

bioProcessUK roadmap

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1.1 Executive Summary Commentary

This report results from a one-day roadmapping workshop to identify priorities for the future programme of bioProcessUK. The workshop took place at the Royal College of Physicians in London, on 30th October 2006. The roadmapping process involved building a layered, forward-looking view of the sector, starting with market trends and drivers, and moving on through key products and technologies, before focusing on the role which bioProcessUK will play in meeting the related challenges. The graphics on the following pages illustrate these priority areas and timescales.

Participants were invited to represent the industrial, academic and public perspectives of the sector, based on their understanding of the market and their insight into the key issues.

In summary, the workshop found that development of education and skills will be critical to the future success of the sector, at a technical level and also in leadership and entrepreneurship, as will the development of the appropriate funding and fiscal environments, if UK is to develop a critical mass of activity. The need to develop a positive perception of bioscience, in the general public and amongst potential recruits, is paramount. Continued rapid technological advances, from the broader application of vaccines to a future vision of personalised medicine will require accelerated time to market and reduced development and approvals costs, which in turn will drive the need for improved regulation.

Priority products will move from derivatives of proteins and antibodies in the short term to new vaccines and allogenic cell therapies in the longer term, with therapies being increasingly targetted at bio-defence and aesthetic / life-style markets. New, non-injection delivery systems will be required to maximise the potential of these new biologics.

The chief technologies required to deliver these products will include temperature-stable formulation to eliminate the cold supply-chain; design for manufacture and analytical techniques; high-performance purification and stem-cell production systems; and associated approaches to de-risking the development of these.

The workshop found that there was a vital role for the continuation of current bioProcessUK activities in networking and special interest groups and funding for BRICs and collaborative R&D. Further programmes which would support the development of the sector would also include knowledge bases for regulatory advice and availability of government support; centres of excellence for academic research and brokering bespoke education and training. bPUK can also play a pivotal role in the re-branding and marketing of the sector in the UK.

Trends & Drivers

Social:		1. Education & Skills (Technical)		4. Public Opinion & Sector Perception						10. Personalised Medicines	
Technological:		3. Education (Leadership & Entrepreneurship)				9. Increased use of Vaccines (due to Economic Drivers)					
Economic:			7. Speed Time to Market		2. Funding & Fiscal Environment						
Political & Legal:		6. Lack of Critical Mass of Bio Sector in UK			5. R&D / Approvals Cost to Market						
		8. Need for Improved Regulation									

Products

Proteins:			10. Fusion Proteins			6. Protein fragments					
Antibodies:		1. Monoclonal / Humanised antibodies			5. FAbs						
Cell therapies:			4. Biosimilars					2. Allogeneic Cell Therapies			
Vaccines:				3. Vaccines from cell culture			7. Novel / Optimised / Self-Adjuvants				
Other:					8. Bio-defence Vaccines						
						9. Aesthetic / life-style therapies					

Technologies

Discovery:						8. Simpler Cellular Production Systems					
Development:								1. Removal of cold chain / Stable formulation			
Manufacturing:			2. Design / Predication for manufacture					4. Stem cell scale up procedures			
Delivery:			9. Plug and play disposable manufacturing			6. High performance purification systems					
Other:				3. Specialised analytical technologies			5. New delivery systems for biologics				
			10. Rapid microbiological testing								
											7. De-risking strategies for new technologies

bPUK Programme

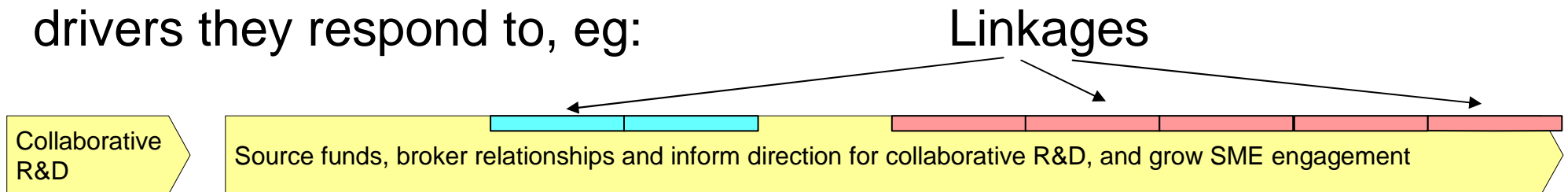
Current programmes		1. Current networking / SIG activity									
Collaborative R&D:				4. Continue BRIC funding				9. Support for implementation of new technology			
Academic Research:					5. Input to new Collaborative R&D Programmes						
Knowledge Transfer:				2. Centres of Excellence							
Promotion / Lobbying						10. SME focus in collaborative research					
Education & Skills:				3. Regulatory advice & knowledge base							
Other:						7. Re-branding for sector / PR					
		8. Awareness of available education / gov support									
											6. Bespoke training

1.3 Linkages

The graphic on page 6 summarises the key linkages between the challenges identified in the roadmap and the prioritised responses which could be delivered through the future bioProcess UK programme.

The top layer summarises the most important market trends and drivers () and key product trends ().

The bottom layers represent the aspects of the future bPUK programme, with the tags in each box indicating which trends & drivers they respond to, eg:

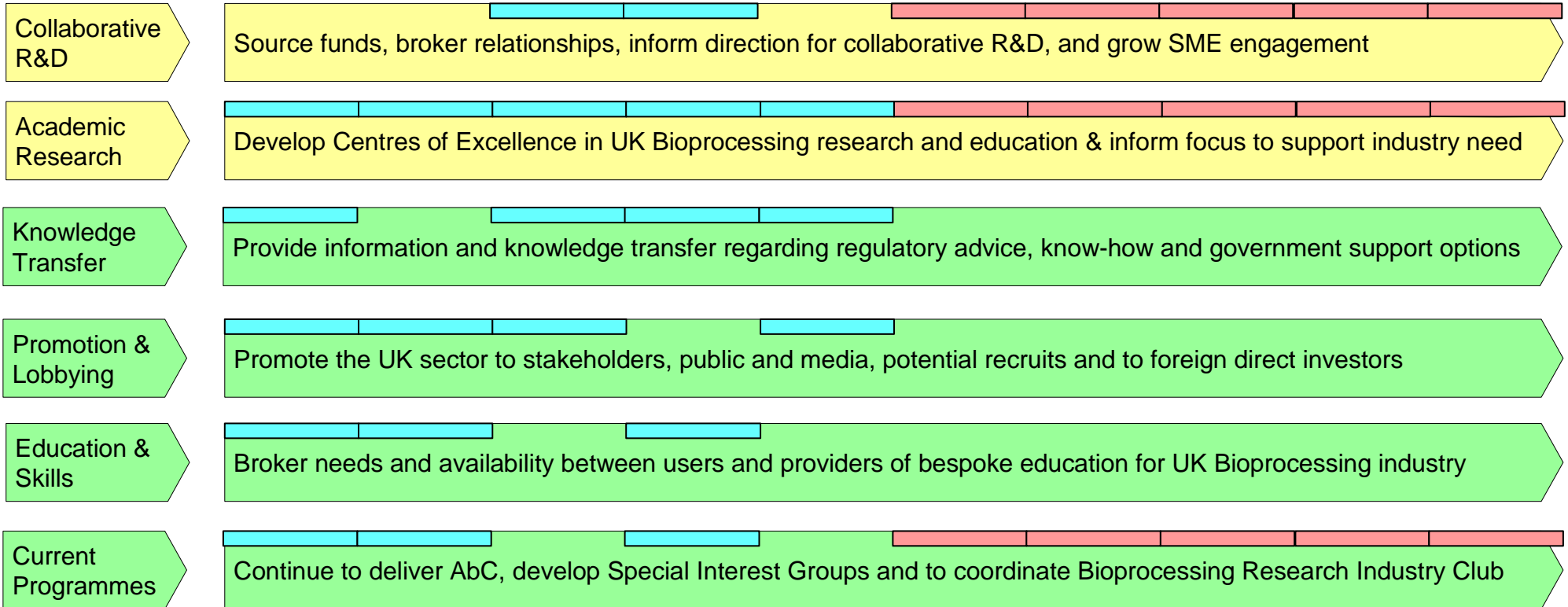


Page 7 gives more detailed linkages between the key product trends and the necessary technology enablers.


1.4 Executive Summary Linkages



Social		Economic		Political & Legal	Technology & Products				
Education & Skills gaps	Non-ideal bio-sector perception	Lack of critical-mass in UK	Reduce time & cost to market	Need for improved regulation	Short	Medium	Long	Vision	
Technical & Leadership	Public & Recruitment	Funding & Fiscal	Development & approvals	Education & Support	Antibodies, Proteins & variants	Increased use of vaccines	Improved delivery of Biologics	Allogeneic Cell Therapies	Personalised medicines



1.4 Product - Technology Linkages

	MAbs / humanised Abs / FAbs biosimilars / fusion proteins	Cell Therapies	Vaccines	Recombinant proteins / protein fragments	Novel / Optimised / Self-Adjuvants	Bio-defence	Aesthetic / life-style therapies	Biologics delivery mechanisms
Formulation / Stabilisation / cold storage								
Design / Predication for manufacture								
Analytical techniques								
Stem cell scale up procedures								
New delivery systems (non-injectable)								
High performance purification systems								
Simpler Cellular Production Systems								
Plug and play disposable manufacturing								

2. Detailed Roadmap landscape

The graphic on the following page, and those on subsequent pages, capture all the key issues identified during the workshop. The relative priorities of these issues are indicated by colour coding – darker colour indicating higher importance.

		Issue			
		Driver	Product	Technology	Programme
Importance	High				
	Medium				
	Low				

	Past	2007	Short term	2008	2009	Medium term	2011	2012	Long term	2015	Vision	
Trends & Drivers	Social:		1. Education & Skills (Technical)	4. Public Opinion & Sector Perception		21. MRSA		17. Demographics / Aging Population		Attracting Talent to UK		
	Technological:		3. Education (Leadership & Entrepreneurship)		20. Safety	Attract talent in / to UK	Patient Power	Lifestyle Therapies		10. Personalised Medicine		
	Environmental:		18. Product Innovation	15. Cross-Industry Knowledge Transfer			9. Increased use of Vaccines (due to Economic Drivers)		22. Cell products		19. Synthetic Biology	
	Economic:	23. Weak \$	6. Lack of Critical Mass of Bio Sector in UK		2. Funding & Fiscal Environment			13. Manufacturing Location	Low Cost Economies		Globalisation of R&D	
	Political & Legal:		7. Speed Time to Market			14. IP & Patents			12. New Business Models / Scale Reduction		Global Growth Opportunity	
Products	Proteins:	14. Plasma Proteins / Blood products		10. Fusion Proteins		12. Modified Proteins / Glycoconjugates				New replacement blood protein alternatives		
	Antibodies:	19. Recombinant human proteins	1. Monoclonal / Humanised antibodies		6. Protein fragments					Antibody-Chemical Conjugates		
	Cell therapies:			4. Biosimilars		5. FAbs		17. Tissue Engineering		2. Allogeneic Cell Therapies		
	Vaccines:		15. Cellular cancer vaccines		3. Vaccines from cell culture	11. Vaccine platform technologies			New Scaffolds + Cells			
	Other:	18. Blood plasma	Oligonucleotides		8. Bio-defence Vaccines	7. Novel / Optimised / Self-Adjuvants			New DNA vaccines			
Technologies	Discovery:	13. Peptides	Neutraceuticals		Industrial Biotech	9. Aesthetic / life-style therapies		"Designed for delivery" biologics	Personalised medicines	Nano Medicines		
	Development:				High-throughput tools	8. Simpler Cellular Production Systems		14. Stem Cell Markers	18. Protein Product Engineering	12. Next generation MAbs		
	Manufacturing:	13. Reduced Batch Cycle Times		2. Design / Predication for manufacture			6. High performance purification systems		1. Removal of cold chain / Stable formulation	19. Integral Prognostics & Diagnostics		
	Delivery:	11. Cost effective sterile disposables	9. Plug and play disposable manufacturing			Campaign-based contract manufacturing			20. Generic accepted GMP Process		17. Improved PAT	
	Other:		10. Rapid microbiological testing	3. Specialised Analytical techniques			5. New delivery systems for biologics		Effective biologics delivery mechanisms		4. Stem cell scale up procedures	
bPUK Programme	Current bPUK programmes		1. Current networking / SIG activity									
	Collaborative R&D:			4. Continue BRIC funding					9. Support for implementation of new technology			
	Academic Research:		15. Clarified roles and responsibilities of bPUK		5. Input into new collaborative R&D Programmes							
	Knowledge Transfer:			2. Centres of Excellence		12. Assist development of Academic research priorities			10. Develop SME focus in collaborative research			
	Promotion & Lobbying:				3. Regulatory advice & knowledge base					13. SME-focused support on regulatory aspects		
	Education & Skills:				17. Web-based discussion forum							
	Other:				7. Re-branding for sector / PR					16. Promote UK Bio Industry Abroad		
			8. Awareness of available education / government support			11. Attract best graduates / early career professionals						
				6. Bespoke training					14. National training centre			
				Tailored degrees in core competencies								
										18. IP Value proposition / guidance		

3. Roadmap detailed content

3.1 Trends & Drivers

3.2 Products

3.3 Technologies

3.4 bioProcessUK Programme Challenges

3.1 Top 10 Trends & Drivers

1. Education & Skills (Technical)
2. Funding & financial support / Fiscal environment
3. Leadership and entrepreneurship
4. Public opinion and sector perception
5. Cost of R&D and Approvals to reach market
6. Lack of critical mass of Bio-sector in UK
7. Speed time to Market
8. Need for improved regulation
9. Increased use of vaccines due to economic drivers
10. Personalised medicines

Trends & Drivers
Social:

1. Education & Skills (Technical)

MRSA

17. Demographics / Aging Population

4. Public Opinion & Sector Perception

Attracting Talent to UK

3. Education (Leadership & Entrepreneurship)

Attract talent in / to UK

20. Safety

Patient Power

Lifestyle Therapies

Technological:

7. Speed Time to Market

15. Cross-Industry Knowledge Transfer

10. Personalised Medicine

Cell as the product

9. Increased use of Vaccines (due to Economic Drivers)

19. Synthetic Biology

Bio-Generics

Nano

18. Product Innovation

11. Productivity → Integration of R&D & Process Development

Bio-"Pharming"

Environmental:

Environmental Legislation

Growth of BioFuels (Spin-off Markets / Technologies)

Sustainability

Reduce waste in disposables

Economic:

Weak \$

2. Funding & Fiscal Environment

6. Lack of Critical Mass of Bio Sector in UK

13. Manufacturing Location → Low Cost Economies

Globalisation of R&D

16. Demand for Lower Manufactured Cost of Goods

12. New Business Models / Scale Reduction

Strong UK CM base

14. IP & Patents

Global Growth Opportunity

5. R&D & Approvals Costs to Market

Political & Legal:

8. Need for Improved Regulation

20. Safety

3.2 Top 10 Products

1. Monoclonal / Humanised antibodies
2. Allogeneic cell therapies
3. Vaccines from cell culture
4. Biosimilars
5. FAbs
6. Protein fragments
7. Novel / Optimised / Self-Adjuvants
8. Bio-defence Vaccines
9. Aesthetic / life-style therapies
10. Fusion Proteins



2007

Short term

2008

2009

Medium term

2011

2012

Long term

2015

Products

Proteins:

14. Plasma Proteins/Blood products

19. Recombinant human proteins

6. Protein fragments

12. Modified Proteins / Glycoconjugates

10. Fusion Proteins

Alternative to EPO

Antibodies:

1. Monoclonal / Humanised antibodies

5. FAbs

Antibody-Chemical Conjugates

16. Alternative formats of antibodies

4. Biosimilars

Cell therapies:

20. Stable cell lines

17. Tissue Engineering

Autologous Cell Therapies

2. Allogeneic Cell Therapies

New Cell Scaffolds

Vaccines:

3. Vaccines from cell culture

15. Cellular cancer vaccines

11. Vaccine platform technologies

7. Novel / Optimised / Self-Adjuvants

8. Bio-defence Vaccines

DNA Vaccines

Other:

18. Plasma

Oligonucleotides

Neutraceuticals

13. Peptides

Industrial Biotech

9. Aesthetic / life-style therapies

"Designed for delivery" biologics

Nano Medicines

Personalised medicines

New antibiotics

Smart Polymers

Recombinant Viruses

Gene therapy

3.3 Top 10 Technologies

1. Removal of cold chain / Stable formulation
2. Design / Predication for manufacture
3. Specialised analytical techniques
4. Stem cell scale up procedures
5. New delivery systems for biologics (non-injectable)
6. High performance purification systems
7. De-risking new technologies
8. Simpler cellular production systems
9. Plug and play disposable manufacturing
10. Rapid microbiological testing

Discovery:
Development:
Manufacturing:
Delivery:
Other:

Exploitation of biomarkers

8. Simpler Cellular Production Systems

14. Stem Cell Markers

16. Prediction of Immunogenecy

12. Next generation MAbs

18. Protein Product Engineering

29. Integral Prognostics & Diagnostics

1. Removal of cold chain / Stable formulation

2. Design / Predication for manufacture

13. Reduced Batch Cycle Times

20. Generic GMP Process

6. High performance purification systems

17. Improved PAT

9. Plug and play disposable manufacturing

4. Stem cell scale up procedures

Campaign-based contract manufacturing

11. Cost effective sterile disposables

5. New delivery systems (non-injectable)

7. De-risking strategies for new technologies

3. Specialised analytical techniques

10. Rapid microbiological testing

15. Potency Assays

High-throughput tools

3.4 Top 10 bioProcessUK Programme Challenges

1. Current networking / SIG activity
2. Centres of excellence
3. Regulatory advice & knowledge base
4. Continue BRIC funding
5. Collaborative R&D (eg vaccines)
6. Bespoke training
7. Re-branding for sector / PR
8. Awareness of available education / Government support
9. Support for implementation of new technology
10. SME focus in collaborative research

4. bioProcessUK Programme Core Challenges

- 1 Current networking / SIG activity
- 2 Centres of Excellence
- 3 Regulatory advice & knowledge base
- 4 Continue BRIC funding
- 5 Input into new Collaborative R&D programmes
- 6 Bespoke training
- 7 Re-branding for sector / PR
- 8 Awareness of available education / Government support
- 9 Support for implementation for new technologies
- 10 Continued focus on SME's in collaborative research

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