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## Celebrating the Shared Legacy of Beckman and Gray

In November 2015, Caltech marked both the 25th anniversary of the Beckman Institute and the 80th birthday of chemist Harry Gray with a two-day "Invention and Imagination in the Molecular Sciences" symposium. Gray and the late Arnold Beckman (PhD '28), former Caltech professor and chairman emeritus of the Caltech board of trustees, began a close working relationship in the late 1960s, when Gray arrived at Caltech. Beckman (left) congratulates Harry Gray on becoming the first Arnold O. Beckman Professor of Chemistry in 1981. Gray is also the founding director of the Beckman Institute, a multidisciplinary center for research in the chemical and biological sciences that was dedicated in 1989 with funds from the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation.