

University of Nottingham

KTP 50th Anniversary

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Knowledge Transfer Partnerships

We are the UK's innovation agency

As part of UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), Innovate UK is publicly funded to drive innovation and productivity across the UK.

We work for you to create a better future by inspiring, involving and investing in businesses developing life-changing innovations.









Since 1975, what was the Teaching Company Scheme (TCS), now Knowledge Transfer Partnerships (KTP's), have driven innovation and growth by creating collaborations between businesses and academic institutions.

KTP's are tailored to the specific requirements of individual partnerships, each addressing specific needs.









Impact of KTP

- KTP has supported over 14,000 projects since 1975.
- Approximately 11,000 of these have been with SMEs.
- From 2010 to 2020, Innovate UK invested £200m in 2,000 projects, adding £2.3bn to the economy.
- KTP continues to fund over 300 new partnerships each year, with innovative businesses across the UK









University of Nottingham in KTP

Since at least 1980:

- 231 applications
- 61% Micro & SME businesses
- Nearly £23.5m in grant funding
- Projects worth over £30m
- Contributing over £165m to the local and national economy

- A diverse portfolio!
- Household names including 3M, Airbus, Rolls Royce, Boots, Dunlop & Siemens













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50 years of KTP

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Why does KTP work so well?





KTP mindset







In a permanent state of evolution





The future will not be what we imagine...





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