

Fahey and Fredkin receive grants from Sloan Foundation

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Two faculty members from the San Diego campus of the University of California have been named among 90 young scientists in United States and Canadian universities to receive research grants from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation.

The two are Dr. Robert C. Fahey, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, and Dr. Donald R. Fredkin, Assistant Professor of Physics, who will receive a renewal of an earlier Sloan Foundation grant. The grants, which are effective next September, are for fundamental research in chemistry, mathematics, physics, and interdisciplinary fields such as geochemistry and astrophysics. The awards are, in general, for a two-year period.

A unique feature of the program is that rather than supporting "research projects" the scholars selected are free to choose the scientific problems which they wish to investigate, and they are also free to change or modify their researches.

The current recipients of the grants, selected from the faculties of 49 universities and colleges, have been designated Alfred P. Sloan Fellows. Their average age is 30. Candidates do not apply for Sloan Research Fellowships but are nominated by their department chairman or other scientists familiar with the nominee's researches and potential.

Dr. Fahey, received his B. S. degree at the Berkeley campus of the University of California and his Ph. D. from the University of Chicago in 1963. He joined the faculty at UCSD the same year and has since conducted research in addition reactions to olefins and acetylenes and in nuclear magnetic resonance.

Dr. Fredkin received a B. S. degree from New York University in 1956 and a Ph. D. degree from Princeton University in 1960. His research interests at UCSD include the investigation of properties of materials at very low temperatures.

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