



Accelerating a Low Carbon Economy :

An opportunity for East Midlands SMEs and Nottingham graduate students

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new £6.5m low energy research centre

- flexible electrical systems
- renewable energy
- low energy buildings
- hydrogen storage and conservation
- carbon capture and storage
- biofuels

2100 m² facility comprising:

- research laboratories
- workshops
- offices
- seminar space
- exhibition hall
- roof top research areas
- external prototyping areas

a “low carbon home for low carbon technologies”

exemplar project targeting a BREEAM ‘outstanding’ rating



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ALCE: What will it do?

- Accelerate a low carbon economy in the region
- By catalysing increased regional business innovation
- Enhancing university-business interaction



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Pellets capturing CO₂ using amine polymer

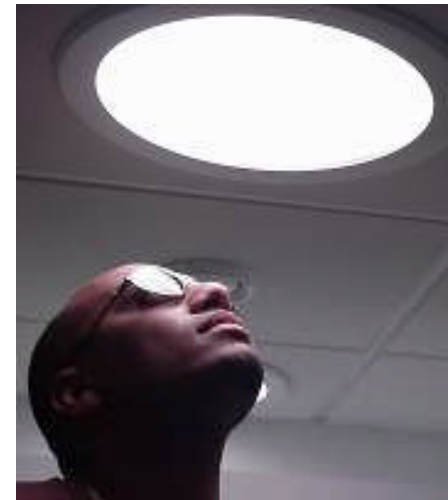


ALCE Stakeholder involvement

1. Events
2. Graduate Placements
3. Collaborative research and facilities
4. Committees



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Light pipe in university's Eco House



Connecting to businesses

- Information and networking events
- Annual conference
- Technical seminars
- Showcase & Demonstration events
- Referrals



Uniflex Controller



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Graduate Placements

eg:

- MSc dissertation*
- Vacationships*
- KTP
(www.ktponline.org.uk)
- Sponsored PhD/EngD

* Graduate Placement Fund



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Students involved in construction
of Creative Energy Homes

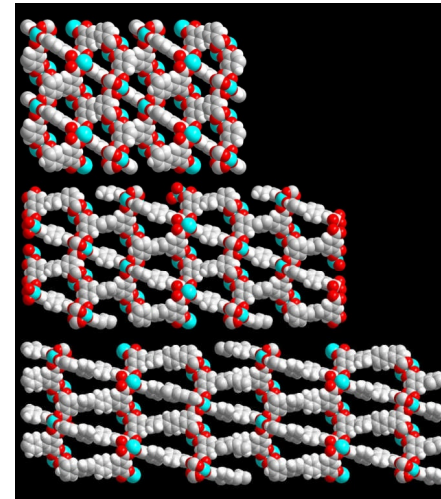


Dissertation Project Placements

- ❖ Networking Opportunity (Morning and afternoon)
- ❖ Presentations
 - MSc Courses & projects
 - SME project proposals
 - Knowledge Transfer Projects (KTPs)



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MOF polymer for world-record Hydrogen storage



Next Steps



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Creative Energy Homes, University Park



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