

Unleashing Innovation 2021 – Call for Projects

Showcasing London Life Science projects in sustainable healthcare

Following the success of last year's [Unleashing Innovation](#) report showcasing the cluster's world leading response to the COVID-19 pandemic, 2021 is the right time for us to bring together the NHS, industry and academia to showcase how London's life sciences ecosystem has innovated in response to the climate crisis.

Unleashing Innovation 2021 is a brochure being developed by life sciences cluster organisation MedCity, to showcase the very best projects and R&D from the London life sciences cluster that contribute toward the global drive on sustainability and decarbonisation in healthcare.

The UK is taking a leading role in global sustainability as the hosts of the COP26 Climate Change Conference in November. Sustainability in healthcare is being driven on a world stage by the NHS with their ambition to be the world's first national health system to become carbon net zero.

Showcasing your innovations

We want to include your case study in Unleashing Innovation 2021. Please share with us examples of work that meets the following criteria:

1. **At least one element of the project must be located in London.** We encourage you to share collaborations with organisations outside of London, both in the UK and globally, to demonstrate the incredible interconnectedness of London and the international impact of the research taking place in our ecosystem.
2. **Projects that contribute to sustainability and/or decarbonisation in healthcare.** This can include anything from manufacturing and transport of healthcare products, people, healthcare settings, Green Chemistry and much more. We are also interested to hear about wider examples in areas such as adaptation and therapeutics, for example tackling diseases caused by poor air quality.
3. **All projects must be related to the life sciences and healthcare sectors.** For example, if your project is about reducing energy consumption, this must be focused on how this is being achieved in healthcare settings such as hospitals or lab spaces.

To submit your project for consideration, please email across a short summary of the project to medcity@ovidhealth.co.uk, including the following details:

- Your organisation, and information on any partners involved in the project.
- Details on when your project took place, what it sought to achieve, its impact and any recognition it has received.
- Any data/figures to quantify your project's impact, especially any estimated reductions in carbon footprint, is also strongly encouraged.
- Contact details if we require further information or to request an image to include in the brochure.

The deadline for submissions is **midnight, Friday 30th July**.

Background: Unleashing Innovation 2020

Unleashing Innovation 2020 showcased the incredible scientific effort from London's leading universities, and in collaboration with NHS and industry organisations in the London life science ecosystem, to tackle the COVID-19 pandemic.