

Core Technology Facility (CTF)



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The Core Technology Facility is located on the Manchester Corridor in the heart of the city's academic and business community. The CTF provides state-of-the-art "grow-on" and incubation space for SMEs and The University of Manchester start-ups, complementing the successful Manchester Incubator Building.



The aim of the CTF is to provide support to the number of fast growing biotechnology, hi-tech and low carbon companies in the Northwest region through the provision of office and laboratory space.

The four-storey CTF building provides additional turnkey laboratory modules, flexi-lab areas for "grow-on", meeting rooms and conferencing facilities.

- 173,000 ft² (16,060 m²) bioscience facilities and related infrastructure
- 4 modular laboratories each 2,153 ft² (200 m²), comprising fitted out write-up and wet-lab areas, equipped for functioning at ACGM Containment Level 2 with the capability of conversion to Level 3
- 4 "flexi-lab" areas each with 5,380 ft² (500 m²) of grow-on space (either wet-lab, office or a combination of both)
- Bioinformatics area for companies specialising in bioinformatics, medical informatics and all forms of software/computing development and commercialisation

The CTF offers:

- Site facilities appropriate for a fully functional operational facility, including shared secondary support equipment, emergency generator and IT support including broadband access
- Reception and street 'networking' area
- Office areas for SMEs and start-ups
- Meeting Rooms - a suite of rooms capable of holding from 2 to 120 people
- Conferencing facilities available for booking by tenants and external users
- Access to video conferencing
- Access to a wide range of business support services (legal, intellectual property, investors, specialist training and seminars)
- On site Innovation Café and Starbucks
- Staff and visitor parking
- Full 24h security cover on site, including control door access and swipe card, constant external patrols and CCTV site coverage

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