

enthusiasm or feeling for it? How many people now eat ripe olives because they tried them and liked them?

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Magnetic fields in biology

In my recent paper "Magnetic Fields in Biology" (PHYSICS TODAY, November, page 38), a statement omitted from the original manuscript called attention to work on magnetocardiography preceding that of David Cohen of MIT and referred the reader to his summary of prior results. In 1963 Gerhard Baule and Richard McFee used an ingenious scheme employing two coils to record for the first time magnetic fields generated by the electrical activity of the human heart without the necessity of elaborate magnetic shielding. I am indebted to Cohen for calling attention to this omission.

An error in the artist's copy of Audus' diagram (figure 2) displaced the green curve vertically against the black curve so that its zero point no longer lines up as it should, with the maximum of the latter. In equation 1 the factor $\frac{1}{2}$ has been omitted.

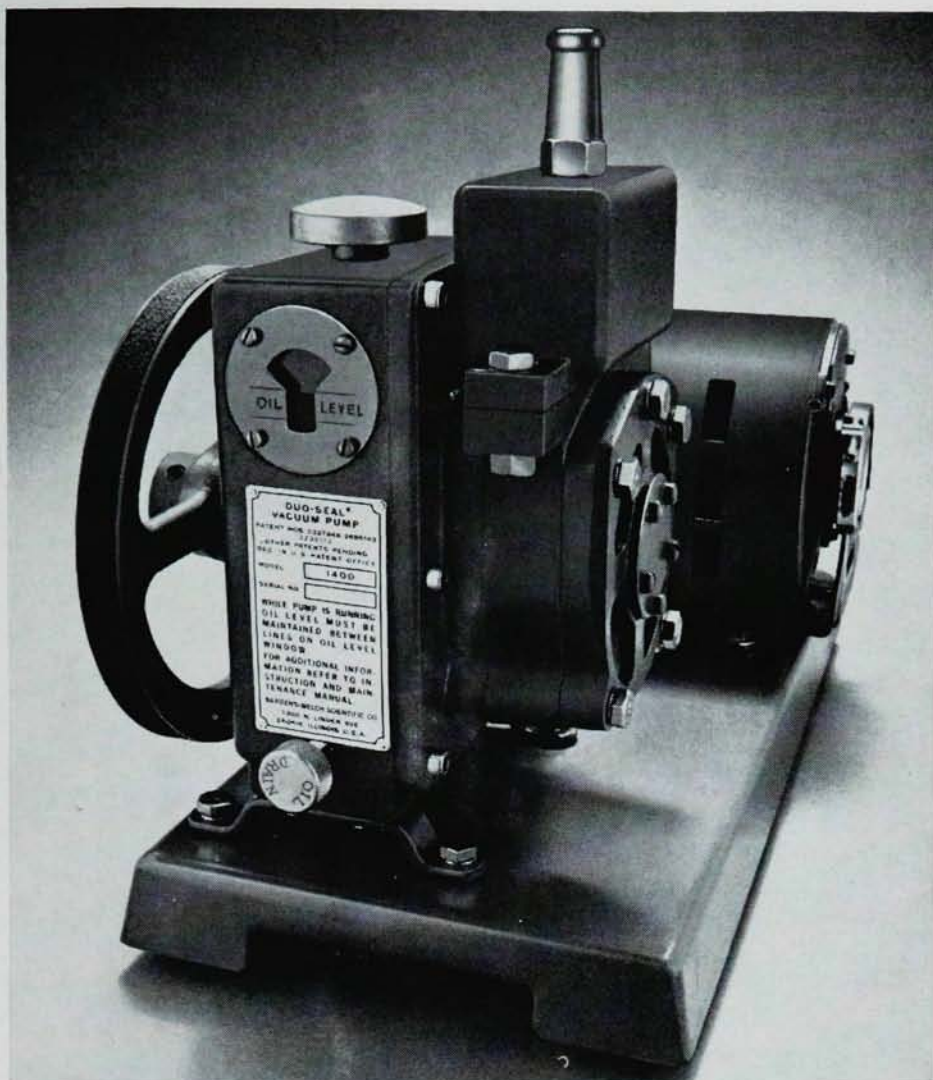
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Make page charges compulsory

The recent editorial in *Physical Review Letters* (21, 1301, 1968) concerning the failure of many authors to honor page charges is cause for deep concern on the part of the entire physics community. The journals published by the American Institute of Physics are superlative and serve as a model for other fields of science. They owe their success in no small measure to the AIP policy of dividing the cost between readers and authors.

If voluntary page charges are not honored, I suggest that the AIP make them compulsory but that authors who are forced to pay from their own personal funds be charged a reduced rate, perhaps depending on their income, their organizational arrangements or the number of pages involved. Such a mechanism would ensure continued success of AIP journals without making an unreasonable hardship on anyone.

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