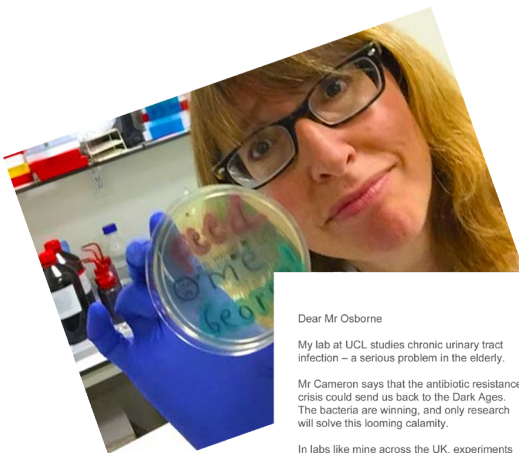


The government is considering damaging cuts to research funding.

Send a message to George Osborne telling him why science is vital to you.



Dear Mr Osborne

My lab at UCL studies chronic urinary tract infection – a serious problem in the elderly.

Mr Cameron says that the antibiotic resistance crisis could send us back to the Dark Ages. The bacteria are winning, and only research will solve this looming calamity.

In labs like mine across the UK, experiments need feeding. Petri dishes aren't as sexy as big capital, but they're equally important.

Please boost the science budget so we can carry on fighting for our lives.

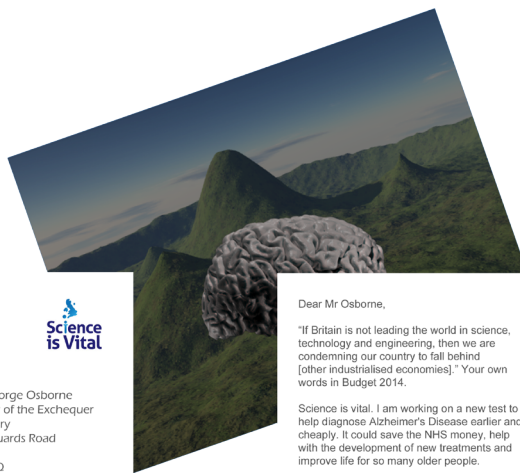
Time is running out.

Dr Jenny Rohn



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Dear Mr Osborne,

"If Britain is not leading the world in science, technology and engineering, then we are condemning our country to fall behind [other industrialised economies]." Your own words in Budget 2014.

Science is vital. I am working on a new test to help diagnose Alzheimer's Disease earlier and cheaply. It could save the NHS money, help with the development of new treatments and improve life for so many older people.

Such rewards can come only if you invest in science.

Please increase research funding as a proportion of GDP – you know it makes sense – you told us yourself.

Tom Hartley



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