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AEC AWARDS UM FOUNDATION \$16,475
FOR CONTINUING BOTANY RESEARCH

The University of Montana Foundation has received a grant of \$16,475 from the Atomic Energy Commission for a one year continuation of a research project concerning the mechanism of photoreaction of plant viruses.

Dr. Meyer Chessin, professor of botany at the University, will continue the project he has directed for the past year. He is assisted by Dr. A. K. Mukherjee, a visiting scientist from New Delhi, India. Dr. Mukherjee is a plant virologist in the Indian Agricultural Research Institute.

The researchers are studying the ability of visible light to counteract the damaging action of ultraviolet rays.