

NORWICH RESEARCH PARK



INTRODUCTION

A UNIQUE RESEARCH AND ENTERPRISE  
COMMUNITY TAKING SCIENCE TO THE  
NEXT LEVEL.



With four specialist research institutes, a teaching hospital, a top 25\* university, 100,000 sq ft built and let to high-tech companies and 1.6M sq ft of planning consent, Norwich Research Park is an exceptional environment for successful science, innovation, and business.

This unique community specialises in research and development in four global markets:

- Industrial Biotech/Engineering Biology
- Agri Biotech
- Food Biotech
- Medtech.

Businesses on campus benefit from access to:

- A specialist skills pool
- Community events and networking
- A campus-wide enterprise strategy with access to pre-seed, seed funding, growth funds and support
- Access to specialist technology platforms in one of the largest research clusters in Europe
- A range of industry events
- A full suite of amenities including a café, restaurant, nursery, sports centre, meeting rooms and conference centre.



\*The Complete University Guide 2024



A DEDICATED, ON-SITE  
TEAM TO SUPPORT YOUR  
BUSINESS DAY-TO-DAY.



Anglia Innovation Partnership (AIP) is the science park management company managing Norwich Research Park. Established by the research community in 2012, AIP provides a full range of science park management services, to build a successful campus ecosystem.

The team includes specialists in facilities management, asset management, planning and development, marketing, finance, and community building.

Services include:

**Community Building** – AIP provides a comprehensive programme, including business, social and sports events running regularly throughout the year, to help businesses attract and retain staff and facilitate collaboration within our research community.

**Business Development** – AIP is raising the profile of the park within relevant global markets which will benefit all companies on-site and help attract new companies to join our growing community.

**Enterprise Strategy** – Our campus wide enterprise strategy includes funding and support for spin-outs and spin-in companies and access to pre-seed, seed and growth funds.

**Park Profile** – Companies working in Agri Biotech, Food Biotech, Industrial Biotech and Medtech benefit from the strong profile of the Norwich Research Park location, and the AIP team also provides a platform to help companies with promotion.

**Development Management** – With 1.6M sq ft of planning consent, the team can develop new accommodation to meet your needs now and in the future. Everything from flexible laboratories and offices, to grow-on space and bespoke buildings on a pre-let basis.

**Letting and Asset Management** – Over the last five years the AIP team has undertaken new lettings, and lease renewals, retaining 97% of companies and enabling many companies to stay and grow at the campus, including offering a virtual tenancy service.

**Facilities Management** – Working with the partners and businesses on-site, to share information and provide support on items such as emergency procedures and emergency response, health and safety management regimes, risk assessments, service charge management, car park management and security issues.



## OUR SECTORS

# TAKING SCIENCE TO THE NEXT LEVEL, BY WORKING TO IMPROVE LIVES AND ENSURING A FUTURE FOR ALL.



Norwich Research Park is using scientific research into living systems to help solve some of the world's greatest challenges employing advanced techniques in fields such as plant biology, bioinformatics, microbiology and genomics.

The park is already home to a community of over 30 businesses working across a number of disciplines as either physical or virtual tenants. These companies are a critical part of the campus vision as businesses translate research into applications that can benefit people's lives, create jobs and contribute to economic prosperity.

Scientists on the campus collaborate to share their expertise and work towards solving global challenges, and with so many successful organisations working so closely, a number of alliances and networks have formed on the park to work in multi-disciplinary teams.



### The global markets we work in:

#### Agri Biotech

A sub sector of the Agritech global market, we research the gene level of plants, to better understand how plants work and how we can make beneficial changes for agriculture.

A campus specialism is crop biotechnology focusing on improving crops at a gene level so that they are:

1. More resilient to changes in weather caused by climate change, such as drought and flooding.
2. Capable of surviving in challenging environments to feed a growing global population.
3. More resistant to disease, pathogens and pests to reducing the use of harmful pesticides and fertilisers and prevents large losses in yields.
4. More nutritious to support healthy ageing.

Gene editing is an important part of the research undertaken on campus. It allows scientists to speed up traditional plant breeding methods by making small edits to genes in plants, which can create versions of that plant that are more weather or disease resistant, or more nutritious. With the passing of the Genetic Technology Precision Breeding Bill in 2023, it will be possible to increase the work undertaken in the precision breeding of crops, foods and plants in the UK that have health, environmental or commercial benefits.



#### Industrial Biotech

Engineering Biology and working with nature to help solve the world's problems.

Industrial Biotech includes the sustainable production of materials, chemicals and fuel from living cells or enzymes.

At Norwich Research Park, we specialise in the mechanisms by which plants and microbes produce new materials and molecules with bioactive properties. This knowledge can then be used to increase yields and create products of commercial and societal interest, such as new materials, personal care products, functional foods, new antibiotics, new therapeutics, and alternatives to current pesticides.

Biotechnology can be defined broadly as anything involving the use of living systems and organisms

to develop or make products and services. That could include making things like pharmaceuticals, antibiotics, vaccines, biocomposites, chemicals and even everyday things like beer.

Industrial biotechnology is biotechnology applied in an industrial setting for sustainable processing and production of chemical products, materials, and fuels.

Colorifix is an excellent example of a biotechnology company based at Norwich Research Park, that bioengineers microbes to produce dyes for the textile industry. This has the massive benefit of reducing water consumption and environmental damage compared to conventional dyeing.



#### Food Biotech

Includes the development and testing of novel foods, exploring nutritional value and the effects of food on human health with a particular focus on the microbiome.

Norwich Research Park has developed a unique multi-disciplinary approach to food innovation, development and safety with a specialisation in the field of food and health and the fundamental relationship between them.

The microbiome is a term used to describe all the microorganisms in a particular environment. Referring to the human microbiome would mean all the microbes that live in, and on a human body. Our bodies contain more microorganisms than cells, and they play an important role in many elements of human health.

Developing our understanding of the gut microbiome will enable researchers and clinicians

to develop new therapies and treatments to combat diseases and maintain well-being throughout life. Researchers at Norwich Research Park are researching what constitutes a healthy microbiome, to understand the differences that lead to disease. If the changes that are causing a disease are known, it can enable the potential discovery of treatments and prevention methods.

Our researchers are creating new innovative food products that will provide healthier alternatives to foods that have high sugar and fat content, and contribute to diseases like type 2 diabetes and heart disease.

We are also trying to understand the pathogens that are present in food preparation and processing environments, such as Listeria and Salmonella, so that we can find ways to reduce or eliminate the presence of these pathogens in the food industry across the world.



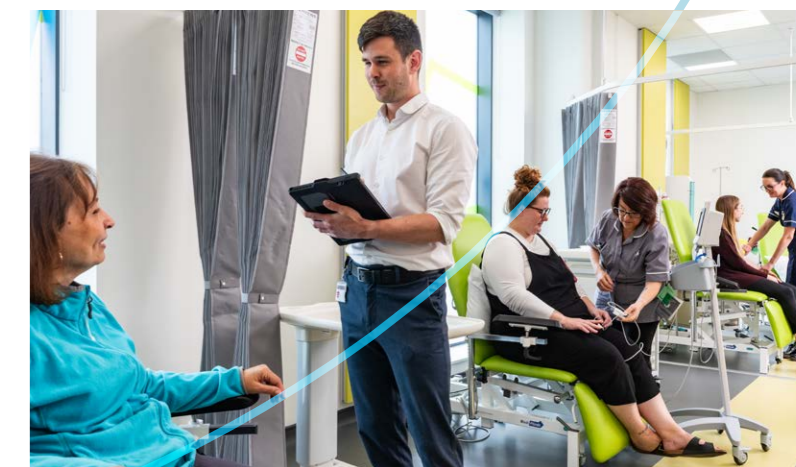
#### Medtech

At Norwich Research Park clinical researchers, scientists and entrepreneurs work collaboratively to drive innovation and create solutions in medical research and development.

The campus is the home of the Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital (NNUH), where dedicated research staff can be performing up to 300 active studies at one time ranging from small local studies to those that are multi-site across the UK and the globe.

These activities take place across a range of purpose-built facilities including the Clinical Research Facility at the Quadram Institute and the Bob Champion Research and Education Building owned and managed by the UEA in partnership with the hospital.

The campus is also home to the Norwich Institute for Healthy Ageing (NIHA), which combines world-class research in nutrition [UEA was ranked 1st for this subject out of 157 in the Research Excellence Framework 2021] with behaviour science. NIHA's research is co-produced by multi-disciplinary teams to empower people and communities to make positive choices to benefit their health and well-being.



FUNDING AND PARTNERS

NORWICH RESEARCH PARK IS ONE OF THE LARGEST LIFE SCIENCE RESEARCH CLUSTERS IN EUROPE.



There are over 100 science parks in the UK, but only five are strategically funded by the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC), as Research and Innovation campuses.

Norwich Research Park is one of the five BBSRC research and innovation campuses in the UK.

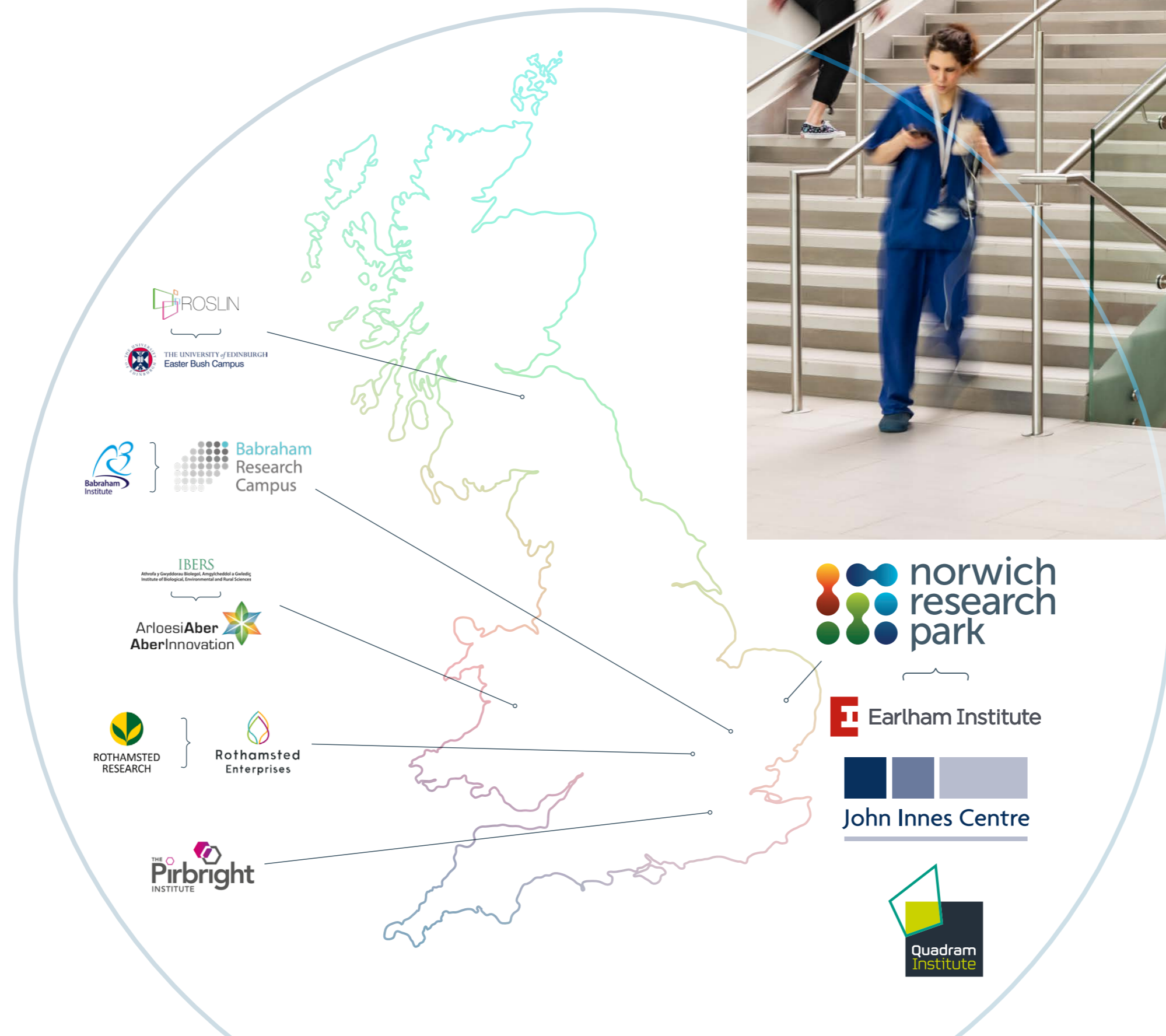
Uniquely, Norwich Research Park is the only campus with three of BBSRC's eight research institutes on site!

- Earham Institute
- John Innes Centre
- Quadram Institute

As well as these three institutes, the park is home to a fourth institute: The Sainsbury Laboratory, which is funded by the Gatsby Charitable Foundation, the University of East Anglia and a BBSRC Institute Strategic Programme Grant in partnership with the John Innes Centre. The site is also home to the Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital, the University of East Anglia and over 30 companies.

Co-location, collaboration and sharing one vision

The co-location of these organisations has resulted in many successful collaborations, and importantly, these institutions are all united through AIP as part of the Board of directors. This means at the highest level these organisations share one vision for Norwich Research Park to develop, and grow a successful science and innovation campus containing a thriving ecosystem of private sector bioscience research-based enterprises, supporting spin-out and start-up companies and attracting inward investment from larger corporates.



Building on the success of the past and ensuring a successful future.

In 2023 the Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill received Royal Assent. This new Act of Parliament allows the commercialisation of gene editing research in England, for the first time. This is ahead of mainland Europe.

At the start of 2023, the Government Office for Science launched the results of a study: Life Science beyond human health which recognises the untapped potential in 'Modern Industrial Biotechnology' (agri biotech, food biotech and industrial biotechnology). The study identifies Norwich Research Park as a case in point – experts in modern industrial biotechnology with multiple applications.

Mid 2023 saw £164M of investment announced by the BBSRC for Norwich Research Park's research institutes. This is part of its five-yearly strategic research programme and represents 40% of BBSRC's total budget. To quote Professor Neil Hall, the Director of the Earham Institute, "This will fund ambitious, highly-collaborative and multi-disciplinary research... which will be transformative... and benefit global society".

Also, in June 2023 UK Research and Innovation confirmed a major investment in a plant and microbial research hub at Norwich Research Park, totalling £318M over seven years. This infrastructure fund will create a new interdisciplinary hub, and as Professor Nick Talbot, Director of the Sainsbury Laboratory, stated "It exemplifies the UK's confidence in the future of our research institutes" (at Norwich Research Park).

## RESEARCH PARTNERS

### John Innes Centre

World-Leading Plant and Microbial Science.

The John Innes Centre is a world-leading international centre of excellence in plant science, genetics and microbiology, which takes a curiosity-driven approach to fundamental questions in bioscience, with a view to translating that into societal benefits.

Over the last 100 years, the John Innes Centre has achieved a range of fundamental breakthroughs, resulting in major societal impacts. For every £1 invested in the John Innes Centre, £15.22 is generated for the wider UK economy.

Together with The Sainsbury Laboratory, and our collaborators on the Norwich Research Park we have launched a collaborative vision, Healthy Plants, Healthy People, Healthy Planet ([www.hp3.org](http://www.hp3.org)) to bring knowledge, skills and innovation together to create a world where we can sustainably feed a growing population, mitigate the effects of climate change and use our understanding of plants and microbes to develop foods and discover compounds to improve public health.

Investment has been secured to transform the research infrastructure, and to create a world-leading hub for HP3 on the Norwich Research Park.

The John Innes Centre has a wide range of technology platforms operated by experts, which are available for academia, business, and industry to support research and development activity. These platforms include bioimaging, entomology, genotyping, proteomics, field trials and crop transformation.

### Earlham Institute

Decoding Living Systems.

The Earlham Institute is a hub of life science research, training, and innovation focused on understanding the natural world through the lens of genomics. Their researchers apply the latest approaches in computational science and biotechnology to unravel the complexity of living systems to better understand, harness, and protect life on Earth.

The Institute brings together a unique combination of highly skilled, multi-disciplinary scientists with cutting-edge technology and platforms to deliver research impact in plant, animal and human health. These expert capabilities, alongside their development of standards and FAIR approaches, allow the Institute to pioneer the use of data-driven approaches to decode living systems and address fundamental biological questions.

Businesses can access the Institute's technology platforms and expertise through collaborations or a range of service agreements, as well as through our busy training and events calendar.



Food, Microbiome and Gut Health.

The Quadram Institute has been established on Norwich Research Park to harness world-class food and health bioscience and address global challenges to healthy ageing.

It is a partnership between Quadram Institute Bioscience, Norfolk and Norwich University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, University of East Anglia and the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC).

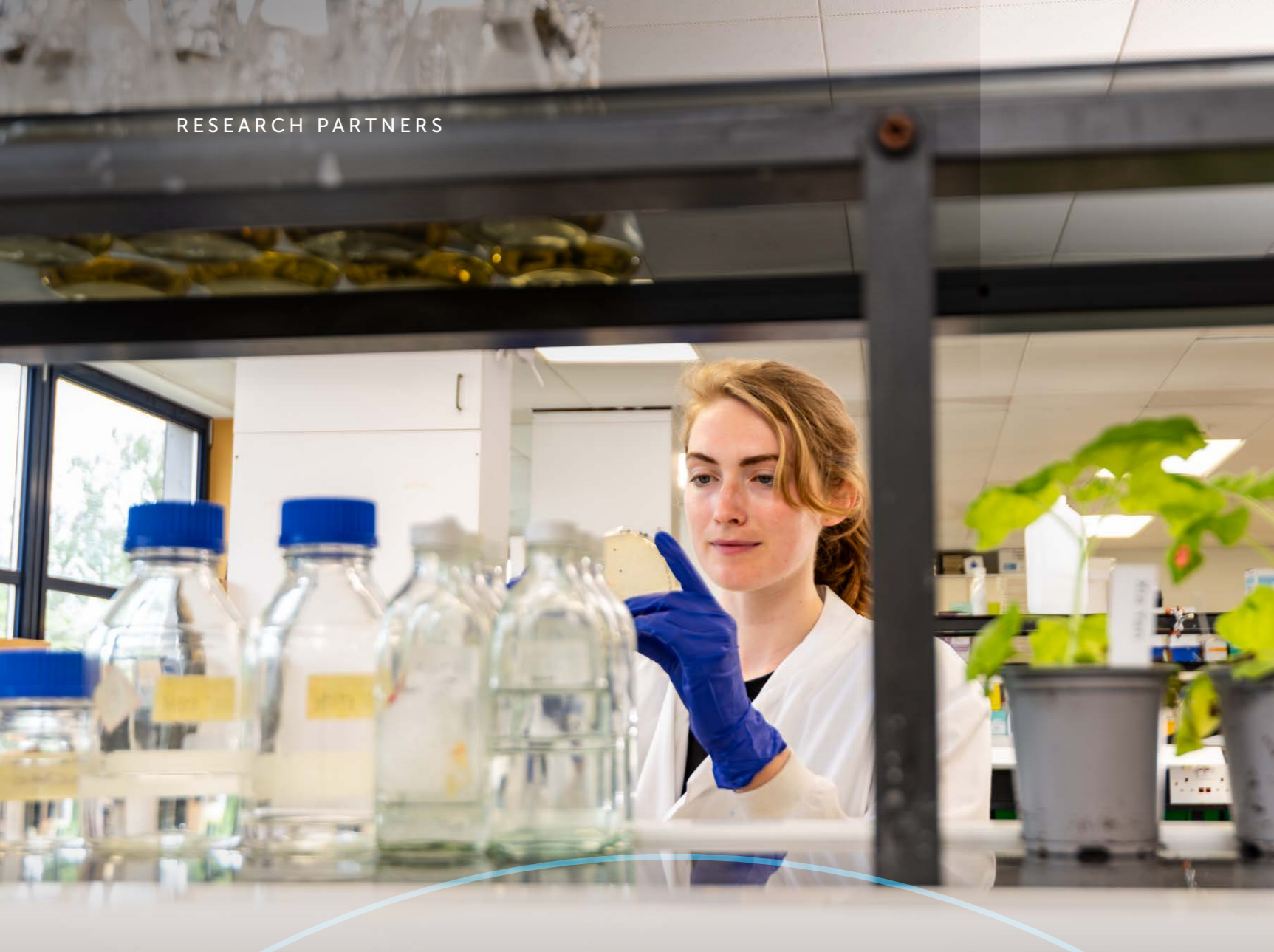
The Institute's vision is to understand how food and microbes interact to promote health and prevent disease. By bringing together clinicians and researchers working in bioscience and genomics, through food and into health, QI creates a pipeline of research with the potential to create real solutions, for example by creating new foods with verified benefits to human health.

QIB Extra is a subsidiary of the Quadram Institute. It provides short and long-term high-quality strategic and applied research and consulting services to commercial companies around the world in food production and manufacturing, environmental, agrifood, and allied sectors, as well as supporting collaborative projects between industry and academia.

The Biofortification Hub which is a partnership between Quadram Institute and the John Innes Centre, provides support and funding to applicants aiming to undertake innovative research projects in the area of biofortification, the development of crops, foods, feed and fodder with higher levels of nutrients.

The institute has the distinction of hosting the Food Standards Agency/BBSRC's UK Food Safety Research Network, which connects food industry, food and health policymakers and academia to collaboratively pursue shared research priorities that will protect the UK from foodborne hazards.

## RESEARCH PARTNERS



### Plant Health Discovery.

The Sainsbury Laboratory (TSL) is an independent research institute that focuses on plant health for a sustainable future.

Scientists at TSL make fundamental scientific discoveries in molecular plant-microbe interactions and apply these to reduce crop losses caused by plant diseases, particularly in low-income countries.

Research topics at the Laboratory include, plant disease resistance genes, the biology of pathogen effector proteins, innate immune recognition in plants signalling and cellular changes during plant-microbe interactions.

By utilizing plant and pathogen genomics and the latest biotech approaches, TSL can facilitate the rapid response to emerging plant diseases and accelerate the breeding of disease resistant crops.

The TSL Ventures program aims to connect fundamental research to innovative applications and supports the in-house development of new spin-out companies. Their Entrepreneur-in-Residence Programme embeds commercially-driven scientists into the research institute who are tasked with developing and following new ideas developed in TSL and associated research groups.

TSL also hosts the 2Blades group, which is focused on performing translational research leveraging the advanced understanding of molecular host-pathogen interactions at TSL to deliver new solutions against relevant plant diseases.

TSL and JIC have a joint vision 'Healthy Plants. Healthy People. Healthy Planet.' (HP3) which will be delivered by a state-of-the-art plant and microbial research hub due to be completed by 2030.

## Norfolk and Norwich University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

### Improving Health For All.

The Norfolk and Norwich University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (NNUH) is one of the busiest hospitals in the UK, it is a 1,200-bed teaching hospital providing acute care for around one million people living in Norfolk and surrounding areas.

It provides a full range of acute clinical services, including specialist services such as oncology and radiotherapy, neonatology, trauma and orthopaedics, plastic surgery, vascular surgery, robotic-assisted surgery, interventional radiology, brachytherapy, specialist cardiology, paediatric medicine and surgery.

As a teaching hospital, NNUH works closely with UEA's Medical School and School of Health Sciences, which incorporates nursing and midwifery. It delivers a high standard of training to students, postgraduates and professionals both within the hospital and in the bespoke Bob Champion Research and Education Building.

The hospitals clinical research facility is one of only a small number in the UK, and is an important facility for testing new medical treatments and devices.



## UEA University of East Anglia

### Driving Global Change.

UEA is ranked 26th by The Times/Sunday Times Good University Guide 2024 and 22nd by the Complete University Guide 2024. UEA is committed to the translation and commercialisation of research to have a real-world impact, supporting our academics to establish spin-out companies in sectors spanning pharmacy, biotechnology, engineering, meteorology, publishing and education.

With 17,000 students of which 6,000 are early career researchers, the University is teaching the next generation of young scientists, clinicians and business leaders, in schools such as the School of Biological Sciences, the Norwich Medical School and the Norwich Business School. Graduates from the university will help to provide the next generation of scientists needed by companies on and off-site.

The Norwich Institute for Healthy Ageing and the Norwich Institute for Sustainable Development are both institutes being driven by the UEA that feature multi-disciplinary teams from across the other institutes on campus that work on similar research themes which will be boosted by the introduction of the University's new research pillar HealthUEA.

The Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research and ClimateUEA are leading the way in climate research for 50 years, using world-leading expertise to tackle the unprecedented environmental and social challenges caused by climate change. Their research informs policy, helping shape a global response to climate change, bringing together a multi-disciplinary team of experts to collaborate, innovate and discover, whilst training the next generation of climate thought leaders.



Supported by:





ENTERPRISE

## Tropic

Agri Biotech  
Tropic


Tropic is an innovative biotech business that harnesses genetic technologies to develop improved plant varieties of tropical crops like banana and rice that are more profitable for farmers, healthier for consumers and friendlier to the planet.

Proximity to the science research at the John Innes Centre has supported Tropic to grow on the park from a small team using laboratory space in the John Innes Centre to a business of over 150 staff with multiple labs, office spaces, and controlled environment growth rooms within the Innovation Centre.

Tropic is making tropical agriculture more productive and sustainable by using cutting-edge genetic innovation, enabling brighter futures for growers who need it most. Quite simply Tropic is building the food system of tomorrow. By 2050, half of the world's population will reside in tropical regions. By using science to accelerate the development of crop varieties, and make them better suited to this growing environment, this will allow farmers to produce more food, and have greater ability to overcome the increase of crop diseases brought on by climate change.

Working in this way, Tropic can successfully close the gap between food scarcity and food waste and rewrite the system so farmers gain more worth for their work and retain higher yields to ensure there is enough food to go around.

tropic.bio

Industrial Biotechnology/Engineering Biology  
Colorifix

Colorifix is the first company to use a biological process to produce, deposit and fix pigments onto textiles. Their innovative biotechnology uses microbes to produce natural dyes for the textiles and fashion industry with a process that has a far lower impact than conventional chemical dyeing. The company takes inspiration from nature and is able to minimise the environmental impact of industrial dyeing by replacing chemistry with biology at every step in the process, from the creation of the dyes to their fixation into fabrics.

Based on academic research at the University of Cambridge, Colorifix is a 'spin-in' to Norwich Research Park, joining the community to benefit from the facilities and expertise including using the Earlham Institute's Biofoundry technology platform to support their research.

colorifix.com



## IDEAS CAN BECOME REALITY, THROUGH ENTERPRISE.

With a history of translating science into industry, either directly from the six centres of knowledge on campus, or through the introduction of collaborative partnerships; enterprise activity is key to the success of Norwich Research Park.

The campus has a proven track record in the generation and development of successful businesses producing products and services that are literally changing the world for the better.

The campus team encourages and supports the community to collaborate and explore opportunities to grow successful businesses.

## ALORA

Agri Biotech  
ALORA

ALORA's mission is to solve world hunger. ALORA has developed a pioneering platform to generate climate adaptive crops from salt-tolerance to heat-tolerance and increasing yield. They are redefining how we grow our food, providing innovative solutions, in the face of climate change. The vision is 'Ocean Agriculture' a reimagined food production system without fertilisers or pesticides and most importantly no fresh water. From adaptive crops to floating oceanic farms ALORA is at the forefront of agribiotech innovation.

Inspired by the natural resilience of plants, ALORA's science identifies and activates clusters of native genes that confer traits such as salt or heat tolerance in commercial crops. Rice, a staple crop for over half the world's population, is the first target. In 2025, ALORA launched the UK's first rice field trial to demonstrate their yield-boosting varieties, that can increase yields by up to 53.3%. ALORA's heat tolerance trait can increase yields by 273.5% under heat stress. All demonstrated in glasshouse trials conducted on-site.

ALORA is a highly dynamic and innovative start-up. Born in Yorkshire, shaped in San Francisco, cultivated in Ontario, and returning proudly to their roots, in the UK, in 2024. They are now part of the vibrant ecosystem at Norwich Research Park, pioneering the sustainable future of agriculture.

alora.world



Agri Biotech  
PfBio

Providing bioactive bacteria-based solutions to promote plant health and protect crops from major agricultural diseases. Their highly efficient discovery platform BioSIFT gives the ability to analyse the microbes present in farmland and quickly identify the bioactive strains to use in their bioactive products.

Solutions are specifically tailored to specific crops and crop diseases. They don't only protect plants but also have the potential to enhance soil quality, leading to healthy plants and increased yield.

[pfbio.co.uk](http://pfbio.co.uk)



Agri Biotech  
**HotHouse Therapeutics**

HotHouse Therapeutics is a new synthetic biology company, aiming to exploit the biochemical diversity of the plant kingdom to deliver new drugs and other high-value compounds.

A large proportion of drugs in current use are plant-sourced natural products or are derived from plant-sourced intermediates. However, many compounds of potential interest to drug hunters cannot be accessed in a cost-effective or sustainable manner from their wild source, nor can they be synthesised chemically. This is the area of natural product discovery and development that Hothouse will exploit.

HotHouse Therapeutics has the ability to rapidly identify and isolate entire biosynthetic pathways from members of the plant kingdom and reconstruct those pathways in other plants in a precise and scalable manner. The aim is to produce, manipulate and develop small molecule bioactives to achieve new drug modalities through the assembly and manipulation of multi-enzyme biosynthetic pathways.



Agri Biotech/Food Biotech  
Persephone Bio

Using a synthetic biology approach that combines genetic modification and gene editing with conventional breeding, Persephone is developing metabolically engineered tomatoes with bio active compounds.

The tomato's bio active compounds are derived from naturally occurring polyphenolic compound including anthocyanins, flavanols and phytohormones. These bio active compounds have been linked to anti-ageing protecting the skin from DNA damage, and photo ageing from UV light.

Persephone has developed tomato varieties producing fruit with elevated levels of a range of bio active compounds for applications in cosmetics and skin care.

[persephonebio.co.uk](http://persephonebio.co.uk)



Food Biotech  
MvPea

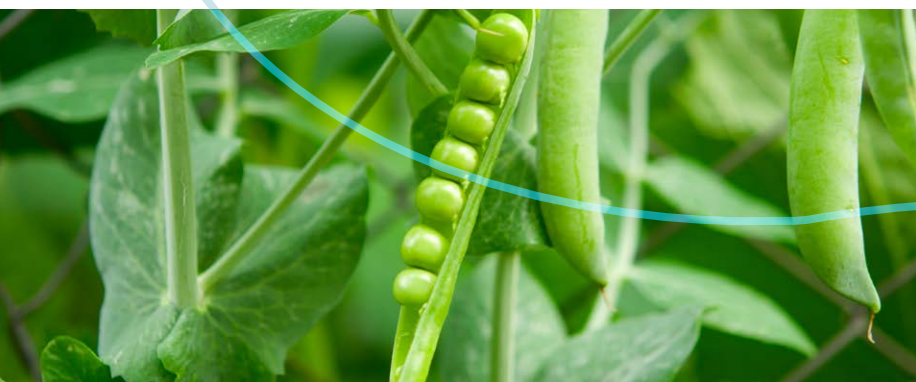
With the aim to commercialise pea varieties, with beneficial health properties, the first pea variety targeted to commercialise is the Golden Resistance VP01 wrinkled pea variety.

The unique benefit of this pea is that it is naturally high in resistant starch resulting in slower carbohydrate absorption and a low glycemic index. Its consumption provides high nutritional value and is beneficial for both gut health and people with diabetic conditions.

The technology behind the peas is a result of scientific development from the John Innes Centre, Quadrum Institute and Imperial College London

Utilising a science-based approach to product development, MVPea is harnessing the nutritional benefits of the golden resistance peas to create a range of healthy snack products. They are committed to producing nutritious and healthy pea-based products.

[mvpea.co.uk](http://mvpea.co.uk)



Agri Biotech  
TraitSeq

TraitSeq has developed an AI-based pipeline that will benefit agrochemical and plant breeding companies by accelerating product development and enriching crop breeding strategies.

This is a low-cost, high throughput, platform technology that consists of both laboratory and computational components. Using bespoke machine learning methods, TraitSeq identifies biomarkers that are utilised for training predictive models for complex traits in crops.

TraitSeq's trait prediction models achieve beyond state-of-the-art levels of accuracy and can incorporate environmental variation – enabling highly accurate trait performance predictions in the field.

[traitseq.com](http://traitseq.com)



Medtech  
Virilitas

Looking to give confidence in reproductive health, Virilitas are developing diagnostics and interventions for male fertility to help people achieve parenthood.

A lot of men face fertility issues. Traditionally when it comes to infertility options, treatments are mostly directed to females and up until now male fertility has been disregarded for many decades.

The company's new home screening kit will provide men with the first step towards understanding their fertility.

[virilitaslabs.com](http://virilitaslabs.com)



Industrial Biotech  
Cellexcel

Providing a molecular-level process to enhance the performance and increase the usage of plant-based fibres and fabrics in manufacturing. This new technology is forecast to extend and accelerate the adoption of biocomposites, leading to a significant reduction in greenhouse gases.

A spin-out company from UEA, the company has been formed to take advantage of the rapid growth forecast for the use of composite materials in industry.

The ability to replace materials, which generate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, with biomaterials that capture CO<sub>2</sub>, has become a matter of urgency across multiple industries, including automotive and aerospace.

[cellexcel.co.uk](http://cellexcel.co.uk)



## OUR COMMUNITY



### A Community of Mutual Regard

Through community events and enterprise activity, managed by AIP, new multi-disciplinary teams are being created to help solve the world's problems.

- **A growing business community** – 100,000 sq ft built and let to over 30 companies and a programme of business networking events and social activities.
- **Access to specialist research facilities and talent pool** – one of five BBSRC funded research campuses in the UK, with four research institutes, a top 20 university, and a teaching hospital.
- **Campus Wide Enterprise Strategy** – stimulating new opportunities using a pipeline of pre-seed, seed and growth funding, regular networking events and start-up support.
- **A high-quality environment** – walking, running and cycling routes, gym, swimming and fitness classes, a 120-seat café and restaurant and terrace in Centrum, a successful nursery, flexible meeting rooms and conference venue.

• **A high-quality of life** – a beautiful medieval cathedral city, open countryside, The Broads, extensive coastline, and a national park make Norfolk a fantastic county to call home.

• **Connectivity** – quick link to the major road network, 20 minutes from Norwich International Airport, direct trains to Cambridge and London, good public bus service and cycle paths link to the city centre.

• **Range of accommodation** – offices, laboratories and 1.6M sq ft of outline planning consent to meet a company's needs now, and in the future, all based in an Enterprise Zone.

• **Environment, Social and Governance** – a growing programme of initiatives to encourage positive environmental and social impact including a green travel plan, school engagement and support for groups promoting equality across the campus.

## BUILDING A COMMUNITY OF LIKE-MINDED PEOPLE TO ENHANCE THE EXPERIENCE OF WORKING ON CAMPUS AND DRIVE COLLABORATION.

Researchers, clinicians, entrepreneurs and business people come together to inspire each other by their difference and look for opportunities to collaborate to solve some of the world's greatest problems.



AIP launched a Campus-Wide Enterprise Strategy, to support the creation and development of new businesses from research activity at the partner institutes and university.

- **Explorer Forums** – bringing together multi-disciplinary teams to collaborate and consider solutions to industry and global challenges. Explorer funding is up to a value of £5,000.
- **Pre-Seed: including Innovate UK ICURe entrepreneur identification and development** – assessment of ideas, support to market test a potential new product or service.
- **Pre-Seed: preparing for incorporation and investment** – AIP Pre-Seed Enterprise Fund supporting grants of up to £30,000.
- **Seed Fund: new company investment** – SEIS/EIS seed fund access to £1M raised for investment in Norwich, Manchester and Belfast, and access to Innovate UK grants to match fund, with £7.3M available in total.
- **Growth Fund: investment in company growth** – access to growth funds interested in the new campus-wide pipeline of investible opportunities and access to circa £100M of venture capital.



## OUR AMENITIES



Amenities on the campus include:

### Health and fitness

Access to nature in beautiful, landscaped surroundings with jogging, walking, and cycling routes across the campus grounds.

UEA Sports Park includes:

- Gym
- Fitness classes
- Olympic-sized swimming pool
- Squash courts
- Climbing wall

### Community activities

Enterprise Showcase events

Senior team lunches

Occupier networking

Tai Chi and Pilates classes

Quiz nights

Charity events

Community barbecue

### Food and drink

Both the Centrum and the Innovation Centre buildings provide coffee bars serving hot and cold drinks, sandwiches and snacks.

The Centrum building also provides a restaurant with indoor and outdoor terrace dining, serving a choice of freshly made hot and cold food.

The Centrum staff also provide catering for company meetings and corporate events.

### Meetings and events

Centrum provides a range of meeting rooms, all equipped with AV technology, available to hire on flexible rates.

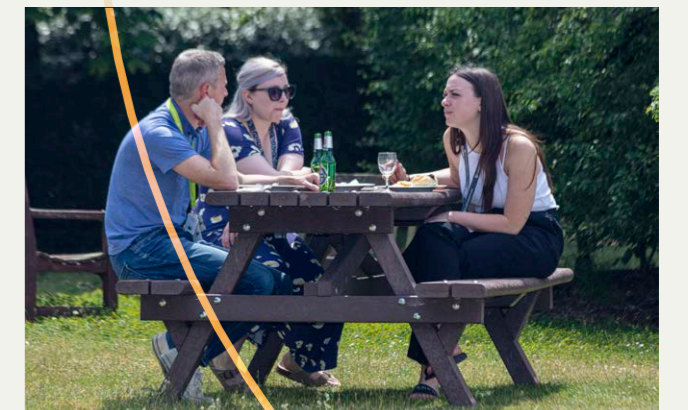
There is also a large atrium that can be used for larger corporate events such as business dinners, which are all catered for on-site.

### Childcare

A successful nursery offering full day childcare places for ages 0-5 years. The crèche facilities include a large secure outside play area and a holiday club for children up to 8 years.

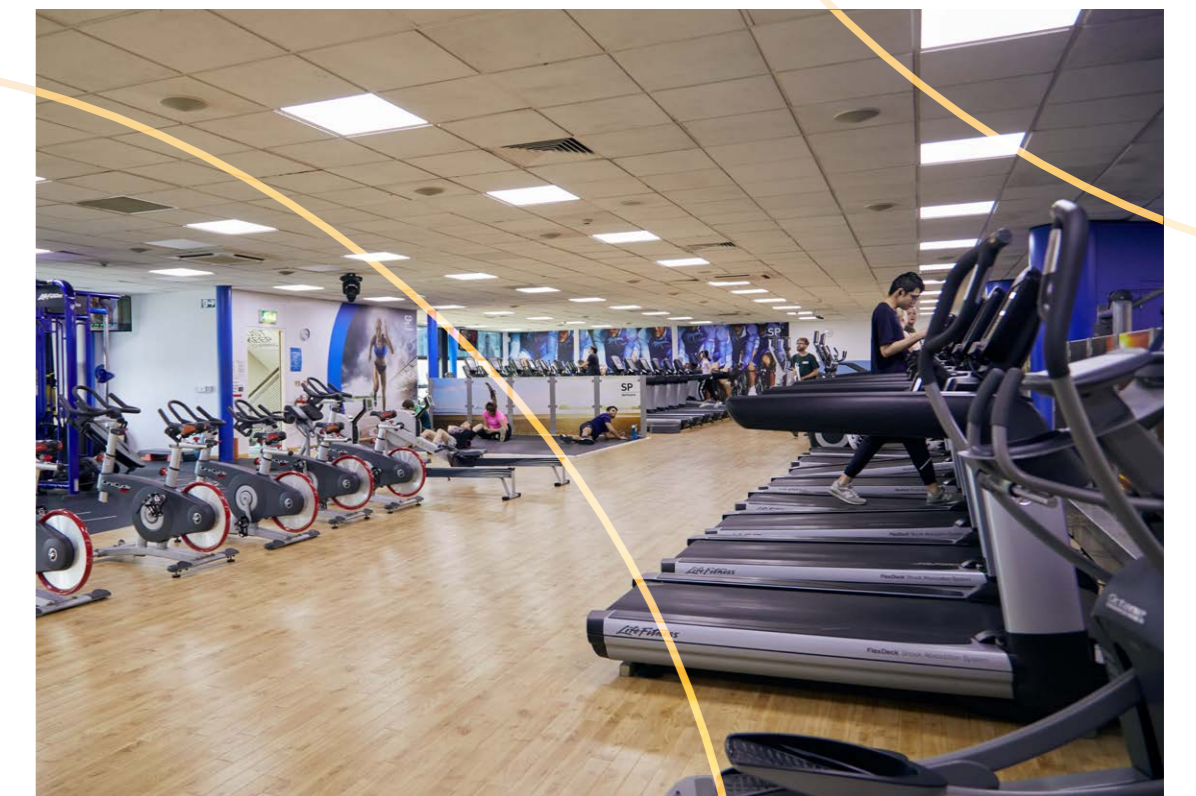
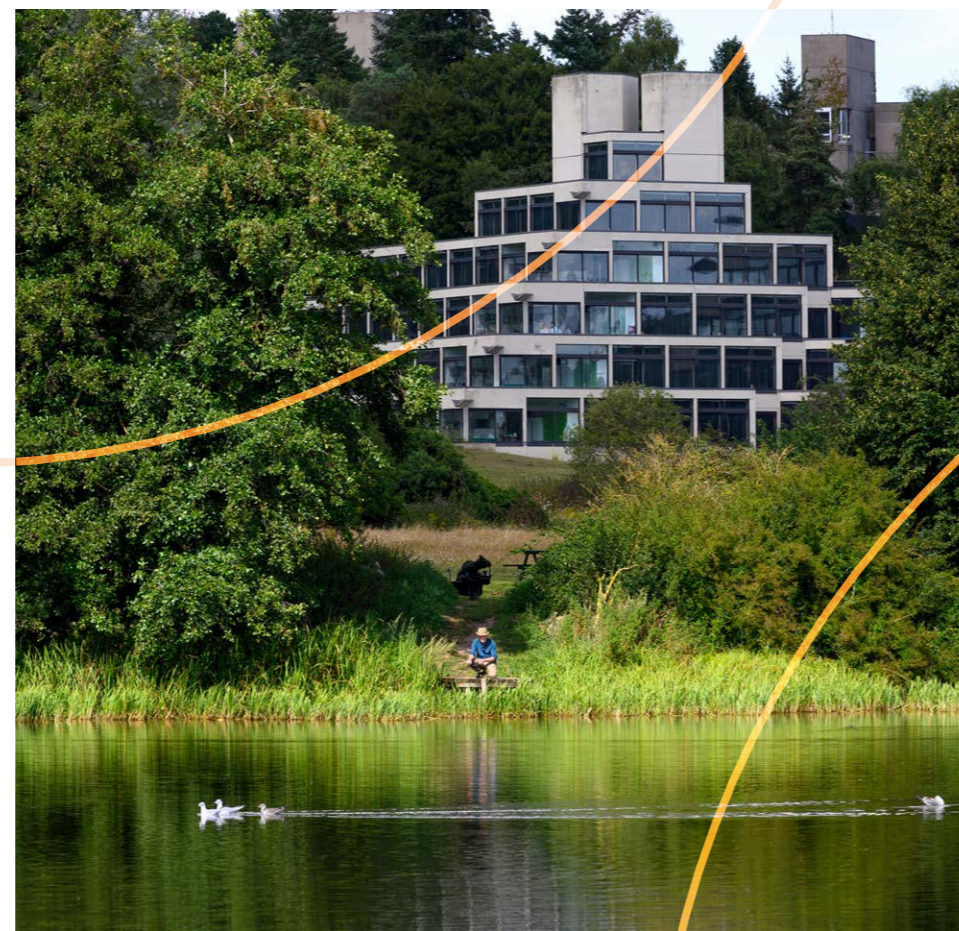
### Conference Centre

The John Innes Conference Centre is a great place to hold a large event, with a 320-seat auditorium, four adaptable seminar rooms, a gallery and a foyer, each with a full AV suite. The facility is available to hire by external companies and the dedicated Conference Centre staff offer a flexible and adaptive environment for a range of events including conferences, concerts, debates, exhibitions and more.



## A HIGH-QUALITY ENVIRONMENT TO HELP ATTRACT AND RETAIN THE BEST STAFF.

As a community of 30,000 people on-site each day, there is a full range of amenities available which benefits our growing community.



## ACCOMMODATION

# A WIDE RANGE OF ACCOMMODATION TO MEET YOUR NEEDS NOW, AND IN THE FUTURE.

Norwich Research Park offers opportunities to new, growing and established businesses. The Park has Enterprise Zone status and 1.6M sq ft of planning consent for substantial future growth.

With over 30 businesses based in the Innovation Centre, Centrum and in larger accommodation throughout the park, many of our occupiers have transformed their businesses without the need to change their address.

AIP provides forward-thinking park management and provides high-quality, flexible accommodation for entrepreneurs, start-ups, SME's and global organisations, giving each the ability to flex their accommodation to meet their changing needs.

Accommodation options – available to let:

- Flexible offices
- Flexible laboratories
- Virtual tenancy offer
- New accommodation with planning consent.



### Accommodation options

The Norwich Research Park Innovation Centre and Centrum building provide flexible laboratory and office accommodation for businesses at a stage where the need to adjust accommodation requirements easily is paramount.

The laboratories are available as shells or fully fitted and there is the ability to access shared facilities and equipment.

A virtual tenancy works for people working from home who want to be part of the Norwich Research Park community and benefit from the facilities in the Centrum building and the preferential address.

With 1.6M sq ft of outline planning consent both pre-developed and pre-let/bespoke accommodation is available. Future accommodation can be specifically tailored to a client's needs.

- Master planned plots with outline planning consent for research and development, health and ancillary and complementary uses
- A range of plot sizes and a variety of design options are available.



### New Laboratory and office accommodation – available to let

Grow-on Building 1 (GB1) is arranged around an L-shaped footprint, with three storeys to each wing, and a fourth storey to the main core block.

- Laboratory (Cat 2) and offices with support space
  - 62,162 sq ft (GIA)
  - 47,673 sq ft (NIA)
  - Standard floor grid 6.6 m by 9.2 m (61 sq m / 656 sq ft)
  - Six accessible parking spaces
  - Servicing to the rear accessed via service road
  - 96 parking spaces
  - Adjacent cycle facilities for 87 cycles
- A second grow-on building, GB2, will follow the first one and be circa 52,000 sq ft GIA.



NORWICH, NORFOLK, EAST OF ENGLAND

# THIS CORNER OF ENGLAND, WHICH ONCE IT HOLDS YOUR HEART, IS MORE LOVELY THAN ANY PLACE ON EARTH.

(Lilias Rider Haggard – Norfolk Notebook)

Where you live can often be one of the most important career choices you can make and will influence so many factors in your life. We all need the right environment to challenge and inspire us to do our best work and live our best lives. Moving to Norwich offers the perfect midground of a busy urban area combined with a more peaceful, community-driven rural Norfolk lifestyle.

Norwich Research Park is already a significant contributor to the local economy, with thousands of additional scientific-related roles expected to be created in the coming years allowing its community to benefit from living in one of the loveliest areas of the country.

## Norwich

Norwich is a beautiful historic cathedral city with a strong sense of community and identity, it has been voted one of the best places to live in England, coming third in a list of the 50 best places to live in England in 2023.

The cost of living is 35% more affordable than London and Norwich is a vibrant yet safe city to live in and explore. It has very low crime rates and a high population of students and families that give the city a real buzz. Indeed, Norwich has been voted one of the safest UK cities to live in.

There are plenty of opportunities for employment, education, property and a whole host of arts and cultural amenities locally. The city is also surrounded by the beautiful Norfolk countryside and offers the perfect combination of urban living, countryside escapism and coastline exploration. The spectacular Norfolk Broads are located just outside of Norwich also.

Many families choose to relocate to Norwich. The city has 103 schools and colleges altogether, 23 of which have received an "outstanding" rating from Ofsted.

Norwich is one of the UK's top shopping destinations. The city centre is home to two shopping centres: Chantry Place and the Castle Quarter Norwich, both of which provide shoppers with big-name-retail brands. The malls also have a wide selection of entertainment outlets and eateries.

Norwich is also an extremely green city with 23 parks and a woodland running through it. There are miles of riverside walks, cycle paths, wildlife sanctuaries, waterways and nearby beaches.



Norwich waterways



Norwich centre markets



Wroxham Broads



Cromer Pier



Historic Tomblands



Norwich Theatre

## Norfolk

Norfolk is the driest and sunniest county in England. It's also one of the biggest and is an incredibly welcoming place.

With history and heritage, beautiful villages, a national park forest, life in Norfolk can appeal to many different tastes with urban settings like the city of Norwich providing interest and excitement, and the Norfolk Broads and 90 miles of stunning coastline providing nature lovers with rare experiences in an idyllic setting.

Norfolk people are welcoming, with faith groups for all religions and specialist food shops for every nationality. The county is a great place to live, work, study, visit and relocate, and an excellent location for businesses to start, grow and innovate.

One of the UK's best locations for affordable housing, Norfolk offers properties at practical prices and flexible rental options to suit a wide range of budgets. While the further from Norwich you live, the lower prices will be, the city itself is not expensive by modern standards compared to many other cities in the UK.

The economy is growing. Sectors including agriculture, construction, hospitality, manufacturing, tourism and science are big business. There are also ambitious plans for new housing and a building programme for schools across Norfolk.

From its outstanding scenery to the welcoming people, there's no doubt that Norfolk has much to offer as a place to live.



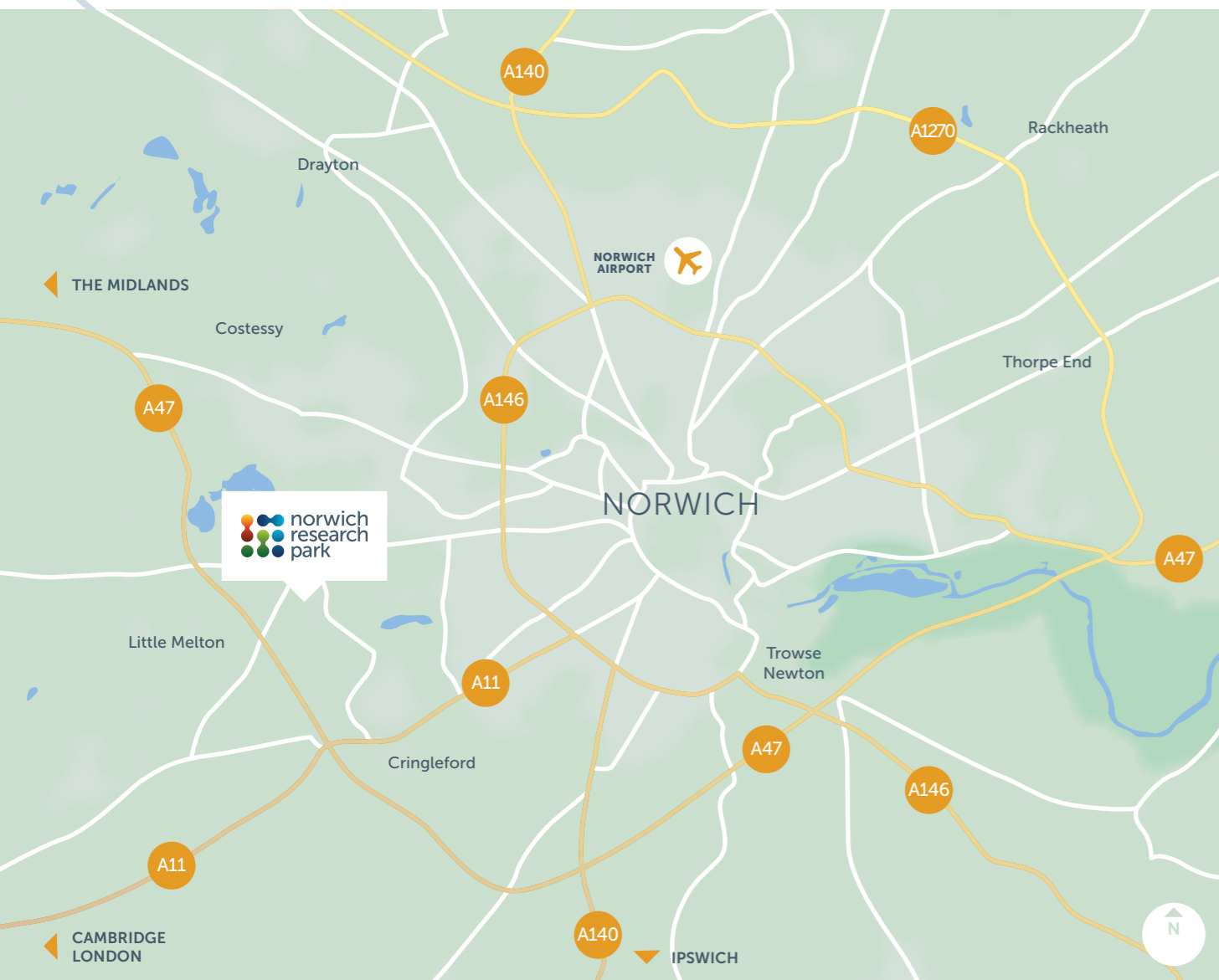
Norwich Cathedral

OUR LOCATION

A CONVENIENT LOCATION FOR BUSINESS.

Businesses are built on people and relationships and therefore, geography still plays an important role in supporting collaboration and driving innovation.

Norwich Research Park is one hour from Schiphol airport in the Netherlands for global investors. It is a 1 hour 45-minute journey direct to London by train, and a key destination for people commuting to work by car, bus, bicycle or on foot.



Situated on the southwest side of Norwich city centre, at Colney, Norwich Research Park adjoins the A47, via the Watton Road. The A47 is one of the main transport routes in the region, linking Norwich to Kings Lynn and Peterborough to the north and west, and providing easy access to London and Cambridge via the dualled A11 and M11.

The park also benefits from close proximity to the mainline rail station which is only 4.3 miles away. Trains provide a direct connection to the Midlands and the northwest and to London Liverpool Street and Cambridge, twice per hour.

Norwich also has an international airport with flights to Schiphol, and then onwards to the rest of the world.

Access to the park by car, bicycle or public transport is simple and parking is available on the campus.

Maps not to scale, for indicative purposes only.



ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE (ESG)

## A FORCE FOR GOOD AND ECONOMIC PROSPERITY.



### Environment

Through the achievement of BREEAM targets, the promotion of an increasing green travel plan and positive action to improve landscaping and biodiversity Norwich Research Park will become a more sustainable environment.

BREEAM – the park follows a leading methodology that ensures buildings are compliant when it comes to sustainable construction, operation and design. The process is used to assess both refurbishment schemes and new developments.

Green Travel Plan – AIP is working on new options to reduce carbon emissions as well as encourage staff on campus to walk, cycle or use public transport where possible.

### Social

As well as creating a great place for people to work today, Norwich Research Park needs to inspire the future generations through awareness raising and outreach activity.

Supporting local schools – AIP is reaching out to local schools to provide careers information, and is supporting outreach work delivered by the campus community.

Initiatives include:

- Facilitating visits from schools and other groups of young people
- Supporting our institute's career focused events
- The Youth STEMM awards
- Norwich Science Festival.

### Governance

It is essential that the campus and its research and business community champions equality in the workplace in order to create the right environment for everyone to flourish.

AIP works with community representatives across the campus to explore ways of making the campus an inclusive environment which supports diverse people and diverse teams.



Being good stewards of the environment, maximising social impact and being on the right side of social justice issues is key to the success of any modern company. Well-being is now recognised as one of the most important aspects in the creation of vibrant and productive teams.

A positive environment to protect and inspire the future and enable people to reach their potential is key to the success of Norwich Research Park.



JOIN OUR COMMUNITY



TOGETHER WE ARE TAKING  
SCIENCE TO THE NEXT LEVEL.  
**TOGETHER WE ARE  
NORWICH RESEARCH PARK.**

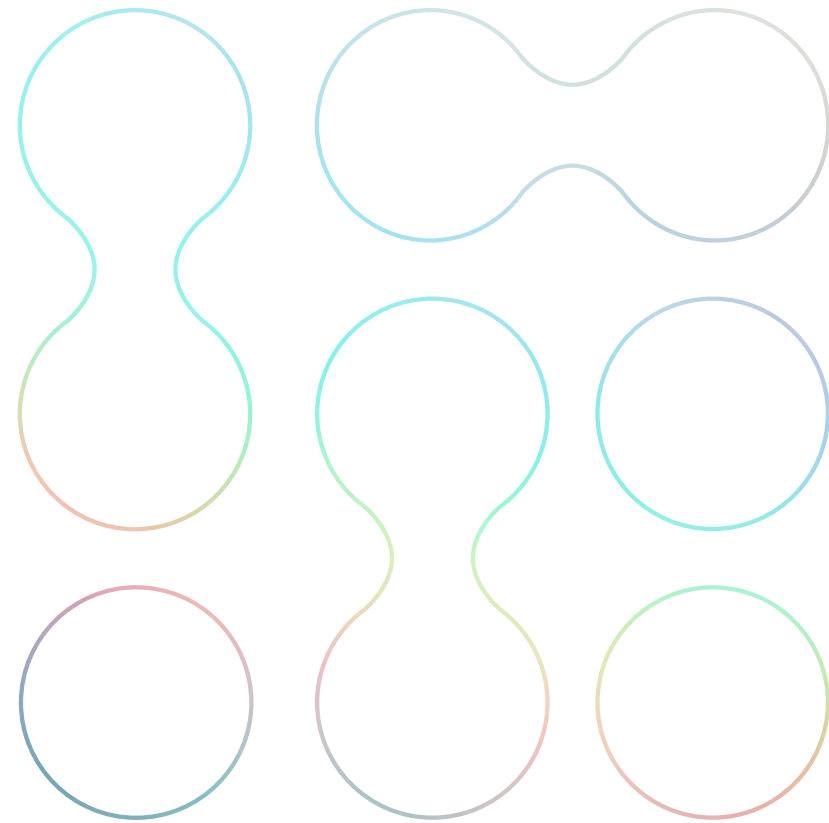
With a vision to create a thriving ecosystem of high-growth spin-outs, spin-ins, start-ups, SMEs, and large corporates, we invite like-minded people and organisations to join our incredible community.

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