

Bionow Newsletter



Bionow News & Events

The latest Bionow News and upcoming Events



Bionow is Delighted to Welcome Four New Members

We look forward to working with:

**Cancer Research Horizons | TRUPCR Europe | Lean
Life Science | Byotrol**

Our members are at the heart of what we do and by joining Bionow and working together we can achieve more. Bionow members have access to a fantastic range of benefits and services to assist with being globally competitive, delivering world class innovation and inspiring the next generation. Become part of our community!

Join Us



Partner Snapshot: Mitigo Cybersecurity

Mitigo is a Bionow Preferred Partner for Cyber Risk Management.

Mitigo's support has been designed for biomedical and life science businesses, to offer proportionate, affordable, ongoing security, to safeguard against cybercrime and includes a dedicated expert client helpdesk. After assessing your risks, Mitigo will take care of the three areas needed to keep your firm safe:

Technology: on-site technology assessments, penetration testing, and vulnerability scanning

People: e-Learning, testing, and simulated phishing

Governance: policies, personalised staff cyber security handbook, and risk management framework

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Meet the Member: QMS Consultancy Ltd

QMS Consultancy specialises in helping medical device start-ups, entrepreneurs, academics and clinicians to get their technologies onto the market as quickly & painlessly as possible. This is achieved through the following 4 key activities:

- Free Regulatory support for med-tech entrepreneurs each & every Wednesday
- 2-day Design Workshop to document the Design Inputs & Risk Assessment
- Technical File Template with around 80 documents to reduce the administrative burden of regulatory approval (e.g. CE, UKCA, FDA etc.)
- A transparent and easy to use Quality Management System appropriate for ISO 13485, which has past >85 3rd party audits

If you need regulatory support of any kind, please reach out to Richard Hall on richard@qms-consultancy.com or visit www.qms-consultancy.com

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Event Summary: Tools for Improving Clinical Diagnostics & Partnering

Diagnostics experts gathered together at the joint session on 7th December, partnered by Bionow and the University of Durham and hosted at the university's Calman Learning Centre, to showcase the results of current partnerships and the promise of future collaborations between industry and academia.

With networking, speaker sessions and a keynote address from Bionow CEO Geoff Davison, the event presented opportunities to engage with businesses and academics to develop and improve tools for clinical diagnostics by hearing from academics who built strong industry collaborations.



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Pitching & Pizza NETPark, Sedgefield

Thursday 19th January 2023

Bionow and NETPark will be co-hosting a Pitching & Pizza networking event for companies operating in the life science and biomedical sector.

The event is not only a great opportunity to present to the life science 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.

Registration opens at 4pm, with welcome and business pitches from 4.20pm. Pizza, refreshments and networking will begin at 5pm

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BioInfect 2023 Alderley Park Conference Centre

Wednesday 1st February 2023

Antimicrobial resistance threatens the effective prevention and treatment of an ever-increasing range of infections caused by bacteria, parasites, viruses and fungi and BioInfect will analyse the implications that are being felt the world over.

Hear from leading national and international experts and learn how they are playing their part in tackling this key issue.

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Biotech & Beers @ BioInfect The Churchill Tree, Alderley Park

Wednesday 1st February 2023

Are you attending our BioInfect Conference and fancy a beer afterwards?

Even if you're not attending the BioInfect Conference, why not join Bionow for Biotech & Beers, an agenda-free networking evening after the conference, which provides opportunities for key people from companies in or with the life sciences sector to network and socialise with their peers in an informal setting over a drink or two.

We look forward to catching up with you after the conference!

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Biotech & Beers Secret Cinema Room, Town Wall, Newcastle

Thursday 2nd February 2023

Join Bionow for an agenda-free networking evening which provides opportunities for key people from companies working in or with the life sciences sector to network and socialise with their peers in an informal setting over a drink or two. There is no need to register but if you would like to please do so below so we know who to expect.

We look forward to catching up with you from 5.30pm onwards in the downstairs bar!

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Business Pitching Event Sci-Tech Daresbury

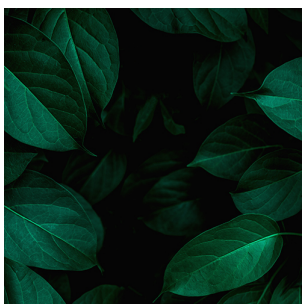
Tuesday 28th February 2023

Bionow, Sci-Tech Daresbury and STFC will be co-hosting a business pitching and networking opportunities event for companies operating in the life science and biomedical sector.

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

Registration is at 9.00am with welcome and business pitches at 10.00am and an opportunity to network to follow. The event closes at 11.00am.

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Eating protein from lab-grown, plant and insect sources takes giant steps to wider consumption

Innovation in alternative protein sources including cultivated and plant-based meat plus insect protein is on a steep upward trajectory, according to the latest report.

The second annual edition of the Inside Green Innovation: Progress Report 2022, from leading intellectual property

firm Appleyard Lees, analyses patent filings across several key environmental issues facing the world, including alternative protein.

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If you would like to be involved with Bionow Events we would **love to hear from you.**

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Lean Life Science and Cancer Research Horizons launch new Oncology Development Programme, ODP2



Do you have an emerging oncology innovation that have the potential to improve diagnosis and treatment of cancer?

Lean Life Science and Cancer Research Horizons have launched a new Oncology Development Programme focused on accelerating high impact novel cancer innovations. Called ODP2, it is a fully-funded programme to identify and accelerate novel oncology innovations, including therapeutics, diagnostics, digital tech, and medical devices, into commercially attractive assets.

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F2G announces FDA filing acceptance of New Drug Application for Olorofim for the treatment of invasive fungal infections

F2G Inc. has announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has accepted for filing its New Drug Application (NDA) for olorofim for the treatment of invasive

fungal infections in patients who have limited or no treatment options.

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Apollo's annual charity donation to support local and global communities

Since 2019, instead of giving out Christmas cards and gifts, we have made an annual donation to one local and one global charity, reflecting the communities we operate in so that the funds that would have been used will have a more meaningful purpose, supporting our social and environmental ambitions.

Over the past couple of weeks our employees have been voting for a local charity and our customers and partners have been voting for a global charity so we can ensure that the donations will go to where they are needed the most.

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A potential gamechanger in beating antimicrobial resistance

A radical project involving a group of experts from the University of Huddersfield aims to develop a new method for the commercial production of Anti-microbial peptide's (AMPs) and could open up a whole new range of opportunities for the use of bio-active peptides.

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**Department for
International Trade**

Northern Powerhouse trade mission to Turkey

The Department for International Trade (DIT) is delighted to invite businesses from across the Northern Powerhouse to submit an expression of interest to participate in a trade mission to Turkey. The programme is designed for businesses who operate in the chemical and pharmaceuticals sectors, as well as associated supply chains.

This expression of interest does not guarantee your place on the mission, at this stage, we are gauging interest in this visit. [Express your interest here.](#)

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Expansion continues for Biocair as firm reports substantial growth

As renowned experts in logistics for the healthcare industry, the firm continues to invest heavily in response to the growing global demand for specialist cold chain logistics solutions within the sector.

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Medicines Discovery Catapult and Alchemab Therapeutics awarded £1.7 million grant from Innovate UK to accelerate development of disease-modifying therapy for Huntington's Disease

Working in collaboration with Medicines Discovery Catapult, Alchemab Therapeutics, a biotechnology company unlocking new therapies from within the immune system, announced that it has been awarded a grant of £1.7 million from Innovate UK's Biomedical Catalyst 2022 funding competition, to accelerate development of a first-in-class disease modifying therapy for Huntington's disease. Alchemab is carrying out preclinical studies to progress its panel of antibodies towards first in human studies.

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Immundnz publishes article on human immune assay in peer reviewed journal

Immundnz Ltd. has published the results of a study to assess the susceptibility of patients to cytokine storm in COVID-19 in Current Research in Immunology. The assay may also find application in other infectious diseases, vaccine and drug development and cell therapies.

The link to the article can be found [here](#).

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ANGLONORDIC
Life Science Conference

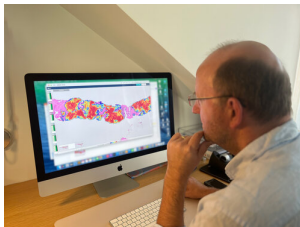
19th Anglonordic Life Science Conference 2023

The event to discover, collaborate, and invest in the success of UK and Nordic life sciences.

The Annual Anglonordic Life Science Conference is back for 2023. Join us on the 20th April for the 19th edition of this must-attend conference. You will have opportunities to:

- MEET decision makers at leading and upcoming drug discovery and technology companies from the UK and Nordic regions, and investment firms throughout Europe.
- LEARN from major investment firms about the current status of European investment in life science technologies.
- GAIN insights from experienced life science operators within the Anglo-Nordic space.

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Leading UK diagnostics provider Source LDPath expands AI capabilities with Ibex Medical Analytics

Source LDPath, a part of Source BioScience (Source), a leading international provider of integrated state-of-the-art laboratory services and products and Ibex Medical Analytics (Ibex), the leader in AI-powered cancer diagnostics, has announced an agreement to expand the deployment Artificial Intelligence (AI) to the entire pathology network at Source.

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Biocair expands its European network with a new Paris operational hub

Biocair announces the expansion of its global life science logistics services by opening a new operational hub in Corneilles-en-Parisis, northern France.

A subsidiary of GeoPost/DPDgroup, Biocair is an expert in providing industry-leading temperature-controlled logistics solutions to the global scientific community. Specialised logistics is an essential support function for healthcare and biotechnology companies.

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Aptamer Group announces new deals to support novel therapies and improved assays

Aptamer Group plc, the developer of novel Optimer® binders to enable innovation in the life sciences industry, announces a selection of new contract wins where Optimer technology is being explored by partners to offer new strategies for therapeutics and potentially offer improved assay sensitivity and selectivity over antibodies.

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Northern Powerhouse Virtual Trade Mission to Germany

Wednesday 11th January - Monday 27th February 2023

The Department for International Trade (DIT) is delighted to invite businesses from across the Northern Powerhouse to submit an expression of interest to participate in a virtual trade mission to Germany. The programme is designed for businesses who operate in the Chemical and Pharmaceuticals sectors, and associated supply chains.

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School health at heart of University of Huddersfield and UNESCO Chair project

Improving the health of children and young people through creative collaborations between health and education professionals will be a major focus of the University of Huddersfield's input into the UNESCO Chair 'Global Health and Education' for the period 2022-2026.

The University is co-chair holder together with the University of Clermont Auvergne in France.

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EPSRC-funded software for
research communities project

Positions OpenMM community
at forefront of latest CADD
developments

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Atomistic simulations constitute one of the primary uses of high-performance computing in research, as they establish the foundation of Research and Development procedures in the chemical and biological sectors. Among the plethora of open-source academic software, OpenMM has the quickest rate of growth due to its excellent tradeoff between extensibility via a robust user interface, and performance on GPUs. This has caused the

OpenMM user base, which was initially focused on the biomolecular simulation community, to expand rapidly.

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Department for
Business, Energy
& Industrial Strategy

UK Science and Technology Minister launches new global international science partnership

A new global research fund to deepen scientific collaboration between the UK and international R&D powers like Japan will be opened with an initial £119 million in UK Government funding, UK Science Minister George Freeman announced in Tokyo, Japan.

The UK Science Minister was in Tokyo, Japan yesterday to announce the first phase of the new International Science Partnerships Fund (ISPF). The fund will support and fund UK scientists and innovators to work with peers around the world on some of the most pressing issues facing our world.

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Department
of Health &
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Antimicrobial resistance national action plan – call for evidence

The government is developing the next 5-year national action plan on antimicrobial resistance (AMR). The plan will run from 2024 until 2029.

We would like you to tell us your thoughts and evidence for us to consider in making this plan.

We encourage input from technical experts – including on human health, animal and plant health, food and AMR in the environment.

The closing date for this consultation is 11:45pm on 20th January 2023.

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Technology adoption creates greater cyber risk

Technology makes life easier and more efficient. But as our reliance grows, so does cyber risk. Understanding and controlling this risk is vital, as is understanding that as our technologies and behaviours develop, the criminals evolve to take advantage. Failure to identify new threats could be catastrophic.

This article will explore how technology is attacked, why today's cyber solutions might not provide protection tomorrow, and how to keep one step ahead of the bad guys.

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Mitigating risk: A conversation with Biocair's Sarah Pentney

Cold chain management continues to grow more complex as regulations change, clinical trials become more global and treatments are increasingly personalised. Risk mitigation strategies to ensure the safe transport of time- and temperature-sensitive shipments are vital in a time where global supply chain disruptions are not just likely but expected.

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Events

Upcoming Sector Events



Formulating the Future: Accelerating Oral Drug Development & Manufacturing

Catalent

Thursday 19th January 2023
Royal Society of Chemistry, London

This event brings together experts in formulation and manufacturing sciences to discuss such challenges and offer solutions related to improving bioavailability, application of different pharmaceutical technologies for dosage form designs, optimizing manufacturing and scaling supply, and accelerating progression to clinic and on to market success.

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Synthetic Chemistry Aspects of Drug Discovery and Early Development Projects



Tuesday 31st January 2023
Online



Edge Hill University Biosciences Careers Event



**Edge Hill
University**

Wednesday 25th January 2023
Edge Hill University, Ormskirk

The aim of the event is to provide a platform for employers to promote their organisation and their opportunities to students, whether these be volunteering, placement or paid roles. The event is free to attend and attendees will be provided with free car parking and refreshments on arrival. For those organisations who attend, we will also add their vacancies and events to our portal throughout the year and promote these to our students on their behalf.

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QIAGEN Lunch and Learn

Chemistry is fundamental to the drug discovery process with discovery chemists at the front end of the process and development chemists in the latter stages.

This webinar will provide an understanding of the specific skills that are required of the chemist to successfully navigate the earlier and latter stages of the drug discovery process, and how the two disciplines have apparent differences.

There are two sessions at 10:00 and 16:00 (GMT) to choose from.

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National Apprenticeship Week 2023 - ATAC Roadshow



**7th - 9th February 2023
Various Locations**

National Apprenticeship Week 2023 aims to shine a light on the amazing work being done by employers and apprentices across the country, whilst showcasing and encouraging everyone to consider how apprenticeships can help both with new talent and to upskill the existing workforce to develop #skillsforlife. To join in the national and cross-sectoral celebrations, the double award-winning Advanced Therapies Apprenticeship Community (ATAC) is hosting three regional events for potential and existing ATAC apprentices and employers.



**Thursday 2nd February 2023
Helix Rooms, Alderley Park
Conference Centre**

Join QIAGEN Specialists on Thursday 2nd February 2023 for a Lunch and Learn of QIAGEN's latest innovations! Experience QIAGEN's latest instruments and listen to specialists discuss how QIAGEN can support your research in areas of Cell and Gene Therapy, Biomarker Discovery and Cancer Therapy.

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