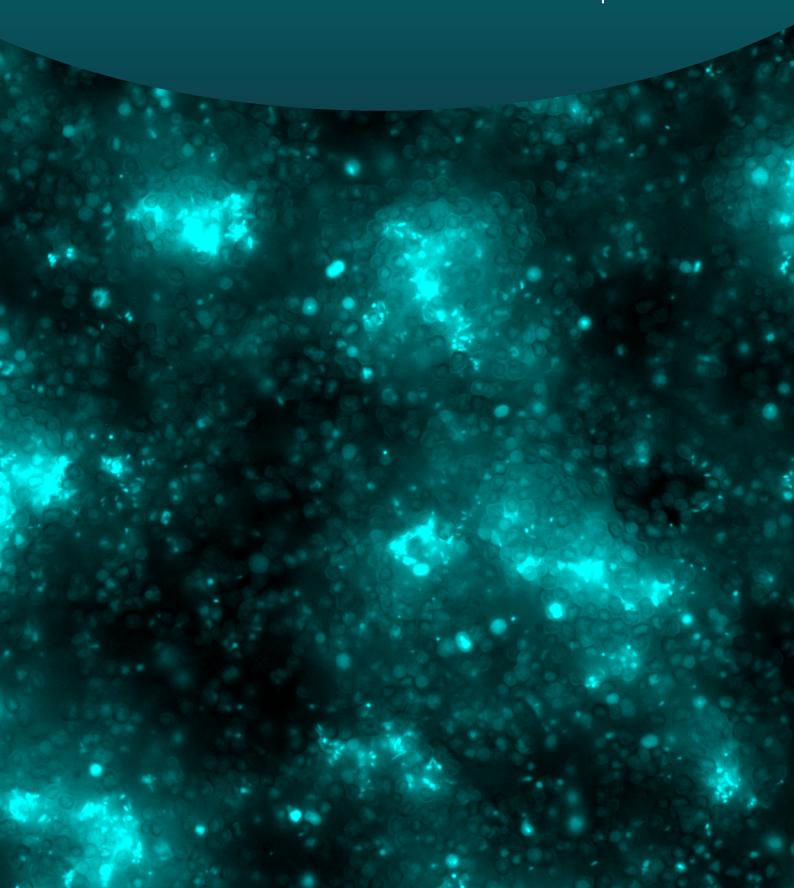


# A Guide to Membership





NBIC exists to create a fusion of world-class interdisciplinary research and industry partnerships to deliver breakthrough science and technologies to control and exploit biofilms.

Biofilms are central to our most important global challenges – from antimicrobial resistance and food safety to water security – and exert significant economic, social and environmental Impacts. NBIC was launched in 2017 to address these challenges and bring together the best of UK research and businesses to drive the translation of biofilm research into innovative solutions.

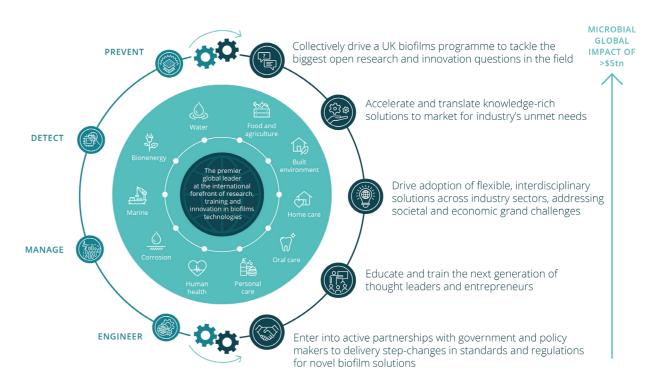
NBIC's vision is to create a truly pioneering and national centre, by bringing together the original four lead universities (Edinburgh, Liverpool, Nottingham and Southampton) and a partnership that has now expanded to include 59 research institutions, support from a growing base of more than 260 companies, and an inclusive strategy to new companies and research institutions.

In December 2022, BBSRC and Innovate UK invested £7.5m to support the Phase 2 rollout of the centre, which will support the continued expansion of world-class research and innovation.

In Phase 2, NBIC will build on its collective strengths as the UK's national centre to drive and expand its global leadership at the international forefront of research, training and innovation in biofilm technologies, addressing the grand challenges important to the UK's future prosperity.

### Values

Microbial biofilms have a global impact across multiple industrial sectors, valued in excess of \$5tn per annum. NBIC will capitalise on its role as the UK's national centre and deploy its interdisciplinary research power, critical mass, connected infrastructure and energised innovation ecosystem to deliver future ambitions.



- NBIC will collectively drive a UK Biofilms Programme to tackle the biggest open research and innovation questions in the field and deliver global leadership and breakthrough science and innovation to Prevent, Detect, Manage and Engineer (PDME) biofilms.
- NBIC will enter into active partnerships with government and policy makers to deliver stepchanges in standards and regulations for novel biofilm solutions.
- NBIC will assume global leadership via enhanced interactions with established global centres, while nucleating new relationships and networks with countries with rapidly expanding economic and healthcare challenges.
- NBIC will educate and train the next generation of leaders and entrepreneurs by delivering a cocreated programme of training that addresses key skills gaps identified by our industrial and academic communities.
- NBIC will accelerate and translate knowledge-rich solutions to industry and the market via academicindustry collaborations, driving innovation and growth in multiple industrial sectors, nucleating new industries and spin-outs, and contributing to the Place agenda via close engagement with regional partners.
- NBIC's delivery and ambitions will remain agile, informed by active consultation across academia, industry and end users, alongside evolving national and global priorities and challenges.

### Membership Benefits

NBIC Membership provides industry with an additional layer of support from NBIC experts and exclusive access to a range of specialised services, providing members with the tools to facilitate the exchange of challenges, solutions, and ideas in the biofilm sector.



#### **Partnering support**

Curated searches and partnering set up by our specialist Innovation Team



#### **Funding opportunities**

Participation in translational project applications.

Bespoke funding insights based on company sectors.



#### **Studentships and technical training**

Access to NBIC PhD programmes via Collaborative Training Partnerships (CTP).



#### Membership communications and reports

Quarterly membership newsletter, highlighting opportunities, events and access to editorial and curated information.

Access to NBIC funded reports at a reduced rate.



#### **Events and meetings**

NBIC Members Day - an annual, themed applied meeting.

Concessionary access to NBIC meetings, webinars and training (defined places per anum).



#### **Access to specialist information**

Access to specialist information on NBIC university capabilities and facilities.

### Pricing Model

NBIC tiered pricing model reflects the Member's size and type of organisation.

There are four tiers of industry membership within NBIC: Tier 0, Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3.

Tier	Company type/size	Membership fee per annum*
0	Not-for-profit Organization	£0.00
1	Micro	£500.00
2	SME	£2,500.00
3	Large	£5,000.00

<sup>\*</sup> Membership fee per annum exclusive of VAT

## Purchase NBIC Membership

Visit <u>biofilms.ac.uk/membership</u> to access the NBIC Membership store.



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