

Dr. Clifford Grobstein elected to Institute of Medicine

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Dr. Clifford Grobstein, professor of biological science and public policy at the University of California, San Diego, is one of 36 new members from throughout the United States elected to the Institute of Medicine.

The new members were elected for their major contributions to health and medicine, or to such related fields as the social and behavioral sciences, law, administration and engineering. Election to the Institute is both an honor and a working commitment. Members pledge to devote time to Institute committees engaged in a broad range of health policy studies.

The Institute of Medicine was chartered in 1970 by the National Academy of Sciences for the examination of policy matters pertaining to the health of the public. Current activities include research into alcohol abuse and national health planning goals and standards.

The active membership in the Institute will total 374 when the new 5-year terms begin January 1, 1980.

Grobstein, a member of the National Academy of Sciences and internationally known for his research in developmental biology, joined the faculty at UC San Diego in 1965 as professor of biology and chairman of the department. He was named Vice Chancellor of Medicine and Biological Sciences and Dean of the new School of Medicine at UC San Diego in 1967.

After directing the school through its first years, Grobstein, in 1973, was appointed Vice Chancellor - University Relations where he supervised activities relating to community, state and federal relations.

He returned to teaching as professor of biological science and public policy in 1977.

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