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**Public input asked in DNA research**

By Mark James

"The public must be allowed to have a greater voice in decision-making on scientific research," said speakers at a teach-in on gene experimentation by the Social Action Coordinating Committee (SACC) and Science for the People, an organization that has supported the Cambridge moratorium on the more hazardous types of recombinant DNA research.

Robert Park, a member of Science for the People who spoke on the politics of this DNA research, said, "We believe that ordinary working people can make skilful scientific judgments."

He said that people should look at the "past record of promises of new technology" to see if claims of benefits and safety by researchers could be relied upon.

Gene experimentation, or recombinant DNA research, involves the insertion of segments of DNA from one organism into another cell, usually E. coli. The DNA has then been incorporated into the genetic material of the host, resulting in an organism with possible different properties than any that may normally habit the host. For example, an organism with possible different properties than any that may normally habit the host. For example, an organism with possible different properties than any that may normally habit the host.

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**IN THE NEWS**

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**UPDATE**

MIT, Harvard, and the City of Cambridge have verbally agreed to extend the 3-month-old moratorium on recombinant DNA research beyond its original expiration date of Oct. 7. Daniel J. Hayes, chairman of the Cambridge Laboratory Experimentation Review Board told The Tech. The moratorium must still be formally extended by the Cambridge City Council, but Hayes expects that there will be "no problem" in getting the Council approval.

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Practical skills are taught at MIT

By Hillary Lust

A practical, as well as theoretical, educational education is available at MIT. The theoretical instruction can be found in many MIT classrooms, but the practical instruction can only be found at the Lowell Institute School, which is housed on the MIT campus.

The Lowell School offers practical courses in areas of modern technology, such as high-speed photography, television systems technology, basic scientific glassblowing, electronics technology, and mechanical drafting.

"The curriculum stresses hands-on experiences," says Bruce D. Wedlock, Director of the Lowell Institute School. "We use MIT's special facilities to teach practical courses, designed for the technician.

There are 230 students enrolled for the fall term at the school. Approximately twelve of these are also MIT students. Most of the 18 instructors are either MIT faculty or graduate students, according to Wedlock.

The Lowell Institute School is only one of a number of programs sponsored by the Lowell Institute, a non-profit, philanthropical foundation. In addition to partially funding the Lowell Institute School, the Lowell Institute also sponsors several lecture series and other educational programs in the Boston area.

This fall, the Institute is sponsoring a series of ten lectures at the New England Aquarium on "Fish and Men." It is also sponsoring two lectures at Boston University School of Theology and is underwriting various science programs and lectures under the auspices of the Museum of Science.

The Lowell Institute partially sponsors the Harvard-University Commission on Extension Courses, which offers evening classes at Harvard.

The Lowell Institute Cooperative Broadcasting Council - composed of the Lowell Institute, MIT, Harvard University, Wellesley College, Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of Science, and other organizations - helps to support three non-commercial educational television stations and one non-commercial radio station, with donations. The stations are WGBH-TV, Channel 2, Boston; WGBX-TV, Boston; WGBY-TV, Springfield; and WGBH-FM.

The Lowell Institute of Boston was started in the mid-1960's, with a bequest from John Lowell. He left money to fund free public lectures for the residents of the Boston area. In the early years of the Institute, pre-eminent speakers gave frequent lectures at the Institute. In 1901, A. Lawrence Lowell, then the Trustee of the Lowell Institute and President of Harvard, and MIT's President Pritchett expanded the Institute's programs to include courses because they felt technical workers should have the opportunity for further education.

Pritchett gave Lowell Institute basic facilities, such as classrooms and equipment, at MIT, and Lowell funded the rest of the program. They called the school the Lowell Institute School and began two-year technical programs, one mechanical and one electrical.

The courses were intended for practicing technicians and not at night.

In the late 1960's, the two-year programs began to diminish in popularity. The two-year mechanical and electrical programs were ended in 1967. In 1972, the Lowell Institute School became an official part of MIT. At present, the Lowell Institute School is funded almost equally by MIT, Lowell Institute, and the tuition and fees of students.
Police Blotter

Intruders

Two students studying in the Hayden Library Wednesday after-
noon suffered the loss of their wallets to an unknown thief or
thieves. In both cases the women were sitting at tables with
their handbags hung on the back of their chairs. They discovered
the wallets missing as they made ready to leave. Both lost ID’s and
other personal papers. One lost about $15 cash; the other lost
$100.

Over the weekend thefts were some nine
pieces, including a three foot high
Orange sapling.

Library thief nets wallets

Two new cars stolen

Two brand new cars, one a ’76 Pontiac, the other a ’76 Buick,
were stolen from the area within
the past week. The former was
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the MIT campus each week.

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past resulted in assaults upon
members of the community. It is
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provide a good description of an
intruder and the direction of flight
— then notify the Campus Patrol
immediately.

Along the same lines, whenever
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entering dormitories, offices, labs,
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The Tech: A BAILLARER DEFECTED... NOW IS A BIG PLAY... WHAT NEXT?

To the Editor:

I write in response to the letter by Frederick M. Rust 77 which appeared in last Friday’s Tech (9/17/76) and in general to try to clarify SACC’s position, as I see it, to the SAC (the Social Action Coordinating Committee).

I hope that no one who did not attend the ASA hearing might share opinions of Mr. Rust. The reporting by the campus media of the arguments made by LSC and SACC has been very shallow. Also, in a flip between David and a, Goliath, it is only human nature to side with “the little guy.” But I think that the decision reached unanimously by the five ASA Executive Committee members shows that LSC’s position is quite sound.

Rust made two erroneous statements concerning film industry practices and “monopoly.” He claimed that LSC could try exclusive showing rights to films from distributors. This is com-

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Speaker advocates bottle bill

By Paul Ven

A concerted effort will be needed to overcome bottle manufacturers' opposition to the Massachusetts Bottle Bill, a consumer advocate stressed in a talk this week.

"Manufacturers from all over the country have already poured half a million dollars into Massachusetts to defeat the bill which would require every beverage container, including flip-top cans, to have a refund value of at least five cents," consumer advocate Norman Stein said.

At a meeting of the local Sierra Club, Stein urged members to vote "yes" on question six of the November ballot.

Stein, who is associated with the Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group (PIRG), stated that the Can Manufacturers Institute, Anheuser-Busch, Pepsi-Cola of New York, and the Glass Container Corporation of California have all contributed money to defeat the bill.

"In all, 39 corporations were listed as giving money to defeat the bottle question," Stein said.

"The use of throwaway containers escalated 488 per cent from 1955 to 1972, and now amounts to some 60 trillion bottles and cans per year," Stein said.

"This, besides being unnecessary waste of materials, also poses great hazards to the environment," Stein added.

"Massachusetts spends $3.5 million each year just on the clean-up and these are passed on to the consumer through taxes," he said.

A study by the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston indicated the passage of the bill would cause a net gain of 187 to 1380 jobs in Massachusetts as well as decreasing the price of beverage slightly, according to Stein.

"It would also reverse the centralization of the beer industry, making local breweries more competitive with respect to the giants," Stein added.

Stein stated that "In Oregon and Vermont where similar proposals have been passed, total litter has declined 35 per cent.

"Energy savings are also effected," he added. "For example, in Oregon, 1,400 billion BTUs were saved with a value of $2.8 million."
Third world needs knowledge

By Stephen C. Uman

To real transfer of technology to underdeveloped countries pre-
sumably as an administrative or an engineering problem is dis-
ness for the continent. Larry D. Spence, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Pennsylvania State University, told an audience at a Technology Studies Seminar Wednesday night.

Spence, self-described as a "skeptic" and "pessimist," said that a new discipline, "the politics of technology," is needed, emphasizing the need to understand the expertise of Western industries and to learn to adapt to the needs of Third World countries.

The technological fix, he said, is a solution that Western technology is not always capable of fulfilling. This, claims Spence, is the West's "technocratic" view of the world's problems. He argues that the Third World can hardly cope with Western technology, since the West has already taken practical steps to deal with its own problems.

"The Third World can hardly cope with Western technology," Spence said. "We must adapt our technology to the needs of the Third World countries."
Review
The Front not Happy Days

By Katy Cropp

The Front, starring Andy Allen, Zero Mostel, and Andrea Marcovicci; directed and produced by Martin Ritt; written by Dave Grubin.

The persecution of innocent citizens for alleged Communist sympathies by Sen. Joseph McCarthy and the House Un-American Activities Committee remains one of the country's darkest hours. Scientists were discredited and their opulence being produced and consumed here, interspersed with scenes from the Korean War front, accompanied by Frank Sinatra singing. Whatever sign you are, we’ve got good news for you!

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Soccer Crushes Clark

By John Hengelword

The MIT varsity soccer team opened its season last Wednesday with an impressive win over Clark University by a score of 7-0. Sophomore Robert Carriere scored three goals to pace the team attack.

After MIT had scored the first goal by a goal by Carriere at 10:42 of the first half, freshman Lloyd Cagan was down to tying the game. Carriere tallied again a few moments later when the Engineers a 2-0 lead at the half. A strong defense led by team captain Frieder Klepp '79 and fullback Dave Felt '77 allowed a total of only two Clark shots on goal in the first half.

Cagan got MIT off and running in the second half with an unassisted goal at 3:17, giving him a total of one goal and two assists in his first game for MIT. Coach Walter Alesi said, "Lost is the most pleasant surprise of the season."

Klepp's 79 added his foot to the act with a goal at 10:37 of the second half, and Carriere completed his "hat trick" at 29:29 with a brilliant unassisted goal. The final score of 7-0 and Phil Maclellan '77 also tallied for MIT.

Overall, the Engineers outshot their opponents 26-9. Coach Alesi said that the entire team did an exceptional job both offensively and defensively: "Everyone that went in the game did their job. If we get that kind of team effort, the season will be very bright."

The big test of the season will be tomorrow's match against Division III national champion Babson. Babson is currently ranked number one in small college soccer, but Alesi believes that with a good effort MIT will be in the game all the way. Kickoff is at 2 pm at Briggs Field.

Tennis smashes Clark, 7-2

By Gary S. Engelston

The men's varsity tennis season got under way Tuesday with a win over Clark University. A strong defense that squared stepped onto the courts to bring in a 7-2 victory.

Until Tuesday, the tennis team appeared to be in for a difficult season, but MIT showed the benefits of experience. Last year's team was unable to defeat Clark, but the experience gained enabled the Engineers to win this year. Coach Earl P. Wilson says that "there should have a better season" because of the increasing strength of such players as Reid Shaffel '78 and Neal Rockowitz '78. Shaffel and Rockowitz beat their opponents by wide margins. Shaffel, playing 11th singles, won in straight sets 6-4, 6-0. While Rockowitz, in the second singles slot, took his man 6-2, 6-0. Peter Moss '77, playing in the first singles position, did not fare as well. He fought hard, keeping his opponent on the verge of trouble most of the time, especially in the first set, in which he lost 6-7. Both players tied visibly before Moss gave up the second set, 6-4.

Moss fixed much better when he moved up for first doubles play with Rockowitz. The pair had trouble coordinating their efforts in the first five games of the first set, but once they settled down to the doubles play, they scored points easily, winning 6-3, 6-0.

The team members hope that their excellent play will win them back the spring training trip south which they used to take every year. If the first half is representative of the coming season, they merit a return to that tradition.

W. Sailors open season; place well in NE regatta

By Chris Donnelly

The women's sailing team opened its season with a fine performance in the New England Singlehanded Championships last weekend. Sailing in home waters, Barbara Bel '77 led the team with an impressive second place in a field of 37 sailors. Sandy Huston '78 was also among the leaders, placing fifth overall.

Bel was in the running for first place throughout the final holding a narrow lead after five races. In the final two races, however, Dierdorf of Tufts overcame a deficit to take the championship. Other finalists from MIT were Dana Healy '78, (118), Allena Connors '78 (136), and Barbara Biber '78 (160). Coach Sue Nelson was pleased with the team's performance, MIT having more finalists than any other school.

The men's team won a Lark Invitational at Tufts last Saturday. The format for the regatta was slightly different — a freshman division was sailed in addition to the normal varsity divisions. Chris Berg '77 and crew Martin Prince '80 topped A-Division on the strength of three firsts in five races. Freshmen John York with crew David Nelson was low point skipper in his division, taking five second places. In B-Division, Bruce Gage '78 with crew Rod Whiteley '80 took second place. The three-division combination earned the sailors first place over finals Tufts and four other schools.

Golfers bow to Northeastern

By Lee Bonnell

Lee Bonnell '77 is a member of the golf team. The MIT golf team's quest for a fourth consecutive winning fall season hit a snag last Monday at the Brae Burn C.C., as the Engineers were soundly beaten by both Northeastern and Merrimack. The score in both matches was 5-0.

It was a frustrating day for the Engineers, as three of the top four players failed to break 80, but the duo of Doris on the three-headed Brae Brave layout. Also, several close matches were lost to both opposing teams. Mark Swanson '78, medalist for MIT with a 71, lost a heartbreaker to Northeastern on the eighteenth hole, when his opponent holied out on an approach with a four wood and a sand wedge. Jaine Dornbusch '78 continued his excellent shortmaking with a fine 82. Unfortunately, this was not quite good enough for a match victory, as Dornbusch lost by one stroke, one-hole margins, one being a "wonder death overdue" defeat on the first extra hole.

On the bright side, individuals matched were won by Mark Hayles '76 and Lee Bonnell '77 against Northeastern, with scores of 82 and 84, respectively. Winners against Merrimack were Swanson and number one player Mike Well.

Of special note has been the steady play of Doug Wegner '79. Wegner had an excellent 82 in Monday's junior varsity match, and a 76 in JV scrimmage last weekend. Coach Jack Jorgensen is expected to move Wegner up to the varsity soon for the Engineers' next match against Boston University next Tuesday.

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by Ralph Nader, Mark Green and Joel Seligman

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