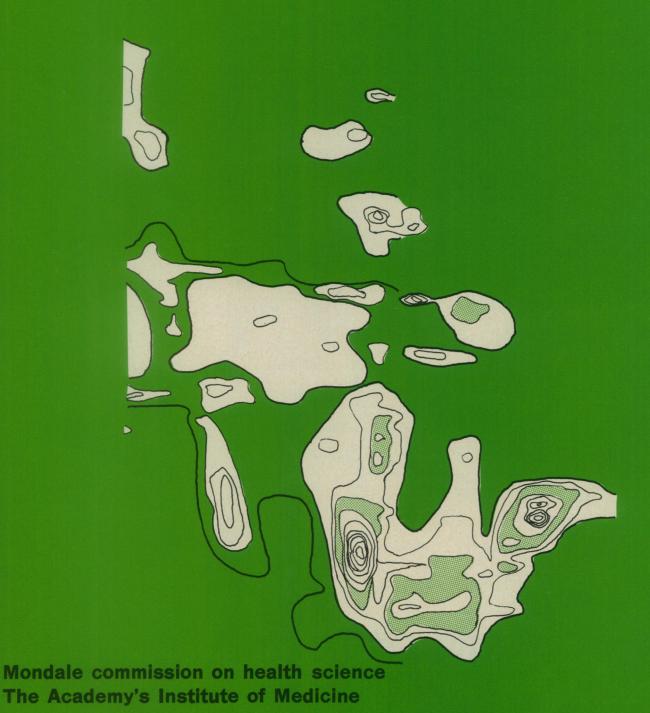
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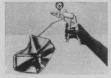


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How our galaxy looks to a radio astronomer depends on what wavelength he is monitoring. The dozens of new molecules discovered in recent years each radiate characteristic emissions. Their nature and distribution are producing new concepts of the physics and topography of the galaxy. The contours of this map represent brightness of 6-centimeter formaldehyde radio emissions. See p. 378. (Map courtesy Patrick Thaddeus. Adaptation by E. Cherry Doyle)

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