



ORS would like to thank Dr. Robert Frederick for his contribution to our March Newsletter!



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## *A Scientist Is Arrested, and Academics Push Back*

By [Ellen Barry](#)

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — It was Donald J. Trump’s last full week in office, so Andrew E. Lelling, the federal prosecutor in Boston, knew he had limited time left in his job. But there was [one more important arrest](#) to announce, one that had been in the works for more than a year and would burnish his record on a key initiative of his tenure.

Police officers that morning had arrested Gang Chen, a professor of mechanical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, on suspicion of hiding affiliations with Chinese government institutions in order to secure \$19 million in U.S. federal grants.

Dr. Chen’s prosecution was the latest in the Justice Department’s [two-year-old China Initiative](#), which aims to root out [research scientists passing sensitive technology](#) to China.

At a news conference that morning, Mr. Lelling said he believed that Dr. Chen, 56, who became a naturalized U.S. citizen two decades ago, had remained loyal to the country of his birth.

“The allegations of the complaint imply that this was not just about greed, but about loyalty to China,” he said.

Read the full article:

[A Scientist Is Arrested, and Academics Push Back - The New York Times \(nytimes.com\)](#)



## Data Privacy Day: Top Considerations for 2021

By Andrew J. Droke, CIPP/US

Happy Data Privacy Day!

Since 2007, privacy professionals from across the globe have gathered together on January 28 to raise awareness about data privacy and security best practices and issues. The past year presented new challenges and questions for organizations of all sizes, as we responded to enhanced and evolving cyber-attacks; addressed the implementation of new laws and regulations, like the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA) and the federal interoperability and information blocking regulations for health care organizations; and developed strategies for responding to new issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As we look forward to 2021, data privacy and security issues will continue to impact businesses of all industries and sizes, and the requirements will affect all aspects of operations.

Read the full article:

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