Latest projects
The latest projects to benefit from the Chancellor’s Fund are listed below:

Cardiomyocyte and muscle cell line - the birth of the whole new University of Glasgow Sport Centre

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By using technology that is widely accessible, such as iPods and mp3 players, lectures will be able to include additional material, for example a web site or email server; video file from a remote location, for students who are unable to be present during the lecture. Students will have the flexibility to access these materials whenever they are.

The University of Glasgow will be amongst the first universities in the UK to experiment with live podcasting at the University. Students and staff working on the National Theatre of Scotland project will share their work and students will be able to have access to these podcast features.

Podcasts will no longer be restricted by time and location. It will be possible for students to use this technology to enhance the learning experience and embed the technology in their studies. The University of Glasgow will be amongst the first to试用 this technology.

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Welcome

I have had the privilege of Chairing the University for over a year and in this time I have been impressed with so many aspects of University life.

One of my duties has been to sit on the Chancellor’s Fund Advisory board. This has been an honour allowing me to provide input into the projects supported by the fund.

The wealth and quality of applications presented to the board have given me a real insight into the breadth and depth in touch with the variety of projects happening across the institution. The fund supports our students and the future of the University.

I hope you enjoy reading this newsletter as we update you on the projects that have received grants and current developments relating to the fund. Of course, none of this would be possible without the generous support from our alumni and friends. I am delighted to report that over £300,000 from alumni and friends. I am delighted to report that in the last financial year over £300,000 were received and a further £300,000 are expected to be received in the current financial year. The fund supports our students and the future of the University. Some of the grants which have been allocated are invaluable.

Researcher Kevin Worrall explains: ‘The project is going well but it is at an advanced stage as a prototype for the other four. In the near future the team of robots will be up and running. The development of the robots is at an advanced stage and the funds granted are invaluable. The project will hugely benefit not only the scientific and engineering community but also to the rescue services and farmers in disasters."

Meet the Chairman

Andrew Pirie-Simpson has been Chair of the Chancellor’s Fund Advisory Board since October 2003. A graduate of the University, he was in the forefront of bringing this technology from being experimental to the commercial environment.

I am delighted to have been asked to act as Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Chancellor’s Fund. Many entrepreneurs from Glasgow and London, as well as the service community, expressed interest in hearing lectures again in their own fields.

Here at the University we are all the benefit of bringing this technology into the campus and we have already had great feedback from students and students involved.

The possibilities of this initiative are endless and I am delighted to offer further lectures for students who may not have the time to attend lectures with sign language and those unable to attend lectures again at their own will.

Professor Sir Kenneth Calman Chancellor

Project update: Swarm Robots

The Chancellor’s Fund granted £5,000 in 2005 to develop robots which can assist the emergency services in locating survivors in areas unsuitable for humans and dogs.

The funds were needed to allow the project to become practical and now, with0 another small grant, the engineers and students now have five robots ready. These robots are now being deployed to areas which are unsuitable for humans and dogs.

Researcher Keevler Warnall explains: ‘The project is going well and the funds granted are invaluable. The money is being used to buy the necessary components and devices to create five identical robots which are capable of communicating with each other and a base station, allowing them to work together and follow instructions. The information for the development is to show whether a team of robots can search, using this information to pinpoint areas for searching, thus enhancing the efficiency by far more than a single operator does.

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