



# North East Technology Park Annual Review 2017/18

The Global Hub for Materials Integration by 2025.



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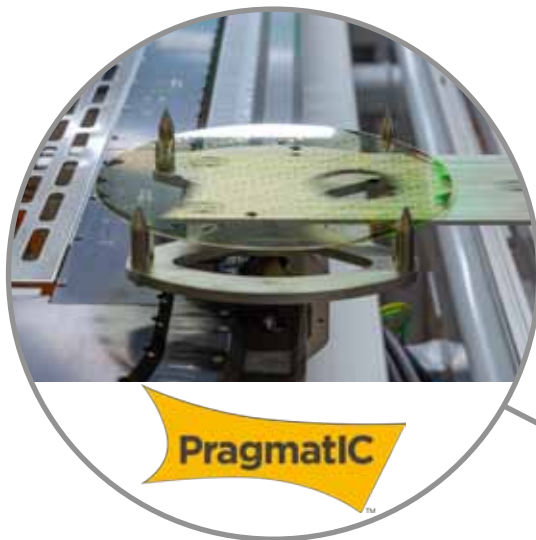
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# Some of our success stories

Home to an elite innovative group of science and technology organisations with global ambition, transforming innovative ideas into products with worldwide social and economic impact.

NETPark encourages collaborative multidisciplinary links, driving innovation, enterprise and economic prosperity.



PragmatIC is a world leader in ultra low cost flexible electronics, enabling the potential for trillions of smart objects. PragmatIC's FlexLogIC™ fab-in-a-box is a self-contained, fully automated system delivering high throughput manufacturing.

IBEX has developed and patented x-ray detector technology that can be retrofitted to existing x-ray machinery to significantly improve the detection of defects and impurities in the materials being imaged.



G2O Water Technologies Limited is a graphene innovation and application company. Its patented technology is aimed at reducing the cost of water filtration and expanding global access to clean water.

NETPark is the only science park in the UK with two UK Catapult Centres

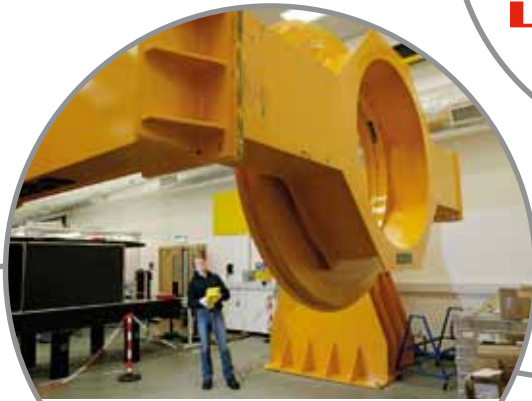
**CATAPULT**  
High Value Manufacturing

**North East**  
Satellite Applications Centre of Excellence



women  
in IASP

Founded Women in IASP bringing together the knowledge-base of female science park professionals, and sharing success stories for the benefit of all.



 Durham University

Durham University's Centre for Advanced Instrumentation supplies projects such as the James Webb Space Telescope and the European Extremely Large Telescope. Durham University is in the QS world top 100 and 5th in the The Sunday Times Good University Guide, 2018



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It is the location of four National Centres all managed by CPI.

- National Printable Electronics Centre
- National Formulation Centre
- Graphene Applications Centre
- National Centre for Healthcare Photonics



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BUILDING TECHNOLOGY BUSINESS

Full member of UKSPA sharing knowledge and expertise, connections and linking us with peers around the UK

# NETPark 2025 - A bold and ambitious strategy for the future

## Supporting Innovation

Long-term, truly disruptive innovation requires intensive and specialist support, which NETPark provides.



## Showcasing Success

NETPark's focus on the core competence of materials integration is showcased through our marketing communications campaigns demonstrating the ground-breaking innovations being developed by companies at NETPark.



## Enabling Further World-Class Research

Durham is already a World Top 100 university with multidisciplinary strengths closely aligned to NETPark's strategic themes. NETPark facilitates further research activities to act as a pipeline & attractor, building critical mass in materials integration.



## Building World Class Premises

Providing the right environment is the cornerstone of NETPark's success. We provide flexible property options to support companies from their embryonic stage to global plc.



# What we did in 2017 / 2018

## Supporting Innovation

- Secured a three year extension of the North East Satellite Applications Centre of Excellence
- Provided intensive support to 10 entrepreneurs via the UK Space Agency-backed Space Incubation Programme
- Delivered the first year of a five-year EU-funded Interreg programme STEPHANIE, which supports innovation in the space and photonics industry
- Developed an enterprise strategy to support early stage start ups
- Completed a video about NETPark for educational visits to inspire future generations to consider a career in science, technology and engineering



## Building World Class Premises

- Completed the £7.6M NETPark Explorer development, providing over 24,000 sq ft of combined laboratory and office space.
- Completed the refurbishment of Durham University's Research Institute enabling Durham to be at the forefront of worldwide space science research for many years to come.
- Completed NETPark Phase 3 infrastructure, opening up a new 26 acre development plot, creating additional space for research and development companies to prototype, scale up and manufacture.
- Commissioned the Synergy sculpture, showcasing the entrance to NETPark Phase 3



# Showcasing Success



Stuart Martin, CEO of the Satellite Applications Catapult, officially opened the NETPark Explorer buildings



High profile press coverage to showcase our success stories and encourage more like minded innovative science, engineering and technology companies to join us

Hosted the 2018 Satellite Applications Catapult "Discover the Possibilities" conference positioning the North East as a dynamic force in the £13.7bn UK space sector



Hosted the 'Physics Futures' event for post-graduate physics students from Durham University. In collaboration with the Durham University Careers Service, this full day event allowed the students to hear the stories of tech start-up entrepreneurs, major international corporations and researchers and to meet with representatives of 11 employers looking for the next generation of science innovators.



## Learn more...

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