

I, Science Request for Contingency

A note by Adrian Giordani (I, Science Editor in Chief)

Dear Sirs,

I would like to request a claim of £500 from the contingency budget for printing costs of the Imperial College I, Science magazine. These costs would solely go towards printing 2,000 copies of our 32-page full colour magazine for release on March 15th 2010. The magazine is created by Imperial College students and is for Imperial College students.

The reason we are requesting money from the contingency budget of the Executive Committee Board is that the Felix magazine has traditionally subsidised our printing costs. However, due to the economic recession Felix now has a budget deficit so they have asked us to try and raise funds for printing costs on our own. Additionally, my team and I have been trying to contact other Imperial College departments and corporate advertisers for sponsorship since last October, but it has proven extremely difficult to secure funding in this manner. The main reason advertisers give us in not being able to sponsor I, Science is that they have reduced marketing budgets for 2010 due to the recession that hit the UK in 2009. I have also asked graduate recruiters if they would like to advertise with us to no avail. As a result we have currently no choice but to request for funds from your Board's emergency budget. To my knowledge this is the first time I, Science has requested money from the contingency budget in this fashion.

If you would like to see the high quality and hard work that has gone into producing the most recent edition of our magazine, please visit: <http://issuu.com/iscience/docs/winter>

It would be a tragedy if for the first time since in over 5 years I, Science could not be printed. Please also be aware that the Felix Managing Editor, Dan Wan and the Deputy President, (Finance & Services) Daniel Hill are fully aware of our current situation and request to your Board.

Yours Sincerely,
Adrian