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A new institute was created Tuesday at the University of Cincinnati through a merger of the Institute of Space Science and Institute of Engineering and Medicine. The institute has not been named.

Dr. Ronald L. Huston, who has been Director of the Space Sciences Institute will be Director and Professor Neil Armstrong will be Associate Director of the new institute. Armstrong has been Director of the Institute of Engineering and Medicine.

The UC Board of Trustees approved the action.

The Institute of Space Sciences was established to stimulate and encourage research in fields related to the space sciences. Its first director was Dr. Paul Herget, Director of the University Observatory.

The Institute of Engineering and Medicine was established in 1975 with the objective of seeking external research funds for the support of collaborative research programs involving faculty and students from engineering and medicine.

The merger was suggested to bring about administrative efficiencies, to provide a broader base for research and for long-range economies.