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At the heart of the
Northern biotech and
life sciences sector

About Bionow

Bionow is an award-winning not-for-profit membership organisation working to support the UK Northern life sciences scene and beyond.

Established in 2011, Bionow supports its members in achieving competitiveness and innovation in the life sciences industry. We achieve this by organising conferences and events, acting as an advocate for the region, and providing procurement member benefits to strengthen the life sciences sector in the North.

Bionow facilitates networking and collaboration among more than 300 member organisations and over 1300 life science business' across the North, including startups, major corporations, universities, and supply chain specialists, with a focus on expanding our membership base across the North of England and into the Midlands and Scotland.

We raise the profile of members, partners and sponsors through the member directory and the news page

We organise networking events and conferences

We offer support to businesses in the life sciences industry

We provide additional recruitment support by posting job vacancies and facilitating skills development

We save members up to 50% via our Purchasing Scheme

We act as the gateway to the North

"Working at Bionow has opened my eyes to a wealth of different innovative organisations and individuals discovering potentially new therapeutics, medical technologies, diagnostics, and devices. It's great being part of a thriving and collaborative network and life sciences sector with the bonus of working alongside a super friendly, supportive, and committed team. I really enjoy my job. We work hard but have lots of fun doing it!

Stella James
Executive Director of Business Development



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Why Join Bionow?

One membership. Four ways to grow.

Bionow membership is a cost-effective and efficient one-stop shop that creates networking and business development opportunities, as well as helping life sciences organisations reduce costs, increase visibility, build valuable relationships and access practical support for growth. Whether you're a start-up, SME, university, NHS organisation or global business, membership connects you to one of the UK's most active life sciences communities.

Save Money

Access the Bionow Purchasing Scheme and benefit from exclusive discounts on a wide range of products and services used across the life sciences sector. With savings of up to 50%, Bionow members can increase their profitability and stretch their seed funding further to build value in their technology and business proposition. Membership can quickly deliver tangible value to your organisation.

Raise Your Profile

Increase awareness of your organisation through the Bionow Member Directory, company news, newsletters and communications platforms. Membership provides opportunities to promote your expertise, showcase achievements and stay visible within the life sciences community.

Build Valuable Connections

Join a network of more than 300 member organisations and wider community of over 1,300 life sciences businesses. From potential collaborators and customers to investors and strategic partners, Bionow helps open doors to new opportunities and meaningful relationships, helping you keep up to date with the latest sectoral developments.

Access Expert Support

Benefit from recruitment support, skills initiatives, investment opportunities and sector-focused guidance. Bionow works alongside members to help them overcome challenges, identify opportunities and achieve their growth ambitions.

Membership That Delivers Value

More than a membership organisation, Bionow is a community dedicated to supporting innovation, collaboration and commercial success across the life sciences sector in the North and beyond.

Visibility. Savings. Connections. Growth.

Purchasing Scheme

We make your money go further in the face of rising costs.

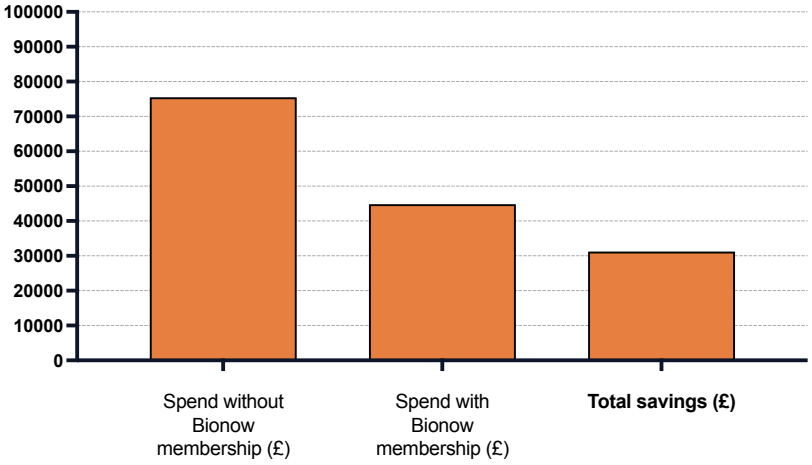
All Bionow Members have access to exceptional value and can make great savings via the Bionow Purchasing Scheme.

Bionow membership offers exceptional value and as a member, you can bolster your bottom line by procuring goods and services with Bionow's 'Preferred Partners' via the Bionow Purchasing Scheme.

Access to the Bionow Purchasing Scheme is one of the most significant member benefits and is available to all Bionow members. You and your company can make significant savings by procuring goods and services with our Preferred Partners. Designed specifically around the purchasing behaviours of companies based within the membership, this covers laboratory supplies, financial services, and a suite of specialist services all of which are tailored to the needs of Bionow members.



Real example company savings via the Bionow Purchasing Scheme in 2025



Access great savings and value from Bionow Partners:

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Discounts available in these categories - Visit **bionow.co.uk** for more information

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- R&D Funding
- Commercial Insurance
- Recruitment
- International Conferences
- Employee Benefits
- Business Intelligence
- Translation & Interpreting
- Financial Partnering
- Cyber Risk Management

Our Annual Life Sciences Events

Our conferences showcase current issues and the cutting-edge science among our members. Members of Bionow can also enjoy a significantly discounted entry.

The BioInfect Conference

The agenda at BioInfect will focus on the issues surrounding the increasing threat of AMR and how it can be addressed, including working towards an integrated, unifying approach that aims to achieve optimal and sustainable health outcomes; antimicrobial stewardship; increased investment and innovation in new treatments at all stages of the drug development pipeline and ensuring ROI in the development of new antimicrobials; and the use of strategic information to inform the AMR response.

The Bionow Awards

The Bionow Awards are given to honour those most deserving for their ingenuity and dedication, distinguishing them from their competitors and proving them worthy of recognition. The awards dinner celebrates excellence in the life sciences industry with distinguished winners across various categories, including innovative healthcare projects and product development, are recognised for their outstanding contributions.

The Precision Medicine Conference

Discover how precision medicine is transforming the healthcare landscape at the Bionow Precision Medicine Conference. This event brings together thought leaders, innovators, and healthcare professionals to explore advancements in personalised treatment approaches and their impact on patients.

The Pharma Manufacturing Conference

The North of England is a key player in the life sciences sector, and investment is continuing to grow. Bionow's Pharma Manufacturing conference brings together industry, academic and regulatory experts to collaborate and share their experiences and expertise through talks, panel discussions, exhibitions and networking to identify challenges and opportunities in the industry.

The BioAI Summit

As AI technologies continue to evolve, their integration into the life sciences sector is paving the way for innovations that were once thought impossible. From accelerating drug discovery to revolutionizing diagnostics and transforming personalised medicine, AI is unlocking new frontiers in biotech and healthcare. This event brings together experts to explore how AI can be leveraged to solve complex biological challenges and drive the future of healthcare.

The BioFocus Conference

BioFocus is a one-day conference that brings together industry, academia, and experts in life sciences. BioFocus inspires businesses to connect, engage, benefit and grow. Comprising conference, exhibition, and significant networking sessions, this event will provide a unique opportunity to hear about the latest technologies, innovations, key sector initiatives, and funding opportunities.

The Neuroscience Conference

The Bionow Neuroscience conference will explore the current challenges and opportunities facing the sector, highlighting new approaches that will create opportunities for R&D, commercialisation and implementation while considering the impact on patient outcomes. Bringing expertise, funding and new technologies together in the neuroscience field is one of the biggest challenges facing the Life Sciences sector. The aim of this conference is to combine all these elements and contribute to the eradication of these diseases.

The BioInsight Conference

BioInsight is a conference by Bionow which brings together the life sciences community of Scotland and beyond to share insights, technological and business developments and forge valuable new connections. With a focus on translating and commercialising new technologies, BioInsight explores the trends, technologies and collaborations shaping the future of the sector.

The BioCap Conference

The BioCap Conference is a one-of-a-kind event that brings together life sciences businesses, researchers and investors. Join us to explore the current funding landscape, discover investment opportunities that will propel your business forward and gain valuable insights from investors and industry experts. You'll also hear about exciting pre-spin-out opportunities from regional universities, network with peers and potential collaborators, and engage in one-on-one partnering meetings.

The BioIgnite Conference Series

Based on our popular BioFocus conference format, the Bionow BioIgnite event series unites industry and academia with opportunities to hear about the latest innovations, sector initiatives and funding rounds. The agenda offers a full day of engaging sessions, including expert panels and presentations on industry trends.

The Oncology Conference

Join Bionow, industry experts, and colleagues for the highly anticipated Oncology Conference. This event will delve into the latest advancements and challenges in cancer research, fostering collaboration and innovation across the healthcare sector. This conference will provide an in-depth exploration of the oncology landscape, featuring keynote talks, panel discussions, exhibitions, poster presentations, and valuable networking opportunities.

Our Business Networking Events

Alongside our larger conferences, we also run more informal networking sessions completely free-of-charge as part of the Bionow membership package.

Empowering Women in Biotech

Bi-annual series designed to promote women in the industry, celebrate achievements and share successes. This event allows delegates the opportunity to network with and support peers

Bionow's Empowering Women in Biotech event at the HGF Leeds office saw 75 delegates convene for a day of networking and inspiration. The event was praised for its enthusiastic speakers and insightful discussions, with plans to continue these empowering sessions.

Biotech and Beers

Biotech and Beers contribute to a community of like-minded leaders focused on real company growth in life sciences and offer opportunities for peer group support (even if it's just a chance to let off some steam!). It is a great space for some social networking to meet new contacts, compare notes and catch up in a pleasant and relaxed setting.

Pitching and Pizza

The event is not only a great opportunity to present to the life sciences and biomedical community but also gives companies a unique chance to hear about the latest technologies and innovations available from some of the leading companies in the North of England.

The event will benefit the following companies:

- Developers of technology, products and expertise in the life sciences and biomedical sector
- Suppliers of technology into the life sciences and biomedical sector
- Users of products, technology & expertise from life sciences and biomedical companies

Investment Showcase Webinars

Bionow's webinar series allows Members seeking investment to present 30-minute pitches to a virtual audience of investors, with the presentations recorded to allow-on-demand viewing and direct follow up with the companies after the event.

Bionow Business Support

Here to support our members further



Funding and growth

Meet Inventya Group

Inventya Group is a private innovation agency specialised in the commercialisation of innovation across multiple sectors. We exist to uncover opportunities for the UK's most dynamic and high-growth businesses.

For Bionow members, our group provides:

- **Funding & Corporate Finance:** We help businesses secure essential growth capital via equity investment, R&D tax incentives and strategic financial advisory. From application to investor engagement and M&A support, we position clients for sustainable financial success.
- **Grants & Tenders:** Expert support to secure national and international grant funding and tenders from application through to reporting.
- **Finance & Compliance:** Tailored accountancy, valuations, tax, and bookkeeping to keep finance compliant and strategic.
- **Innovation & Commercialisation:** Market insights, innovation strategy, and access to innovation ecosystems globally that help businesses accelerate growth.
- **Internationalisation:** Providing tailored support on market expansion and implementation strategies on the ground in some of the biggest global markets
- **Digital Transformation:** Data analysis, CRM optimization, migration, and automation to build systems that scale with your business.



Skills development

Skills Support

All Bionow members can become members of our Skills SIG (Special Interest Group). The SIG brings together SMEs, corporations, colleges, universities, and other training providers to help shape the skills base available to the sector, supporting and influencing skills provision development, whether from private providers or educational institutions.

Bionow Life Sciences Careers Fair

Skills and talent-focused sector support includes the Bionow Life Sciences Careers Fair. This annual online event brings companies from across the network and students from over 20 educational institutions to an online yearly Life Sciences careers fair. Companies articulate the career paths and opportunities that they offer to an audience of hundreds of Life Science students who will shortly be entering the workforce.

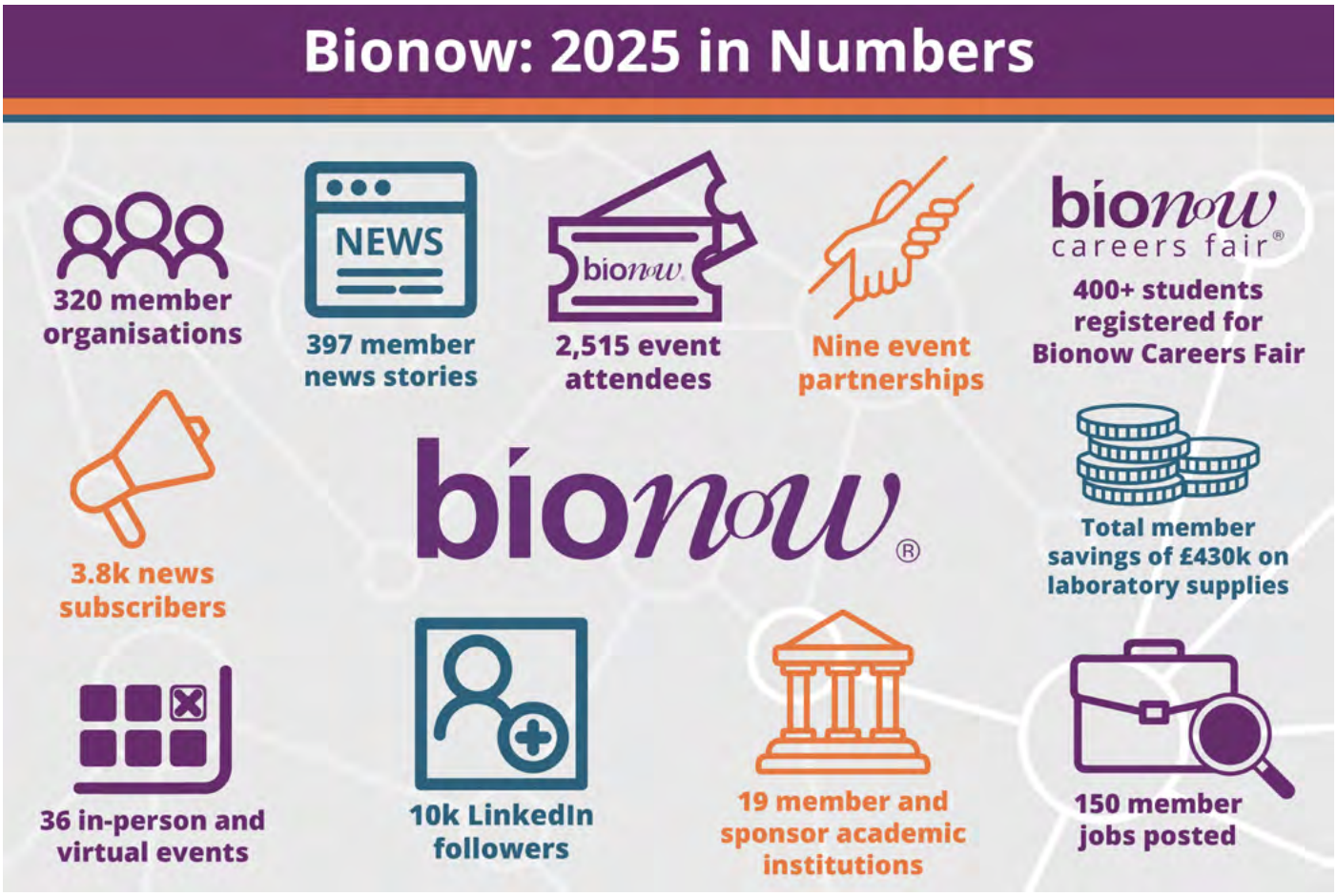
Posting Vacancies

All Bionow members can post vacancies on the Bionow Jobs page to ensure access to relevant talent. This is an excellent way of reaching suitable recruits.

Further activities include skills surveys, career case studies, and a range of other support downloadable from the Bionow website. We provide support to the Bionow community, including sessions focused on Skills at Bionow Conferences.

Bionow's Year in Numbers

We have had another great year in 2025 with record event attendees, over £700k of savings through our purchasing scheme and our ever-growing membership base.



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