government's 1993 "don't ask, don't tell" policy and projecting what will happen in Congress, federal courts, and other universities with regard to the policy, Graves said.

"Part of our education would be to solicit input from various constituencies on campus, such as students, faculty, and the ROTC community," Graves said.

"We will need to share this information with the MIT community, gather community input, and bring the issue back to the faculty," Vandiver said. "Much of the committee's work is to put the actual facts of the situation before the faculty.

An important goal of the task force is to encourage informed debate, "not to sell a solution one way or another," Graves said.

Vest Names Group to Look at ROTC Policy

By Stacey E. Blau

A president-appointed task force has begun evaluating MIT's ROTC program in light of its policy on homosexuality, which violates the Institute's non-discrimination policy.

President Charles M. Vest announced the formation of the task force at the Oct. 18 faculty meeting. Vest appointed Professor of Management Stephen C. Graves chairman of the task force.

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NEW YORK

Savannah Whitestone Committee Chairman Alfonso D'Amato, R-N.Y., Thursday said it was up to first lady Hillary Clinton to decide whether to appear before the committee after she was marked off the presidential list by lawyers representing Republicans that said she conspired.

Calling on Clinton to testify "would be construed by the White House as an effort to turn the present political witch hunt," D'Amato said. "I am not going to engage in that." Thursday is the last scheduled day of the current session.

Reiterating testimony first offered in August, the pair denied cooperating with Clinton and former White House Counsel Bernard Nussbaum to block Justice Department investigators and police from conversations with White House officials in the hours and days after Deputy Counsel Vincent Foster committed suicide July 20, 1993.

The Senate voted 53 to 42 in favor of the proposal but failed to muster the 60 votes necessary to overcome budgetary obstacles to the measure's passage. Under current law, Social Security beneficiaries that was endorsed both by President Clinton in his 1992 campaign and by House Republicans in their 1994 "Contract With America.

The Senate rejected legislation to allow senior citizens to appear before the committee. The proposal that was endorsed both by President Clinton in his 1992 campaign and by House Republicans in their 1994 "Contract With America.

More than 90 million Americans have diabetes, a threefold increase since 1980, according to the American Diabetes Association. The disease affects primarily older people, but it can be found in any age group and is increasingly being observed in young people.

About 5 million Americans have diabetes, up from 11 million in 1980, according to the American Diabetes Association and the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, part of the National Institutes of Health. The disease is marked by high blood sugar levels that can be controlled by taking insulin or taking medications.

The Hubble Space Telescope has detected embryonic stars emerging on the surfaces of monstrous pillars of interstellar gas, in images that astronomers say will rewrite the textbook on star formation. It is the first time such a star has been seen.

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The House of Representatives has long disagreed about how nature determines the sizes of stars. Theoretical studies by Bruce Margon, chairman of the astronomy department at the University of California at Berkeley, "has the biggest prize in the science of star formation," size, or can determine a star's size — erosion by radiation. Of the two, astronomers say they can trigger thermonuclear fusion, which generates heat and light. If they are not large enough, the stars simply die, and if they are not large enough, the stars simply die.

The Hubble findings show how to build a star — or a potential star — almost any small star, researchers said. For example, they found a "spray gun" that makes how nature makes fails objects known as brown dwarfs too small to be called stars, and how stars are considered planets. Some of the, in turn, can contain brown dwarf stars, they said.

The Hubble images of the tower-like tendrils within which the stars are being stripped of their surface gas clouds by a barrage of interstellar radiation blasting from massive stars nearby. Researchers have debunked the finger-tendril theory through the stars incubate EGGS (Evaporating Gaseous Globules), images show a new window on the processes that create stars by the billions, in the cold air late Saturday may be preceded by a few scattered clouds and, as it clears the coast early Saturday, the cold air will move to our west and south, as well as somewhat milder temperatures. By.
The advance could lead — perhaps in just two or three years — to a test telling whether the cancer has spread to other parts of the body, said researchers at the University of Texas at San Antonio. "That would be tremendously useful," said Wen-Hwa Lee, director of the university's Center for Molecular Medicine and head of the research team. "If we can elucidate how this protein functions inside the cell, we will be able to devise several tools to battle the breast cancer in general." Writing in Friday's issue of the journal Science, the University of Texas researchers report that in a healthy cell, the newly found protein lives within the central nucleus, where scientists believe it acts as a switch for turning various genes on and off. In the final stages of breast cancer, however, the protein languishes in the cell's outer regions, unable to perform its functions. That could, in part, be responsible for the haywire growth of cancer cells.

This finding also indicates that the gene that produces the protein likely plays a much more central role in breast cancer than previously thought. Last fall, researchers at the University of Utah won the race to identify that "breast cancer gene," commonly known as BRCA1. Defects in BRCA1 are believed responsible for half of inherited cases of breast and ovarian cancer, but only about 2.5 percent overall.

Further research showed that in non-inherited cancers, the gene was undamaged.

Separatist Bouchard Wavers in Pursuit of Quebec Leadership By Anne Swarson

OTTAWA - On another strange turn in one of the most dramatic weeks in Canada's political history, Quebec separatist Lucien Bouchard said Thursday that his political future — and thus the future of his cause — will be decided in part by a lonely wife and two small boys who miss their father.

Bouchard is the logical choice to inherit leadership of Canada's French-speaking province from Premier Jacques Parizeau, who on the day after Quebec voters narrowly voted not separating from Canada on Oct. 30, said he would resign. Bouchard, a member of the federal separast party which, because it holds the second-largest number of seats in the Canadian House of Commons, is also Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition. It also is Quebec's most popular and charismatic politician. Dark-haired and deep-voiced, Bouchard, 56, breathed new life into the separatist cause when he took over the flagging referendum campaign early last month and nearly succeeded. Separation was rejected by a margin of just over 1 percent of Quebec's 5 million voters.

But while Bouchard was campaigning, his sons Alexandre, 5, and Simon, 4, were at home in Montreal with his wife, California-born Audrey Bert, 35. A tired-looking Bouchard said Thursday in an emotional meeting with reporters that he faced "strong personal pressure to go back to private life."

"You know young children of 5 and 4, they don't understand what we are doing. They learn the word referendum and they hate it. They spit when they pronounce it," Bouchard said.

In a brief interview later in the day, Bouchard said he regretted missing Halloween with his sons, who trick-or-treated as a clown and a skeleton.

"Both of them are very mad at me," he said. "They say, 'You don't have a job, you just argue on television.' You cannot have a normal family life in politics."
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Strident Gore Speech Ignored Need for Compromise

Column by David D. Hsu

On Saturday, Vice President Al Gore spoke at the Institute. Using the MIT seal as a backdrop, he could have announced America's lasting commitment to new technologies by unveiling some profound new government policy. Instead, Gore chose to take the safer approach and denounce the Republican Congress.

Before Gore walked out on stage, I expected a speech heavy on concrete facts, statistics, and policy. After all, Gore is a Harvard graduate and well-read on technological issues. This was the same man who coined the term, "information superhighway" and, when armed with facts, won a debate with Ross Perot concerning the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Unfortunately, the pure facts took less time to tell than his scripted, opening jokes borrowed from David Letterman. Gore used the rest of his time bashing Republicans. Gore is apparently ready to accept government gridlock. "If the majority is in favor of it, there's not much we can do," he said. That he made no strong declarations rowed from David Letterman. Gore used the MIT seal as a backdrop, he could have announced America's lasting commitment to new technologies by unveiling some profound new government policy. Instead, Gore chose to take the safer approach and denounce the Republican Congress.

In his speech, Gore chose to close the option to negotiate and compromise. "The Republican Congress is devastation with misinformation," he said. He must have felt that Congress would pass legislation if he attacked them stringently, rather than taking a conciliatory position. During the question-and-answer session following his speech, Gore managed to evade most questions by using vague generalities. On questions of global environmental policy, he made no strong declarations, only citing a token effort at the Rio Earth Summit.

Global policy is under the jurisdiction of the president and not under Congress. When asked about concrete steps the United States is taking against the global issue of climate change, Gore only related scientific information on global warming. In front of an educated audience, he was given a chance to clearly state a well-thought-out plan or even just state his intention to form one. Instead, Gore merely held out hope that some future Congress would pass such legislation. What happens when no administration is so weak that it must wait for a new Congress to pass laws? Gore was willing to sit around and accomplish nothing until the next election.

In 1992, Clinton and Gore ran on a platform of change. A few months after being elected, Gore had pledged to reinvent government. Despite the Republican Congress's devastation with misinformation, Gore had said that Theodore Roosevelt, who can persuade Congress to get something done. It's been a while since the last strong president—since Franklin Roosevelt passed his New Deal legislation, or since Lyndon Johnson passed his Great Society legislation.

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Gore complained about special interests lobbying Republicans. But lobbying is not something exclusive to the special interests. Clinton, Gore, and other Democratic leaders can also lobby Republicans and discuss the issues. Earlier in his term, Clinton called up Democratic congressmen to support his budget and also to support NAFTA. In the end, both bills passed.

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Gore had said that Theodore Roosevelt would be naming in his grave he had heard of the Republicans' attacks on the environment. This may be true. But Roosevelt also said the office of the president could be used as a "bully pulpit," that a president could pressure and persuade Congress and not sit idly by. Roosevelt would also be turning in his grave if he had seen the diminishing powers of the president.

David D. Hsu, a sophomore majoring in chemical engineering, wishes he could blame Democrats for his 10.213 grades.
Campus Pick
Self-made group will give biggest performance so far
DANCE TROUPE
Definitions.
Produced by Victoria Vadasz.
Coordinated by Katie J. Adams.
The Kresge.
Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m.

By Craig Chang
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about the same time the Institute canceled the dance program in the spring of

1994, Vidasz (Pebbles) Vadasz '97 and Marnie F. Blumenthal '96 decided to rally

student dancers to revive a temporarily defunct Dance Troupe. Now over 100

members strong, the independent group they founded fosters dance in the MIT

community with classes for both beginners and experienced dancers.

Twice a year their collective talent and interest in the art of movement and form col-

minate in the Dance Concert. Performances this Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Little

Kresge will prove that Dance Troupe, as founder Vidasz describes, is "the greatest link

between dance and MIT."

Drawing from the diverse races of funk, ballet, modern, and jazz, the program will be

as much about diversity as about student ingenuity. "Definitions" is the name of this

weekend's feature that Vidasz and show coordinator Katie J. Adams '96 have put

together. It involves 61 students — most are undergraduates, but even some graduate stu-

dents have dedicated themselves to making the semianual event become a reality.

Over the past year, their concert has grown as quickly as their classes, which first centered around teaching jazz and ballet. Today, as the program tours

having almost three times as many performers as did the first dance concert during the

spring of 1994, the program has expanded to cater to current demand for modern dance and Isadora Duncan.

Though Dance Troupe encourages students of all levels to take classes, experience highlights the performers and choreography of "Definitions." There really is no limit to Dance Troupe, which revived itself from a half of its predecessor and improved it with a

semianual performance.
The latest entry in the genre of psychological thrillers, Seven, offers viewers the gimpick of a serial killer who masterminds his murders based on the seven deadly sins. Morgan Freeman is the archetypal police detective on the verge of retiring, and Brad Pitt plays his young, idealistic counterpart. Together, they must join forces to outsmart the criminal.

The film is filled with darkness, and it employs this effect to represent the moralistic undercurrents of the movie. However, this theme fades to a mere afterthought in the wake of a murky plot. Once again, the locale is New York City, and Murphy's character, Maximillian, searches for Rita Veder (Angela Bassett), and NYPD detective Mace (Angela Bassett) tries to get him out of the business. In the meantime, tempers flare surrounding the murder of a rap star, and two renegade L.A. cops emerge who each make Mark Fuhrman look like a choirboy. Soon, it's up to Lenny and Mac to solve a mystery surrounding bizarre murders of Lenny's acquaintances — before Lenny gets killed himself. Add Juliette Lewis as Lenny's ex-flame, new turned minor rock star, and you have a jumble of good visual ideas that don't really come together in James Cameron's convoluted story (whose social commentary seems half-assed compared to the simplicity of The Terminator or Aliens). Bassett is striking in her strong, neo-feminine pose, but Fiennes (who saw this film as a legitimate star vehicle) simply doesn't have the star quality that his sinzy, heroic role demands. On top of everything, director Kathryn Bigelow (Point Break) builds everything to a fever pitch at the film's climax, but is finally unable to resolve it with a believable ending. —SD. Sony Cinema 37.

*** To Die For
Nicole Kidman stars in the role of her life: a beautiful and ambitious woman who is willing to step over (or on) anyone to reach her dream of getting on television. This includes her husband, who she has killed by a high school student that she is romancing for just this reason. The story is incredibly well told, given in the form of interviews with each of the major character. This allows us to get into the heads of each of characters, who are all very interesting. One of the year's best films. —Daniel Ramirez. Sony Copley Place.

** Vampire in Brooklyn
Eddie Murphy's latest vehicle as a ruthless member of the Nosferatu in Coming to America mode mainly falls flat. Once again, the locale is New York City, and Murphy's character, Maximillian, searches for Rita Veder (Angela Bassett), and NYPD detective unaware of the couple's unique blood bond. As part of his quest, he takes on a sidekick (Kadeem Hardison) to be his loyal ghoul. Though the supporting performances are fine, both Murphy and director Wes Craven seem unsure how to deal with the material — a humorous horror film or a violent comedy. In particular, Murphy's attempt to mimic former cohort Arsenio Hall (as a preacher from Coming to America) is woefully unsuccessful. If Murphy wants to break out of his box office slump, he's got to be more original than this. —DR. Sony Cinema 37.

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Dean's Office Seeks to Restrict Outside Student Group Accounts

By Philip Reich

The recent attention paid to the Dean's Office to student activities with external financial accounts has come as an unwelcome surprise to many student groups.

The Office of the Dean for Undergraduate Education and Student Affairs and the Office of Residence and Campus Activities have begun to enforce a rule that restricts student groups from maintaining bank accounts outside the Institute's accounting system.

The rule was instituted in 1989. Last year, Associate Dean for Residence and Campus Activities Susan B. Allen began to focus more attention toward stricter monitoring of the issue.

Tightening existing policy

"The issue of the outside bank accounts is not a new one. We have been working on enforcing the existing policy for the past several years. I am not sure why some groups think that the crackdown is recent or that the policy is a new one," Allen said.

"I am not sure I would describe it as a cracking down so much as requesting compliance with existing policy," said Richard L. Brewer, an administrator in the Office of the Dean for Undergraduate Education and Student Affairs.

"With improvements in the level of service offered by the student activities accounting system, this is a natural extension of student activity personnel giving more time and attention to student activity accounts," Brewer said.

Groups which rely solely on outside accounts are being more closely monitored, he said.

"Currently, only groups that are under RCA's supervision are being affected. This means that some of the larger groups like The Tech and Lecture Series Committee, which are under control of the Campus Activities Complex, will not be targeted," said Doug Wyatt, president of the MIT Science Fiction Society that it has been working fine so far," Wyatt said.

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"It looks like they may be open to some change," he added.

MIT accounts less convenient

"The main issue now lies in finding a solution to the current problem," said Brewer. "Student organizations have outside bank accounts for convenience," said Brewer. They do not want to get rid of them and sacrifice the accessibility they the accounts provide.

"The current MIT system has many problems. I understand it can take up to three weeks to get access to an account held by MIT," Hooker said. The extended period of time would make it difficult to organize and coordinate events, he said.

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"The Comptroller's Accounting Office system demands a certain level of accountability," Brewer said. But the student activities accounting system, which is set up by the Dean's Office and RCA's tries to find a middle ground between convenience and restriction.

"Their accounts are harder to access than an outside checking account but do not involve the same high level of accountability as the COO, Brewer said.

ASA, Dean's Office hold meetings

Neither the Dean's Office nor ASA seem pleased with the current state of events concerning the issue.

Several meetings have been scheduled for this week and next to discuss recent policy.

ASA is working to change the current policy in favor of one more agreeable to both sides.

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Random Residents Want Dorm Repairs

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isible, safe, and reasonable place to live” while it remains MIT-hous-

Random will be here for “at least ten years,” Patton said. Other

spots for future undergraduate housing are currently being sought, Patton said.

Several housing and related officials attended the meeting, includ-

inglabochnik, Patton, Director of Physical Plant Victoria V. Sikorski, Associate Director of Housing and Food Services Kenneth R. Witen-

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Pipe Shop Supervisor John C. Narcotta, Associate Dean for Resi-

dence and Campus Activities Andrew M. Eisenmann ’75, and Ran-

dom Hall House Manager Linda A. Petrella.

Residents say dorm needs repairs

“Now that we have the attention of housing authorities,” residents

want the administration to present the dorm “with some sort of plan
to fix and bring up to code what needs attention,” Gasiol said. Resi-

dents also want the repairmen sent to do the job to be “familiar with the
dorm,” Gasiol said.

Representatives of both Physical Plant and the Housing Office

responded to those requests. In working with the dormitory’s resi-
dents, we realize we will be “dealing with people sensitized to the
place,” Sivani said. “We are committed to fix all the problems,” and not “just do
patchwork,” Patton said.

Radiation Ingestion Inquiry Continues

Radiation, from Page 1

made to ensure that laboratories are

served during off hours, he said. The NRC has reported evidence of

security breaches such as doors

locked on evenings and weekends.

These violations were unnoticed by Radiation Protection Office audi-

tors, who visit only during normal

business hours, Massa said.

NRC continues its investigation

The Radiation Office has closed its investigation, but the NRC has

dispatched an Incident Investigation Team to determine whether the inci-
dent was deliberate or accidental. The team was formed after initial

information suggested the poisoning may have been intention-

al.

Over the two months since the incident was reported, the Radiation

Office has worked in conjunction

with a physician from Harvard Medical School to determine the actual amount of radioactive mater-

ial that Li ingested. Data gathered by the

Radiation Office along with urine samples have been submitted to

Oak Ridge National Laboratory and Lawrence Livermore National

Laboratory for further analysis.

Massa said that he expects the data gathered by the Radiation

Office to be proven accurate and properly measured by the outside laboratories.

These too small for effects

The Washington Post reported in an Oct. 26 article that a source

with detailed knowledge of the case said Li has complained of “worsening

and aches and pains.”

But according to Massa, Li did

not suffer any symptoms from his radiation exposure. Instead, Massa

believes that reports of minor dis-

comfort resulted from Li’s stress

after the finding.

“[Li] has complained about

aches and pains, but I would not

think for a minute that has anything to do with radiation exposure,”

Massa said.

The allowable limits of radiation exposure were set so that no symp-

toms would result from levels within

the limits, Massa said.

Li was found to have ingested

379 microcuries. The annual and

single-event limit is 600.

Since Li was very close to the limit, he was advised to take time

off for recuperation. He is not

presently working in the laboratory.

Li declined an interview with

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RCA seeks information

On Monday, Associate Dean of Residence and Campus Activities Margaret A. Jablonski began tracking down leads about Deonanan’s whereabouts. Jablonski asked anyone with any information about Deonanan’s whereabouts to contact her office. “We are still trying to follow whatever information students provide,” she said. In particular, Jablonski is interested in finding “when was the last time students saw him.”

“Some students have come forward with a couple of ideas about where Deonanan is,” she said. “In most cases people who disappear reappear after one to three weeks,” she added.

On Tuesday, EECS Administrator Anne M. Hunter notified all Course VI undergraduates about Deonanan’s disappearance. In an electronic mail message, Hunter asked for information about Deonanan’s whereabouts and the names of his friends or any activities he participated in. The responses to Hunter’s e-mail message returned “nothing that we weren’t already aware of,” Jablonski said.

Jablonski said. Stacey E. Bliss contributed to the reporting in this story.

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By James W. Berry

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The men’s team must now put the near-upset behind them, as they travel to the NCAA Qualifier on the following Saturday in LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

By Melissa N. Ronge

The men’s soccer team ended its season with a bang. winning four out of their first five games, posting convincing wins against Nichols and Trinity (Texas). As the season progressed, MIT dominated with many quality scoring chances, but was unable to capitalize. Early in the second overtime, Gordon scored what looked like the winning goal, but the Engineers kept fighting. Andrew J. Villelaquin ’97 put a shot in from Charlotte Danielian ’97 late in the game to tie it.

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In the final minutes, MIT had more scoring opportunities but was unable to capitalize. The game ended with the score 3-3.

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