

UKSPA Summer Conference

2025 Innovation, Science Park and BBSRC



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AberInnovation (Opened 2021) A development hotel, supporting bio-based solutions for a sustainable planet



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Launchpad
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LEAP
Link Lewis Legacy Entrepreneurship
Acceleration Programme

- Innovation ecosystem in Wales, for the UK
- Focussed on food & drink, nutrition, animal feed, health and the circular economy
- Access to R&D facilities, technical experts and incubation space (labs and offices)
- 52 tenants and members
- Access to Accelerator programmes, R&D vouchers and funding

Babraham Research Campus, Cambridge Life Sciences

- Research Institute established in 1948, commercial campus established in 1996
- 440,000 sq ft of adaptable lab and office space
- 60 companies on site ranging from 2 employees to 150+
- 2,000 employees and 300 academic researchers on site
- Access to research facilities at the Babraham Institute
- Facilitated campus networks to aid innovation and development



LiveLabs

Recently expanded, flexible co-working space for upto 30 early-stage companies





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Easterbush Campus – A National Hub for Animal Bioscience, Agri-Tech & Aquaculture (A3) and One Health

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CITY REGION DEAL

Edinburgh & South East Scotland



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SCIENCE ZONE

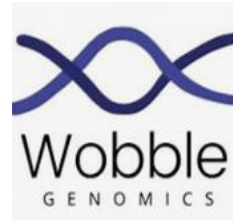
- Established Aug 2017
- 50,000 square ft – labs/offices on campus with agriculture and engineering via RIC field station
- For Entrepreneur to Micro to SME
- 22 companies in A3, 13 companies in One Health
- Collaborative community focus with campus and virtual events
- Access to collaborative innovation funding
- Access to Founder, Venture Builder & Accelerator Programmes



ROSLIN
Technologies



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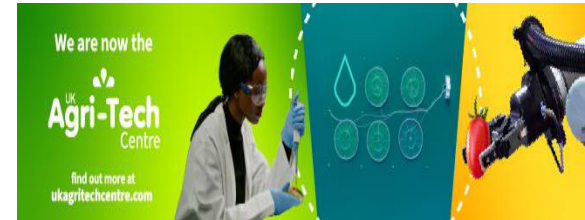


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FOOD & AGRICULTURE
SCIENCE TRANSFORMER

- Access to Specialist Facilities – Roslin Institute & Vet School on campus
- Access to Agritech Centre – Northern Hub & wider MSZ
- Access to University of Edinburgh Facilities & those in South East Scotland



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Data-Driven
Innovation



Maximising the impact of publicly funded research

Serving four global markets: Agri-biotech, Food biotech, Industrial biotech, Med tech



VENGROVE

**New 62,000 sq
ft laboratory
and office
building**



- Established 1992 (2012)
- 100,000 sq ft start-up space
- 1.6m sq ft planning consent
- 30,000 people on site
- £318m Next Generation Infrastructure (JIC / TSL)
- Technology platforms
- 50 tenants/virtual tenants
- 100+ Microbiology groups
- Funding
 - Public Funded Research
 - Philanthropic
 - Real Estate
 - VC Investment
 - Corporate
- Enterprise support
- Industry Links / Explorer Forums

Rothamsted Campus

A World-Renowned Research and Innovation Campus in Agritech



- Set up in 2015
- Joint Venture
- 300 Academics
- 36 Tenants
- 321 Jobs
- 16 million impact to the local economy per year
- 3324 Sqm of space
- 81,000,000 investment raised by companies
- Based in the Oxford, Cambridge, London Arch



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