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Exxon research is today's cars by keeping

New fuels and lubricants must anticipate advancing technology and increasing performance demands.

Turbochargers, electronics, advanced transmissions, knock sensors, fuel injectors and other sophisticated devices are being rapidly incorporated into today's automobiles. While they permit more precisely controlled and optimized vehicle operation, they also place greater demands on fuels and lubricants. Keeping ahead of the changing requirements has challenged scientists and engineers at Exxon Research and Engineering Company (ER&E), and their Exxon colleagues at three major affiliated laboratories outside the U.S.

Hotter Engines

Today's engines are smaller. They operate at temperatures some 50° to 75°F hotter than their older V-8 counterparts. Turbocharged engines run even

hotter. Higher temperatures can cause motor oils to oxidize faster, producing sludge and varnish deposits which thicken the oil. This in turn can lead to greater friction and increased engine wear.

In the 1970's, ER&E scientists and engineers discovered an additive technology which resulted in the first fuel-saving motor oil using oil-soluble friction modifiers. Today, they are creating new oils for the hotter engines and subjecting the most promising formulations to grueling tests.

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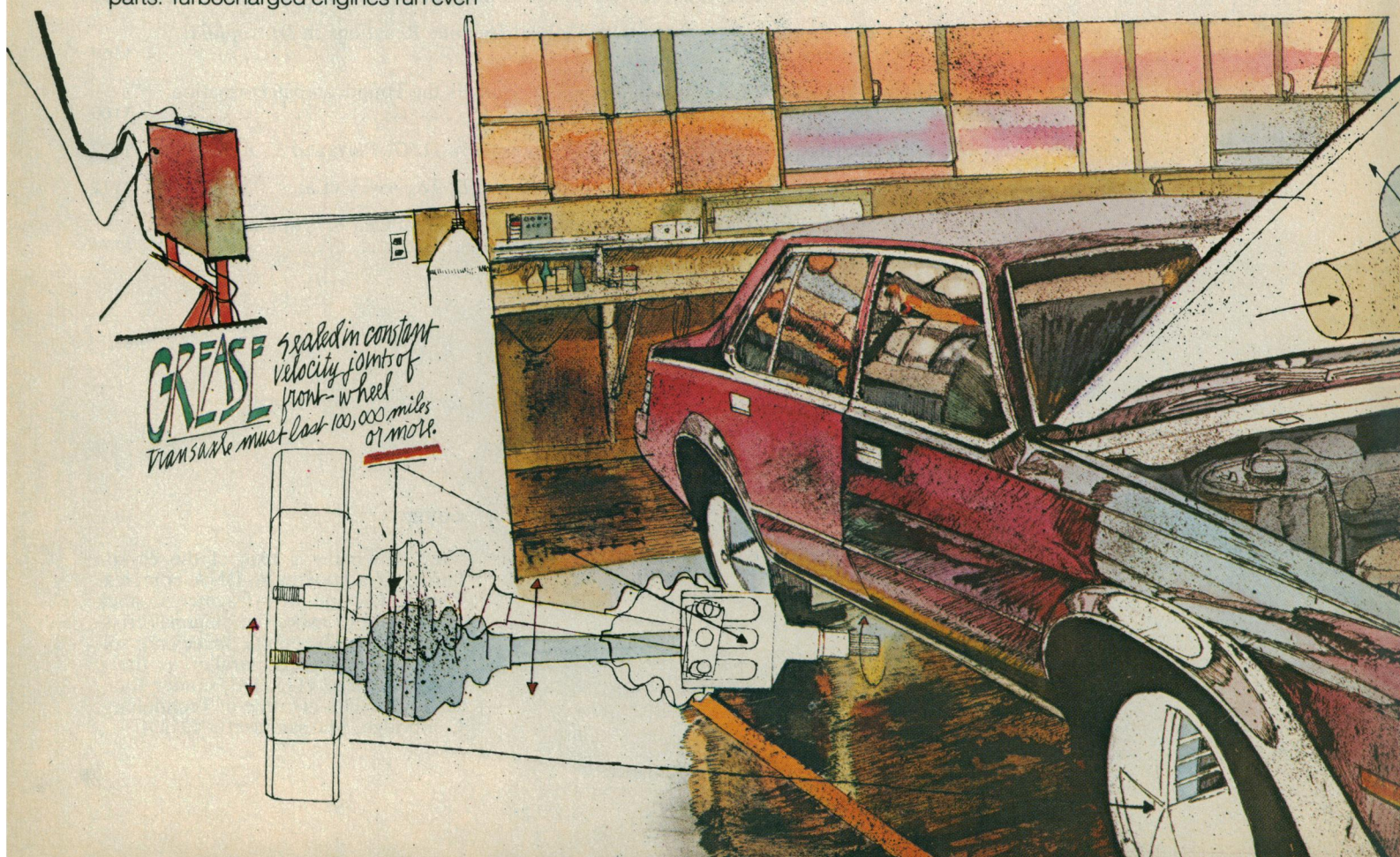
Balancing friction and antiwear properties of an oil is a delicate task. Lower viscosity reduces friction, improves fuel

efficiency and aids startability, but too low viscosity may result in excessive engine wear.

Minimum Oil Film Thickness (MOFT), a patented technique developed at ER&E, electronically measures the protective lubricant film between the bearings and crankshaft of a running engine—sometimes only a fraction of a micron thick. These measurements permit researchers to compare different oil and additive formulations in their search for better wear protection and fuel mileage.

FWD Transaxles

The heat and wear demands of "sealed for life" constant velocity joints in front-wheel transaxles posed other challenges for ER&E scientists in lubricant research. Their response, a lithium-based grease, 5191, can be found in many U.S. front-wheel-drive vehicles,



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even distribution to some cylinders and reduced engine performance. Ongoing work at ER&E is defining the cleanliness needs of these and future systems and, in parallel, developing fuel quality features to meet those requirements.

Improving products for the transportation industry is just one example of the research programs under way at ER&E. A wholly owned subsidiary of Exxon Corporation, ER&E employs more than 2,000 scientists and engineers working on petroleum products and processing, pioneering science and the engineering required to develop and apply new tech-

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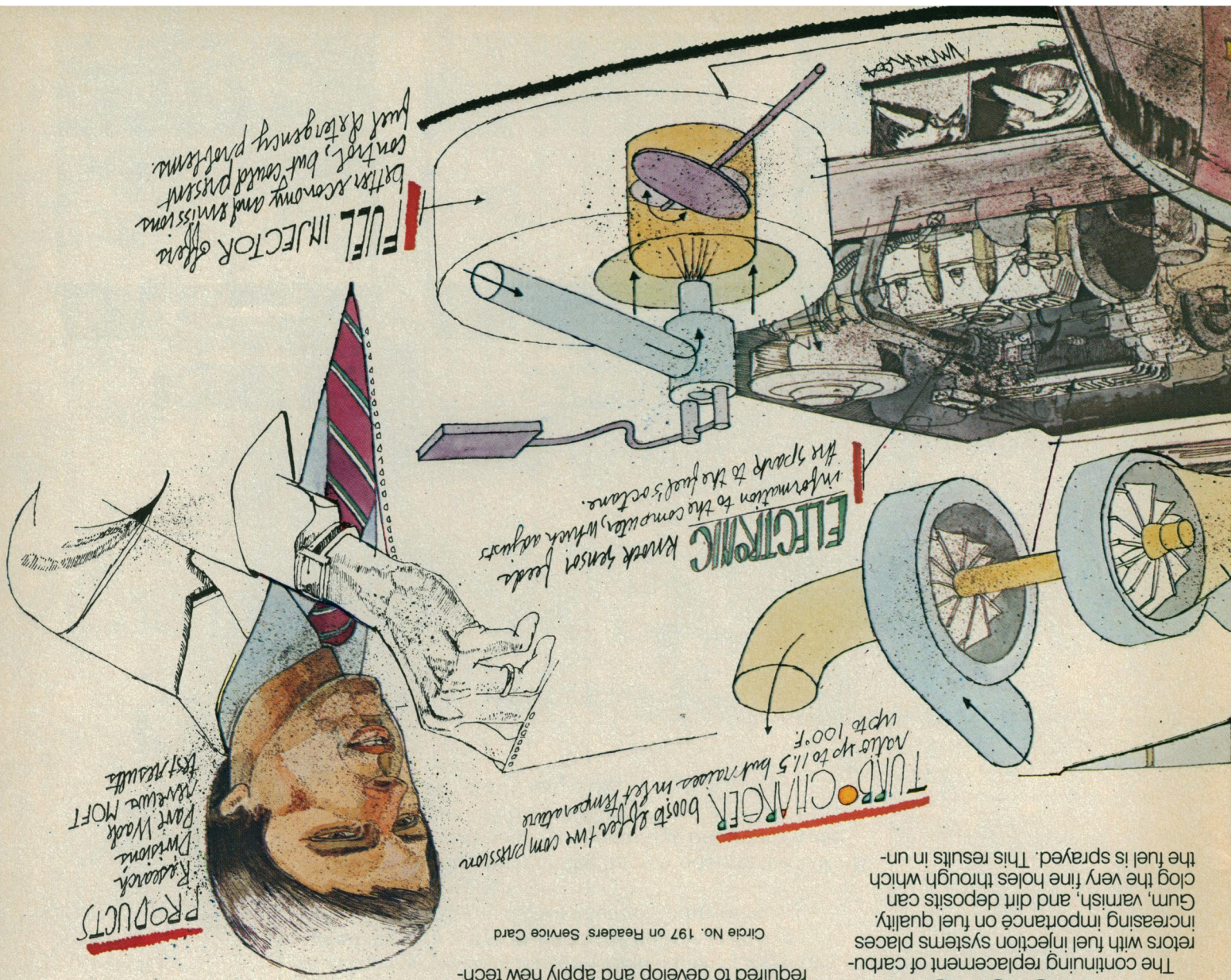
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Improvements to a "super cooler" used with infrared sensors in space will extend the life and boost the efficiency of the device. The cooler, vital to defense applications and geological surveys, is a Vuilleumier cycle cryogenic refrigerator. It is designed to chill sensors near absolute zero to increase their sensitivity to thermal radiation. These coolers are ideal for use in space because the low internal forces required by this kind of cooling cycle cause little wear on bearings and seals. Hughes is working under a U.S. Air Force contract to extend the unattended operating life of the cooler beyond five years. The cooler will use less power, so smaller and fewer batteries will be needed to power the device during eclipse periods—a savings of hundreds of pounds.

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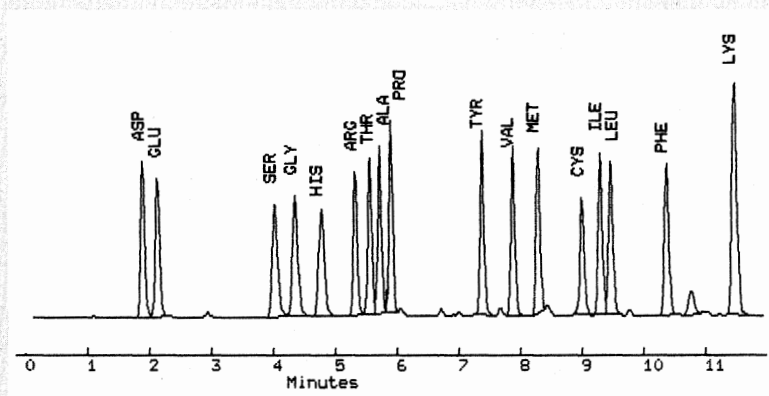
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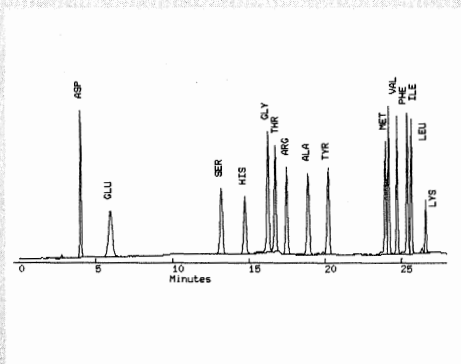
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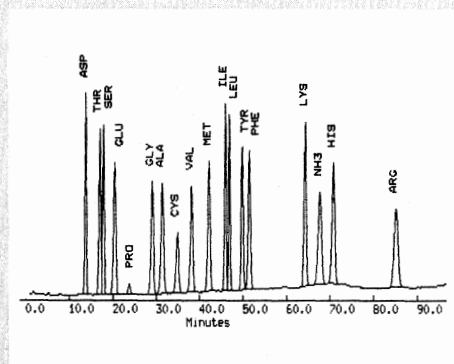


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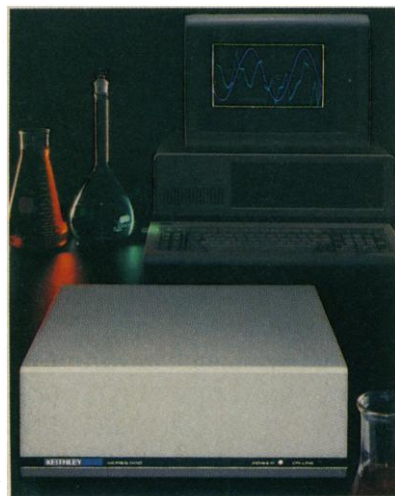
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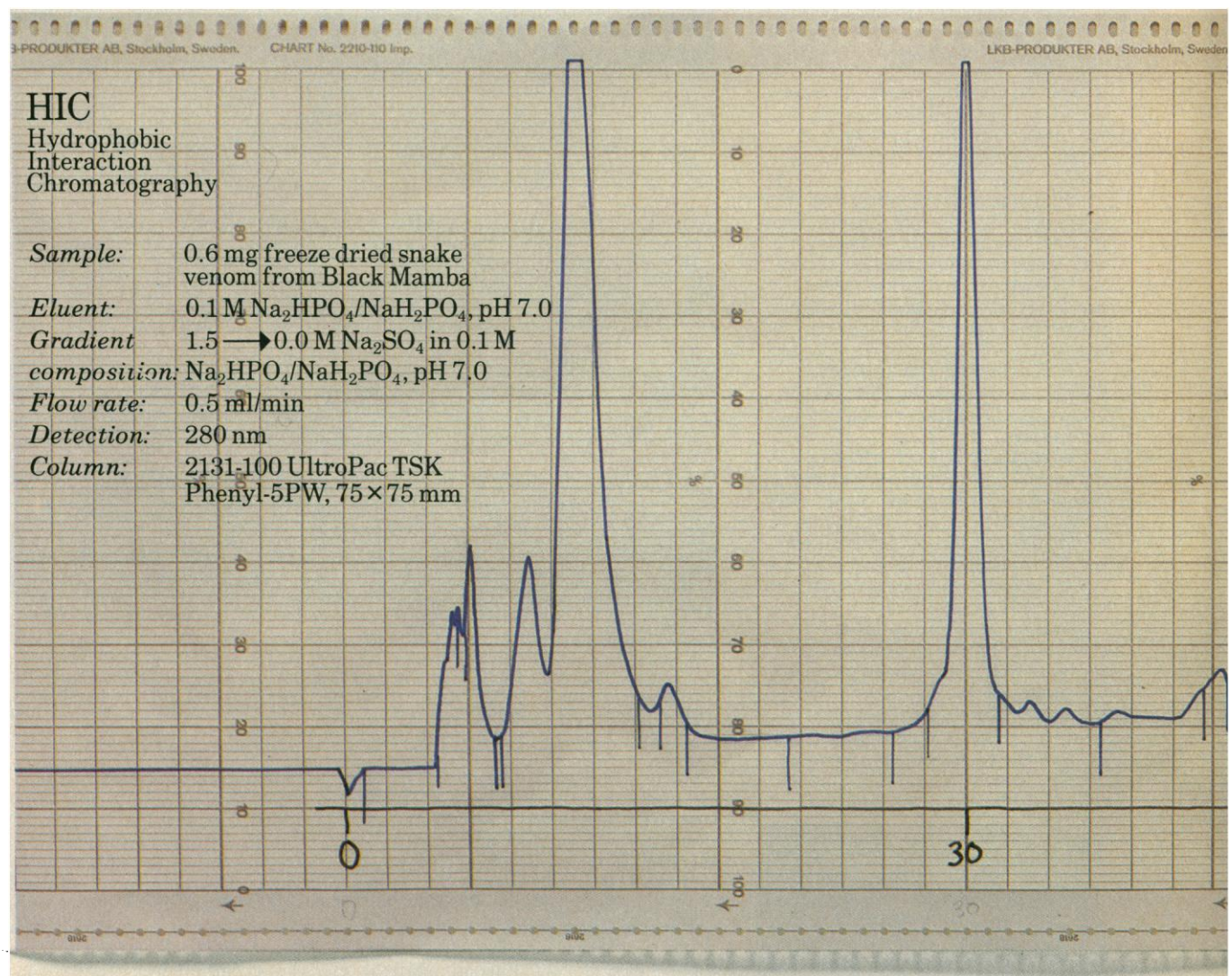
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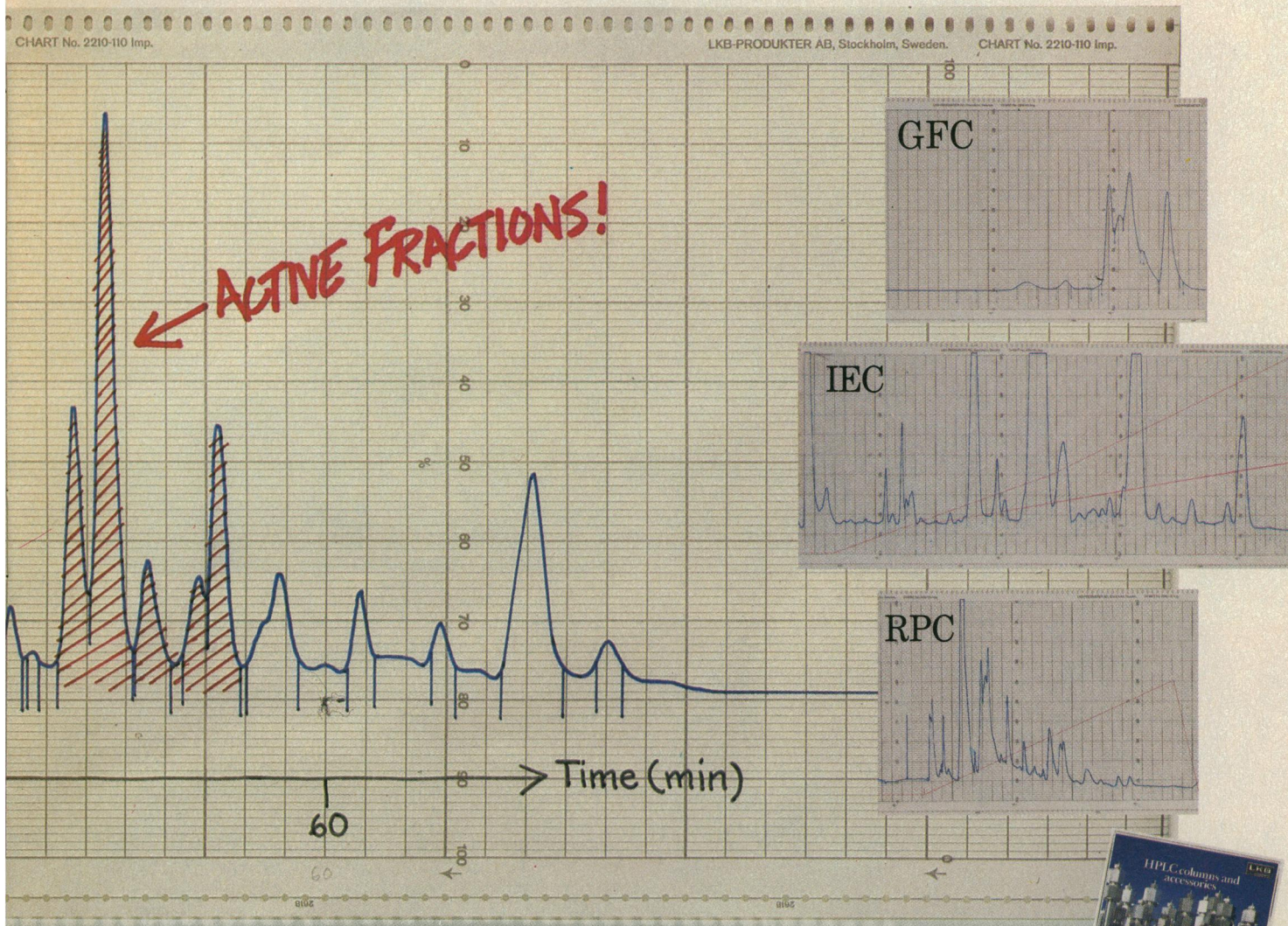
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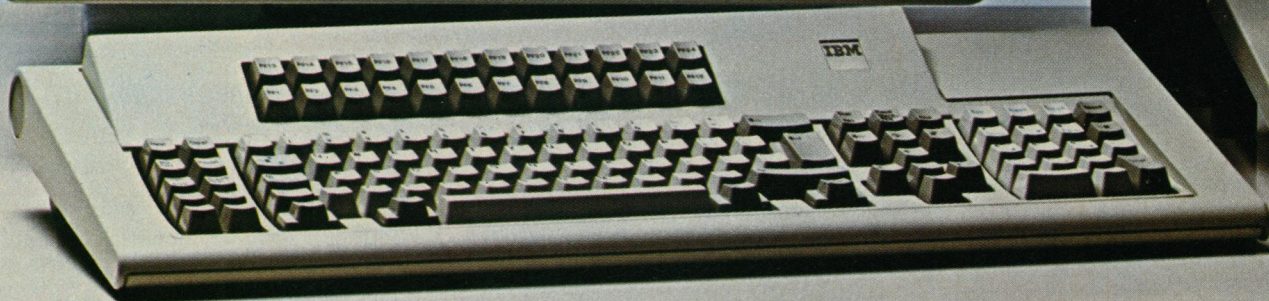
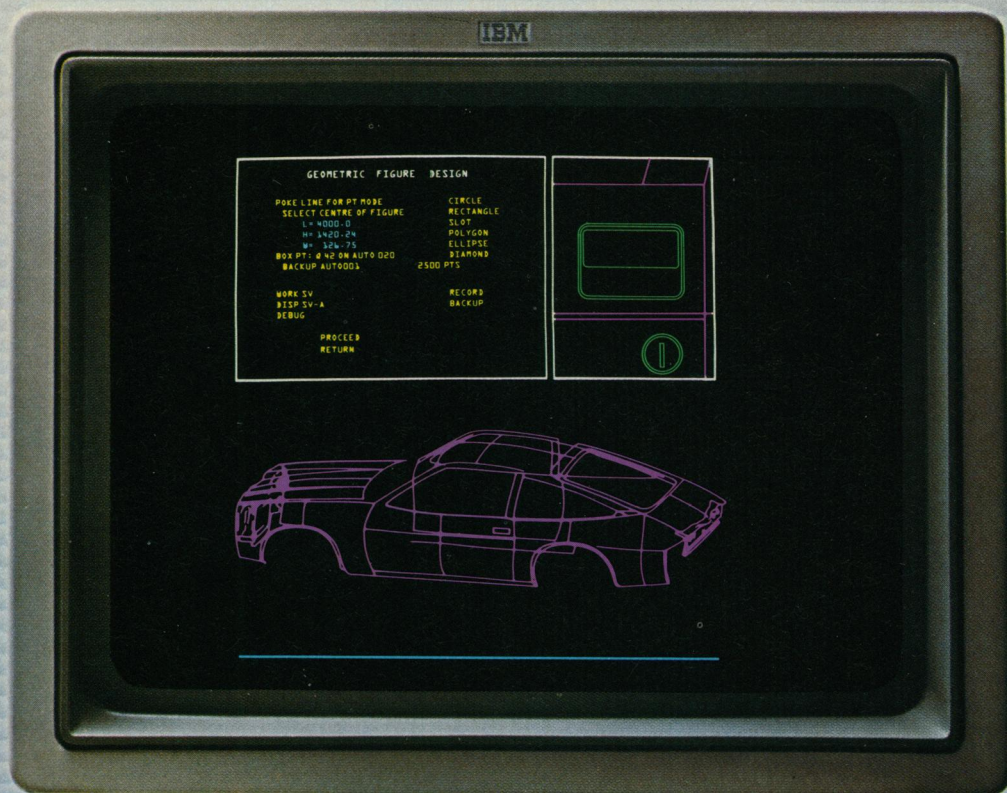
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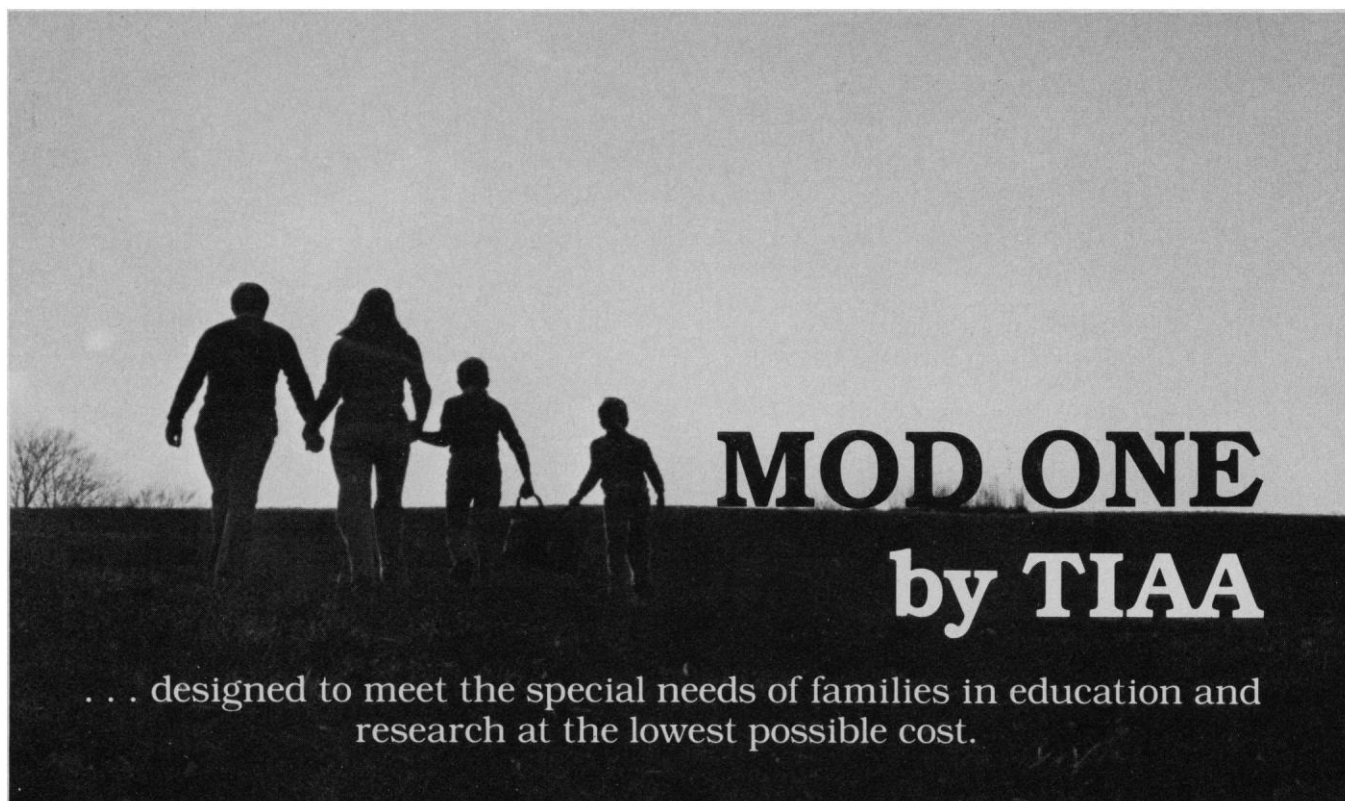
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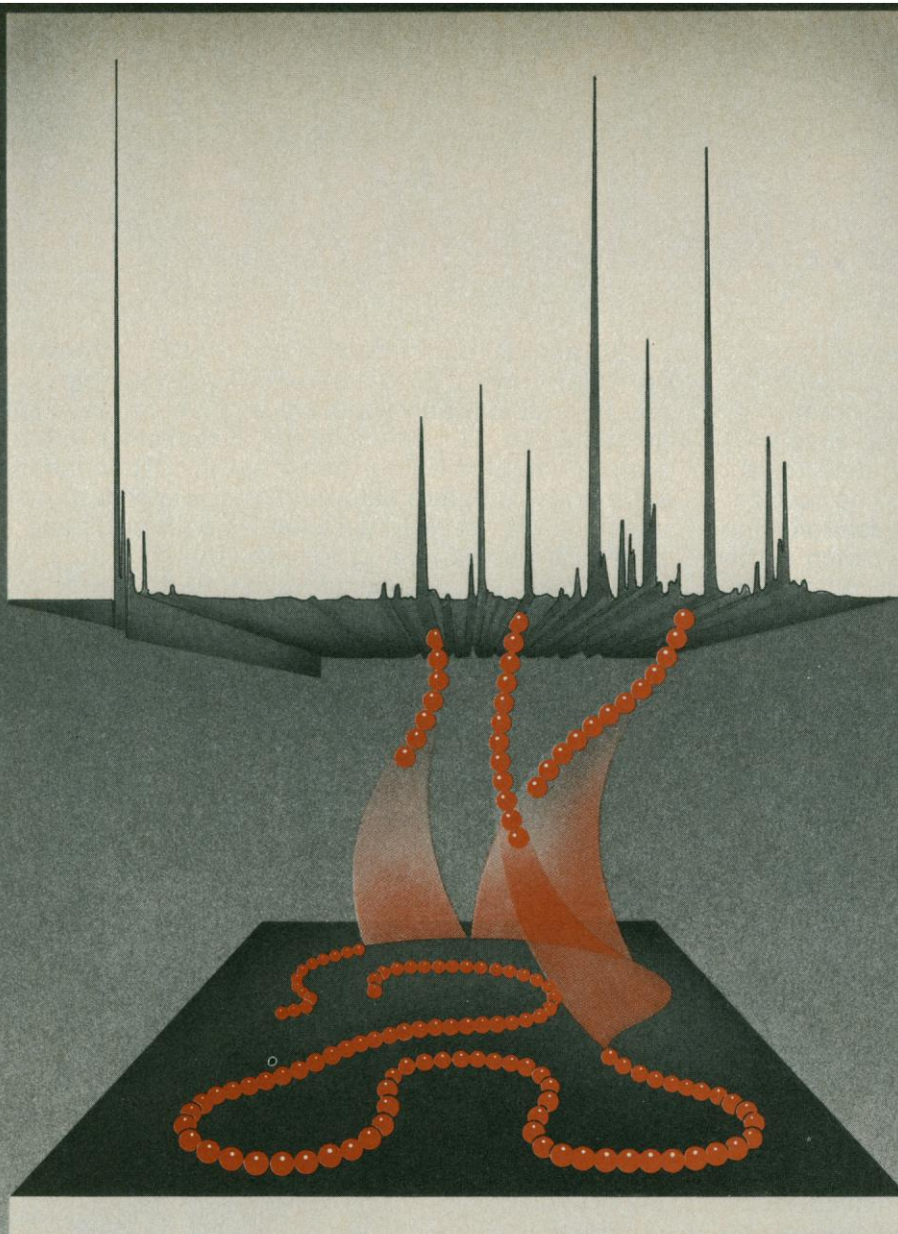
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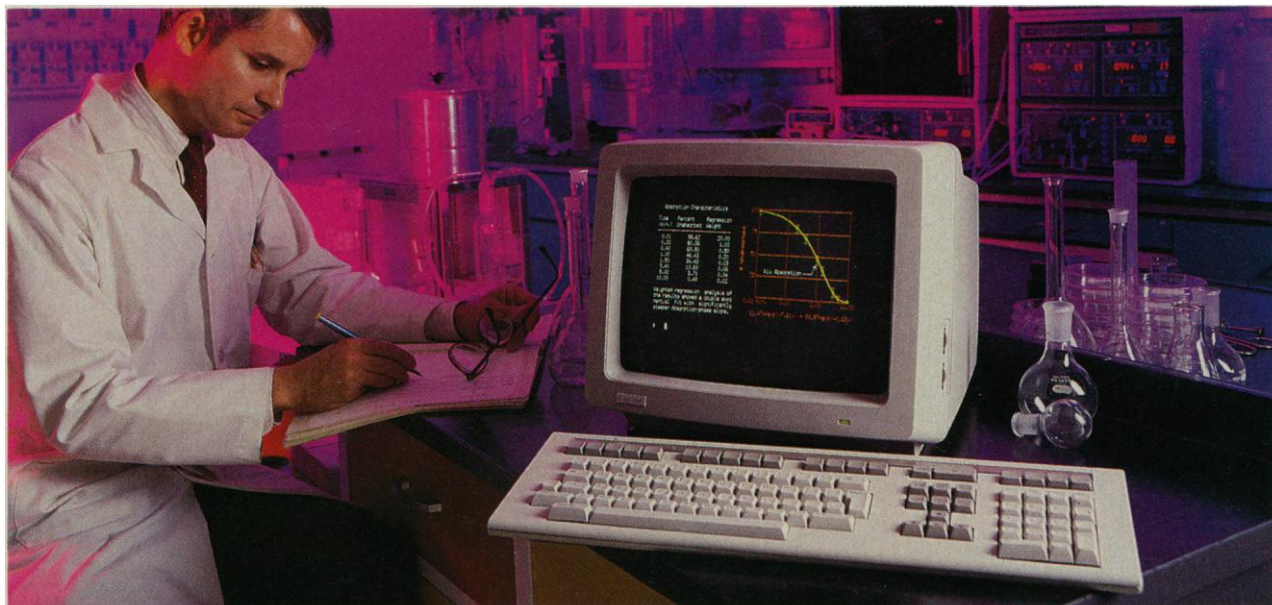
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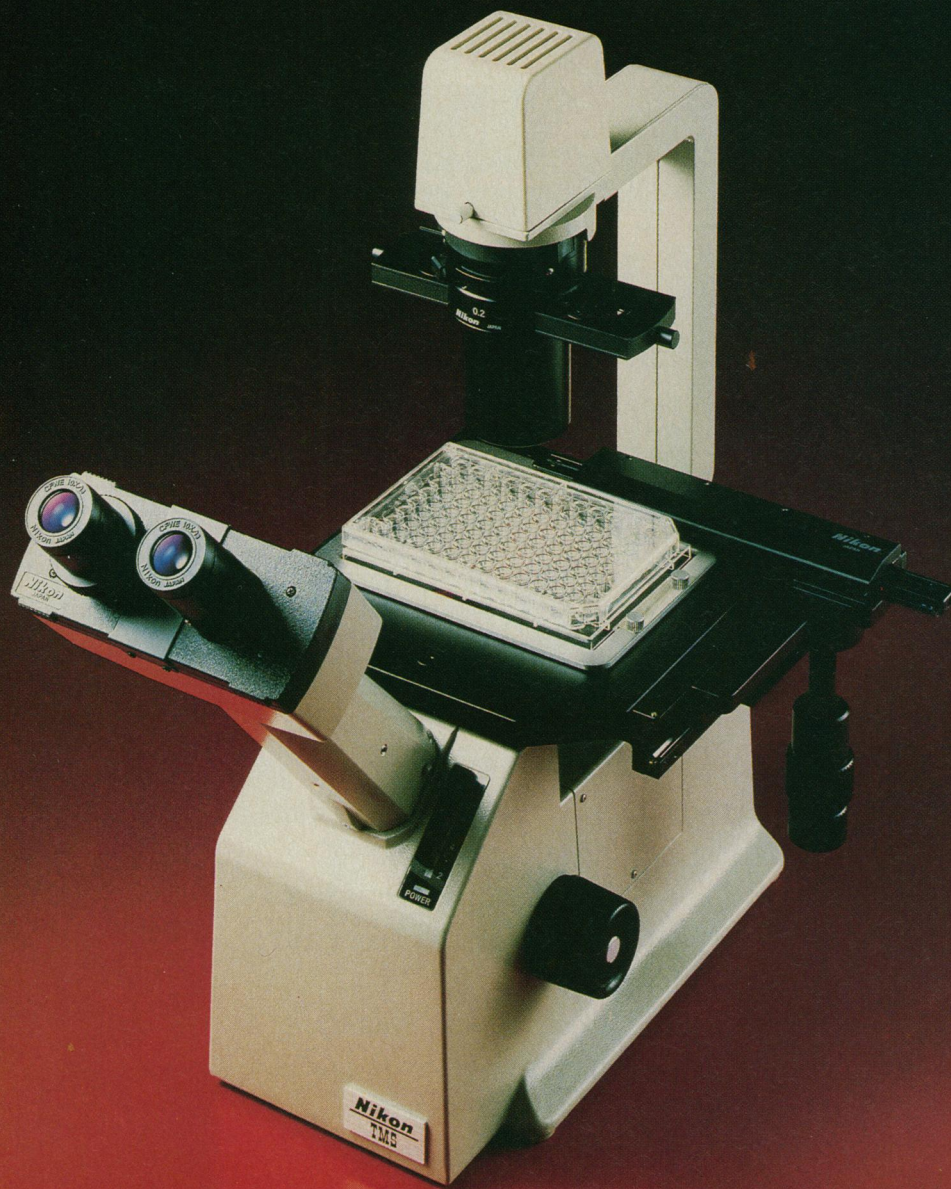
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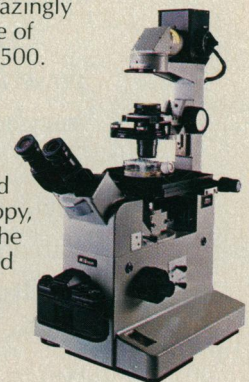
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At the start the organizers agreed on the necessity of good communication. Accordingly, one immediate objective was the creation of a trilingual journal devoted to such topics as energy, tropical agriculture, tropical diseases, and transfer of technology. This goal was achieved with most credit belonging to Marcel Roche, editor, and to the Venezuelan government, which has furnished a large fraction of needed funds. The journal has published excellent material and has appeared on its bimonthly schedule since its first issue in 1976. Circulation of the journal has not reached the levels that its quality deserves. Latin America has been suffering the worst depression in 50 years.

A second major form of communication has been 24 international symposiums organized to address pressing practical problems involving applications of science. In general, the symposium topics have been chosen and participants selected by co-arrangers from the two halves of the hemisphere. Scientists associated with the participating organizations serve as communications nodes for their countries. They are in position to identify and contact qualified talent in their respective countries.

Among some very successful symposiums was one on energy conducted at Guarujá, Brazil, in 1978 and a second on biotechnology held in 1983 in Costa Rica. The sessions on energy, which lasted nearly a week, were attended by about 100 invited participants from 16 countries. The symposium on biotechnology was of great interest to the participants and to their countries. An expert from a leading U.S. biotechnology company has written, "The quality, energy, and enthusiasm of the participants in the symposium were most impressive. My initially skeptical attitude about how much could be accomplished through such a meeting has been transformed into a real conviction that there is a great deal of value which can be accomplished at relatively low cost in developing biotechnology in the Americas. I believe the Interciencia conference will have played a vital role in catalyzing this development."

Attempts to encourage formation of associations for the advancement of science have met with mixed success. On the positive side has been the adherence of Canada, Jamaica, Peru, and the National Research Council of Costa Rica. Efforts begun in several other countries have been delayed by political uncertainties.

The most recent initiative of Interciencia Association is the linking of research institutions in the hemisphere to promote utilization of lesser known trees and plants of promising economic potential. Known as PIRB (Interciencia Biological Resources Program), this is a cooperative venture to uncover new sources of food, energy, chemicals, and materials and will be coordinated from Colombia.

Interciencia Association* has survived during difficult times and has made effective use of limited resources. It has been a catalyst in bringing scientists of the hemisphere together. It has been especially useful in fostering cooperation among Latin American scientists. To achieve greater effectiveness will require the participation of more scientists and obtaining the requisite financial support.—PHILIP H. ABELSON

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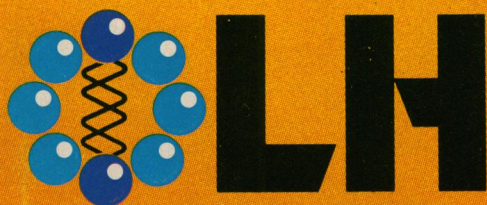
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