

# Knowledge Transfer Partnerships (KTPs)

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# Today . . .



- Overview of KTPs
  - how KTP works, benefits
- KTP Case Studies
  - a KTP Associate perspective

#### What is KTP?

"A UK wide programme enabling businesses and organisations to improve their competitiveness, productivity and performance by accessing knowledge and technology residing within universities (knowledge base)"

KTP is one of the UK's largest graduate recruitment programmes

Part funded by government KTP is a key business support tool

1000+ KTP s running throughout UK – and growing

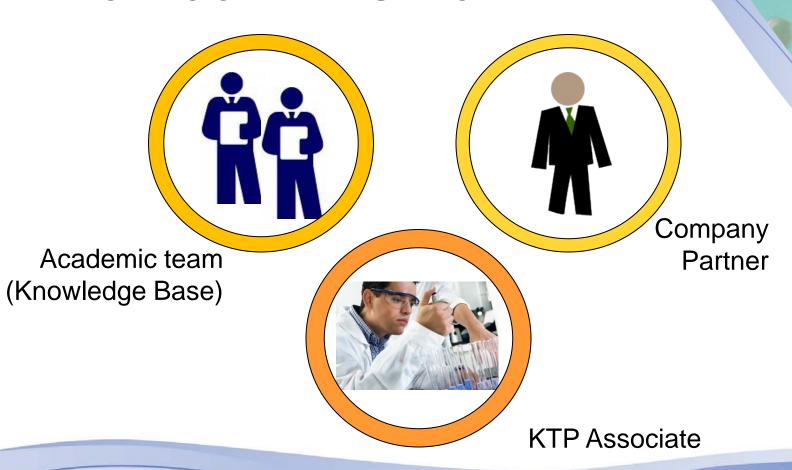


## The Partnership





#### How do KTP's work?





# Why do KTP? Benefits for academics

- Research Income (2yr project = £130K)
- Impact
- Collaborative research with industry
- Practical implementation of research
- Publications & conference papers
- Industrially relevant teaching material
- Under grad & post grad research projects





## Benefits for the Company

- Step change in performance
- Supervised staff, project focused
- Project funding (£44k or £35k pa)
- Project admin support
- Recruitment opportunity





#### Benefits for the Associate

- Fast track career
- Training programme
- Opportunity to develop expertise
- Academic and industrial supervision
- Commercial awareness
- Opportunity for permanent employment





#### KTP Annual Budget

£65,290 pa

inc employment costs, training, travel & subsistence, consumables & equipment, academic & programme support





#### Government funding

67%

**SME** 

**50%** 

Large



# Type of organisation?

- Any size / business sector
- Not for profit & public sector organisations
- Funding is Technology Strategy Board led















#### What makes a good KTP?

- Benefits to all parties
- Commitment
- Strategic importance to company
- Require expertise from KB
- Challenge for Associate





#### A KTP Associate's Perspective

• Why KTP?



# Training Modules





- Personal Development & Project Management
- Marketing & Communications
- Improve existing or develop new products
- Performance & Financial Management
  - Level 5 Diploma in Management

#### Types of KTP

- Classic KTP:18 months—3 years
  - Addresses strategic needs / longer relationship
- Shorter KTP: 10 40 weeks
  - Addresses short term tactical issues
  - Stepping stone . . . aimed at SMEs
- Postdoctoral KTPs



#### Postdoctoral KTP 12-18 months



- PhDs completed a collaborative research grant or CASE studentship, to apply their research in a commercial environment
- Gain business experience



# A KTP Associate's Perspective Case studies

- Historical Royal Palaces
- Space Engineering Services
- AstraZeneca plc
- Harmonic Ltd
- Geevor Tin Mine
- Fetal Anomaly Screening Programme (FASP)



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# Outcomes for companies For every £1m of govt spend . . .

£4.25 m pa increase in profit before tax £3.25m investment in plant & machinery

112 new jobs created

214 company staff trained



#### Outcomes for universities

On average each KTP produces. . .

3.6 new research projects

2 research papers



#### **Outcomes for Associates**

60% are offered & accept a post with host company

41% register for a higher degree



#### Find out more?

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