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MISSOULA--

Dr. Carl Larson, director of the Stella Duncan Laboratories at the University of Montana, has been awarded a \$60,384 grant by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare for continued studies on tuberculosis and related diseases, according to Dr. Fred Honkala, UM director of research.

The grant, which covers the period from March 1, 1968, through February, 1969, was recommended by the National Advisory Council on Allergy and Infectious Diseases. Partially funded by the University, it covers all project costs.

Assisting in the study will be Dr. M.E. Magar, assistant professor in the Department of Chemistry at UM, who has been working previously with Dr. Larson.

The study is attempting to find a preventative vaccine for tuberculosis. Experiments with rabbits, guinea pigs and mice involve recognizing and working with tuberculosis and other bacilli of the same type. Three million deaths, largely in underdeveloped nations, are attributed annually to tuberculosis.

Dr. Larson has been in charge of the Stella Duncan Memorial Research Laboratory at UM in Missoula since 1962. Previous to this, he headed the Rocky Mountain Laboratory at Hamilton from 1950 to 1961, and has worked 23 years with the U.S. Public Health Service. He has been conducting tuberculosis studies since 1955, and has worked under numerous grants. He was recently named to Pi Kappa Alpha's "Committee of 100," composed of men nationally prominent in areas of education, business and government.