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Partner Snapshot: Air Products



Air Products is a Bionow Preferred Partner for liquid nitrogen, argon, carbon dioxide, cryogenic storage equipment.

Focused on serving energy, environment and emerging markets, Air Products provide essential industrial gases, related equipment and applications expertise to customers in dozens of industries, including refining, chemical, metals, electronics, manufacturing, and food and beverage. They are also the global leader in the supply of liquefied natural gas process technology and equipment.

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Meet the Member: Mast Group



Founded in 1957, Mast Group is a leading independent manufacturer and global supplier of in vitro diagnostic products for clinical, industrial, and veterinary testing. As early pioneers of the antibiotic susceptibility testing (AST) DISC, we continue to specialise in susceptibility identification and antimicrobial resistance in the IVD market.

The parent company has corporate headquarters in Bootle near Liverpool, UK in addition to two further UK campuses

along with subsidiary companies in Reinfeld, Germany and Amiens, France. Certified to ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 13485:2016, our collaborations with major pharmaceutical companies worldwide and investments in state-of-the-art facilities enable us to provide cutting-edge diagnostic tools from urine microbiology identification & AST to advanced molecular solutions. Mast also supplies the world leading solution for quantitative Faecal Immunochemical Testing (FIT).

Committed to quality, innovation and excellence, Mast Group Ltd. develops products that support accurate clinical diagnosis, now and in the future.

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BioFocus
2024

Bionow's BioFocus 2024 showcases innovation, investment and growth



A busy and buoyant BioFocus once again saw a fantastic turnout with 140 delegates, speakers and panellists plus 21 exhibitors coming together to share the latest technologies, innovations, key sector initiatives and funding opportunities.

After the success of last year, visitors were also encouraged to network at a special and very well-attended conference edition of Biotech & Beers the night before, which provided a valuable opportunity for out of town conference attendees to meet with colleagues from Newcastle and the wider Northeast to ease into BioFocus in an informal setting.

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Neuroscience Conference
NEW VENUE:
Sheffield United FC, Bramall Lane

Wednesday 17th July 2024

Introducing the inaugural Bionow Neuroscience conference, created to bring together academics, clinicians and industry experts in the spirit of collaboration and growth.

The Bionow Neuroscience Conference will explore the current challenges and opportunities facing Neuroscience, highlighting new approaches that will create opportunities for R&D, commercialisation and implementation plus will consider the impact on patient outcomes.

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Pharma Industry Awards UK 2024
ICC, Birmingham

Wednesday 18th September 2024

Bionow is a proud supporter of the Pharma Industry Awards UK 2024, which will identify and celebrate the most original and innovative individuals and companies that demonstrate excellence in the UK pharma industry. It is a unique opportunity to network with the industry's most influential players and top talent.

Key Dates:

Finalists Announced: 22nd July

Awards Gala: 18th September

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BioCap 2024
The King's House Conference Centre,
Manchester

Thursday 26th September



Whether you're looking to invest in the next cutting-edge life sciences innovation or seeking funding and investment opportunities for your business, BioCap is not to be missed!

BioCap features three great opportunities for potential investors and investees to interact:

- Digital Pitching Competition: Shortlisted applicants “pitch” to an online panel of investors
- Investor Dinner: Build valuable connections ahead of the conference.
- BioCap Conference: A full day of networking, panel discussions, keynotes and 1-2-1s

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21st Annual bioProcessUK Conference 2024 Liverpool

19th - 21st November 2024

We're delighted to support the BioIndustry Association's bioProcessUK conference! Join us to be part of discussions around the new frontiers in workforce planning and exploring what's next for medicines manufacturing in the UK. The conference includes:

- Bustling exhibition showcasing 55 companies offering enabling technologies and services
- Learning about new frontiers in bioprocessing from 30 expert speakers and panelists
- 20 Early Career Researchers presenting their cutting edge work
- Networking with the UK bioprocessing community with 400 delegates from PhD to Boardroom

Bionow members can contact
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The Global Manufacturing Technology Show Exhibition Centre, Liverpool

27th - 28th November 2024

Bionow is a proud partner of the Global Manufacturing Technology Show, a two-day event which connects the manufacturing sector with hundreds of innovative companies who provide the very latest cutting-edge technology, products and services to help navigate the ever-evolving world of modern manufacturing.

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BioFIT 2024 Lille, France

3rd - 4th December 2024

Bionow is proud to partner with BioFIT, the leading European partnering event for early stage deals and investment rounds in the Life Sciences sector.

We invite Bionow member start-ups to apply for the Start-up Slams taking place as part of the event agenda: a chance to showcase your project in front of potential partners and investors in the Life Sciences field.

Applications must be submitted by 26th September and candidates must register for BioFIT on 3rd-4th December in Lille, France.

[More info about the Start-up Slams](#)

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Early bird registration available until 4th July

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Find out more about Chubb's new HealthTech insurance product

Chubb has announced the launch of a new HealthTech industry practice in the UK - find out more about the insurance product, underwritten by Life Science and Technology experts who understand the range of exposures organisations in this sector face, in this explainer video.

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AIMday Civic AI and HealthTech - registration extended to 16th July

The University of Liverpool will host **AIMday Civic AI and HealthTech on 2nd October 2024** at the Civic Health Innovation Labs (CHIL) in the Liverpool Science Park. This event is in collaboration with CHIL, Mental Health Research for Innovation Centre (M-RIC), Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust and the Growth Platform.

AIMDay (Academic and Industry Meeting Day) is a

workshop where questions submitted by an external organisation are discussed along with expert academics in the field. Any collaborations that are developed on the day will have the opportunity to apply for exclusive funding offered by the University of Liverpool.

Please register your attendance at the AIMday Civic AI & HealthTech by submitting your question(s) on the registration page for organisations by 16th July 2024.

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BIO-EUROPE®

Bionow Members get 24% Super Earlybird discount for BIO-Europe until 26th July

Taking place from **4th - 6th November 2024 in Stockholm**, BIO-Europe will host over 29,000 one-to-one meetings. The powerful partneringONE platform allows you to effectively and efficiently search for your most ideal partners, meet one-to-one with over 5,500 potential partners to take your company's strategies to the next level. Attend in-person or digitally from wherever you are in the world!

Forge the connections that keep your business moving forward at BIO-Europe's networking receptions held at some of the most incredible locations around Stockholm and position your company among the innovators of the life science industry through a sponsorship package that will improve your visibility with prospective partners.

Register through our Partner BioPartner UK BY 26TH JULY for the Super Earlybird discount.

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£2.1m award to develop eye cell 'bandage'

A team of vision researchers from the University of Liverpool have received £2.1m to develop a contact lens that can repair eye damage.

Dr Hannah Levis is leading the team which will, over the next 3 years, work on an eye 'bandage' that makes direct

contact with the outer layer of the eye, or corneal epithelial tissue, to heal persistent defects.

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Bruntwood SciTech celebrates topping out of innovative lab and workspace, Citylabs 4.0

Bruntwood SciTech has celebrated the topping out of its latest innovative lab and workspace offering, Citylabs 4.0 located within Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust's (MFT) Oxford Road Campus.

To celebrate this major milestone in the development process, Bruntwood SciTech hosted a two-part event, kicking off with a morning interactive session with patients at the Royal Manchester Children's Hospital, followed by the official afternoon ceremony with local partners.

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Motor Neurone Disease Awareness Month: Durham University spin-out given the go-ahead to trial new treatments

During Motor Neurone Disease Awareness Month, Durham University's Prof Andy Whiting discussed Durham spinout Nevrargenics Ltd. being given the green light by the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency to trial new treatments.

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University launches new biotech spin-out company

The University of Liverpool has launched a new biotech spin-out company to develop novel therapeutic drugs for the treatment of cancer and fibrotic diseases.

The spin-out, named Galytx, will focus specifically on developing small molecular therapeutic drugs against a highly clinical relevant molecular target called galectin-3.

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Guardtech shortlisted for three gongs at London Construction and SME Cambridgeshire Business Awards

The Guardtech Group have been shortlisted for a total of three awards at the London Construction and SME Cambridgeshire Business Awards.

The Haverhill-based cleanroom design & build experts are up for Best Enterprising Business and Family Business of the Year at the SME Cambridgeshire showpiece, as well as the Marketing Team of the Year gong at the London Construction Awards.

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Study Transformative Oncology, online and part-time at The University of Manchester (MSc, PGDip, PGCert)

Delivered in collaboration with the Manchester Cancer Research Centre and designed with working professionals in mind, this pioneering, patient-focused course will give you the tools to lead the next wave of cancer specialists and revolutionise the oncology field.

Apply now for September 2024

10% NHS staff discount

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Seven researchers secure funding through the flagship Researcher to Innovator (R2I) programme to continue developing their commercial ideas

Twenty-two early career researchers have now successfully completed the Researcher to Innovator (R2I) programme, an exciting entrepreneurship training programme for researchers with ambitions to develop commercial ventures and create impact from their academic studies.

The Options Roundabout event on the 12th June 2024 was the culmination of the R2I programme which saw our researchers pitch to a panel of entrepreneurs, funders and commercialisation experts. The event which was an opportunity for the cohort to network and celebrate their achievements was hosted in our MEC Enterprise Zone, a dedicated entrepreneurship space in the Alliance Manchester Business School.

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Square One Law named among UK's top B Corps

Square One Law, which has offices in Newcastle, Leeds and Darlington employing 62 people, is one of the latest UK businesses to achieve B Corp status.

The values driven firm, which is known for its 'fair, inclusive and diverse culture' achieved an overall score of 93, above the B Corp pass mark score of 80 and placing it among the top 10 ranked UK law firms.

B Corp Certification is a designation that a business is meeting high standards of verified performance, accountability, and transparency on factors from employee benefits and charitable giving to supply chain practices and input materials.

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Life sciences company LightOx raises £1.5m to develop oral cancer preventative treatment

A Newcastle-based life sciences company has raised £1.5m worth of investment to help develop a ground-breaking treatment that could provide a treatment for patients suffering from early stage oral cancer.

LightOx has raised money to develop its lead candidate LXD191, an oral gel that is activated by a light device that targets a serious pre-cancerous condition called oral epithelial dysplasia (OED).

The round was led by the GMC Life Sciences Fund by Praetura – a collaborative fund managed by Praetura Ventures and made up of Bruntwood SciTech, Cheshire and Warrington Local Enterprise Partnership and Greater Manchester Combined Authority – with LightOx’s existing investors also contributing, including Newcastle’s Northstar Ventures.

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SRG expands into commercial recruitment

SRG, a leading recruitment specialist with over 30 years of experience in STEM recruitment, is excited to announce its expansion into the commercial recruitment sector. This strategic move enables SRG to offer comprehensive recruitment solutions that support a wide range of commercial and management roles, meeting the diverse needs of clients.

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Manchester Met opens applications for September cohort of degree apprenticeships in science and sustainability

Degree apprenticeships are a powerful combination of study and on-the-job learning. Apprentices can be new recruits or existing employees - an excellent opportunity for employers to develop in-house experts. Our industry-driven programmes are created with leading employers, focusing on combining valuable transferable skills and scientific knowledge.

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Lung cancer study offers further evidence on importance of screening

Researchers from the University of Liverpool and Queen Mary University of London have published the first study in the UK to demonstrate the benefits of lung cancer screening across socioeconomic groups. Evidence in the

new study illustrates the value and importance of screening, especially for those who live in areas of economic deprivation.

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Bruntwood SciTech launches all new Life Science Accelerator at Alderley Park

Bruntwood SciTech is announcing the launch of its new Life Science Accelerator programme at Alderley Park in a move aimed at supporting even greater innovation and economic growth in the region.

The Life Science Accelerator will begin with an in-person two day bootcamp at Alderley Park on 3rd and 4th July 2024.

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Have you developed an innovative health solution? Enter the Bright Ideas in Health Awards today!

Submission deadline: Wednesday 31st July

The Bright Ideas in Health Awards, organised by Health Innovation North East North Cumbria (HI NENC), are open to individuals and teams from across the NHS, including those in primary and secondary care, universities, and regional businesses and organisations working within the health sector.

It's free to enter and winners will receive a cash prize and support from innovation experts at HI NENC to progress their ideas.

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We are delighted to invite Bionow members to exhibit at Lancaster University's Science, Health & Technology Careers Fair

A wide range of companies attend every year to network with over 1000 students and discuss internships, placement years or graduate roles. The students who attend the fair are from all year groups across the University with a focus on students from the Faculty of Science and Technology and the Faculty of Health and Medicine.

You can exhibit for FREE at the fair which will be held in the LICA building (Lancaster Institute for Contemporary Arts) at Lancaster University on 6th November 2024.

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Announcing Pharmora's first masterclass blog series: Happy Birthday HGR!

In the past, clinical trials with sites in China came to a grinding halt when they tried to initiate these sites as they had not accounted for the processes required for HGR. It has become known that this process is very time consuming and complex. But did you know that several changes to the legislation have been made throughout the years, aiming to streamline these applications, which now mean the review process is only 20 working days. The HGR application process can still be very time consuming, but the regulatory review part of the process is the shortest piece!

In this three-part series, we will walk you through the journey of HGR and provide explanations and tips to help you with the application process.

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Ready to scale up? Five ways that collaborating with a university can support your business growth

Caroline Stanton, Head of SME Partnerships at The University of Manchester, shares how the institution is supporting innovative businesses to scale and grow through partnership and collaboration.

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Venturing into Life Sciences

Too many investments in life science companies are made without the appropriate human capital due diligence which can lead to problems post-deal in areas like poor talent retention and excessive salary costs. Aon's Keaton Hoffman – Partner, Executive Compensation, Talent Solutions and Matthew Robinson – Life Science Industry Leader, explore why getting the human capital due diligence right is vital and where venture capital firms and the wider private equity market should be focusing.

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Life Sciences: UK funding continues to come under pressure

The UK funding market is currently 'cautious'. The past year has been particularly challenging; businesses have had to navigate high interest rates, higher than normal

inflation and extreme economic uncertainty. This has dented the confidence of investors and lenders, leading to a resurgence of funding discipline. Investors and lenders are now evaluating opportunities more rigorously, with an increased focus on profitability and financial sustainability.

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Money is essential, and society teaches us to manage it wisely. We fear losing it and make cautious decisions to avoid potential financial pitfalls. Yet, money isn't our most precious asset. It can be earned, lost, and re-earned. The real currency we should prioritise is time. Once spent, it can never be recovered.

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Upcoming R&D regime changes – what is the impact for Clinical Research Organisations?

New R&D rules around contracted-out R&D are set to impact Clinical Research Organisations (CROs). Lizzie Gosling, innovations reliefs specialist for the life sciences and healthcare sector, looks at the key R&D regime changes and why CROs' contracts need to be put under the spotlight.

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Regulating AI in pharmacovigilance

Pharmora's CMO, Dr Stephanie Jones, gives her thoughts on AI following a panel discussion at the EU Pharmacovigilance conference in May.

Everyone is talking about AI: What is it? Will it take our jobs? Will it save the world, or will it ruin everything?

I was lucky enough to be invited to a panel discussion called "Regulating AI in Pharmacovigilance" and, because this is a topic of key relevance to our clients right now, I decided to write a blog.

We heard from visionary leaders and experienced fellow Pharmacovigilance professionals (including Julia Appelskog, who literally wrote the book on this!).

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Guardtech protecting life sciences firms with elite furniture & equipment range

The Guardtech Group are more than just a cleanroom construction company – they're a business that help to solve problems.

One of the biggest problems that their clients often face, in fields such as Life Sciences, High-Tech Engineering and Healthcare, is having the appropriate kit to conduct their process effectively and efficiently.

The Suffolk-based controlled environment construction experts have been building elite-level cleanrooms for leading firms across a wide range of industries for 25 years now, from Aerospace to Pharmaceuticals, Medical Device to Semiconductor and Micro-electronics, Optical manufacturing to Cell & Gene Therapy.

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Understanding the nuances between creative marketing and digital marketing in life sciences, biotech, and healthcare

Creative marketing - digital marketing - while both serve essential roles in promoting your products and services, they operate on different principles and platforms.

Here, we delve into the nuances between creative and digital marketing, providing insights tailored to the unique needs of life sciences and healthcare, highlighting how science marketing, when done well can create clarity around complex scientific concepts.

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The Formulation Development Journey at FUJIFILM Diosynth Biotechnologies

It is a common misconception that the road to a successful biologic formulation is a well-worn and well-known path that is easy to travel. We must keep in mind that every molecule has its own “personality,” and therefore, can respond very differently to stressors, conditions, and formulation components, even if the only change is one amino acid. The road that seems to be well-traveled will inevitably have some surprising twists and turns that are better navigated with strong, scientific, data-driven decisions along the journey. Successful formulation journeys start with a roadmap where scientific studies and decision points are used to create a route for understanding a molecule’s personality and its viability to help it along the way to the ultimate user – the patients.

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Video Series: Square One Law | An Employer's Guide To Immigration Law

Square One Law have produced a series of helpful videos to help employers navigate the complexities of employing workers from outside of the UK.

In today's global business landscape, the ability to hire the right talent, often from across borders, is key to your business's growth and success.

Securing the appropriate sponsorship licenses for hiring international workers is a delicate and vital process. Mistakes or oversights in this area can lead to significant setbacks, such as application rejections or compliance issues. It's important to have a process that's straightforward and reliable, ensuring your business remains compliant and focused.

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Specialist Laboratory Purchasing Scheme for Bionow Members

The Fisher Scientific channel offers a full range of premium brands

The breadth and depth of the Fisher Scientific product range creates a virtual one-stop shop for scientists with a core list that helps to simplify your ordering whilst providing great value and long-term price stability. Browse a dynamic, fully-interactive web catalogue that provides product information and real-time stock availability.

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Members of Bionow can post their current job vacancies directly to the Bionow website free of charge.

<https://bionow.co.uk/jobs>

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Upcoming Sector Events



Kidney Research Industry Day



3rd July 2024
Hilton, Leeds City Centre

Join us for a day dedicated to building the community and exploring the partnership opportunities needed to meet the growing challenge of kidney disease and make research breakthroughs count: Health economics of kidney disease in the UK (one year on: How we are meeting the challenges identified and what action is needed next); Reducing the barriers to effective treatments/ implementation- the industry perspective (roundtable discussion); and Enhancing collaboration across stakeholders (Developing future opportunities and plans to work with us to drive change in combating kidney disease).

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ON Helix 2024



4th July 2024
Babraham Research Campus,
Cambridge

Our one-day conference addresses key bio innovation trends, from developments in life science and technology research to their translation into new diagnostics, prevention tools or treatments.

ON Helix offers a high content mix of plenary talks and panels from key opinion leaders, Exhibition area, assembling an array of exhibitors; all great examples of helping to enable the translation of ideas into better patient outcomes.

**Bionow members can contact
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GAMP (R) 5 (3 Day) Training



23rd - 25th July 2024

Online

The GAMP® 5 (3 Day) Training goes beyond our Fundamentals of GAMP® 5 Guidance by investigating in depth the main topics in the latest version of GAMP® 5: A Risk-Based Approach to Compliant GxP Computerised Systems, and reviewing sample appendices from the following sections: Development, Management, Operation and Special Interest Topics. Taking the opportunity to attend this course is useful for people working in healthcare manufacturing and related IT departments. Suppliers can also benefit. National Blood Service employees and other industries such as bank ATM manufacturers have also attended this course.

Six places are currently available

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Newcastle University Research Facilities Showcase



25th July 2024

Boiler House, Newcastle University

Discover how you can access our world-class laboratories and technical expertise and join us to learn what the research facilities at Newcastle University can offer your business or research project.

There will also be opportunities to network with our teams, other local companies and researchers over lunch, breakout sessions and refreshments.

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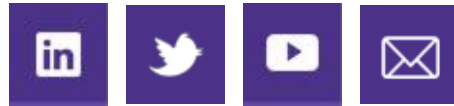


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