The Biosphere at Newcastle Helix

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The Biosphere Newcastle is a specialist facility tailored to the commercialisation of life sciences and innovation, research and development in the North East of England's regional and economic capital.

We offer high-quality biology and chemistry laboratories, Grade A offices and conference space in Newcastle upon Tyne's bustling city centre.





Helping us all live better lives. Easier, healthier, smarter and longer.

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Newcastle helix

- One of the largest developments of its kind in the UK
- Mixed-use, prime city centre location
- Innovation hub for investors, businesses, scientists and citizens

For more information, visit **newcastlehelix.com**

Newcastle is a city with a reputation for research excellence in life science and innovation, and is home to one of the UK's largest NHS trusts, with more specialist services than any other group of hospitals outside of London.

The city has built a global reputation as a UK hotspot for clinical trials, supported by pioneers at Newcastle upon Tyne NHS Hospitals Trust, Newcastle University and Northumbria University.

The North East is one of the strongest regions in the UK for exports of medical and pharmaceutical products, with the commercial base underpinned by a broad range of expertise including biotechnology and novel therapeutics.

The North East's reputation for clinical research places numerous sector-specific assets within easy reach, supporting the entire bench to bedside pathway.

The Newcastle Helix family



The Biosphere



The Core



The Urban Sciences Building





National Innovation Centres for Ageing & Data



The Garage



The Key



Residential



The Lumen



Learning & Teaching Centre



The Energy Centre



Local connections



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of its kind in the UK



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Emphasis on pedestrian movement



Secure multi-storey car parking



Site waste management



Secure cycle parking



London King's Cross 2 hours 40 minutes



Excellent public transport network – bus & Metro



Edinburgh Waverley 1 hour 25 minutes



Local amenities



Newcastle International Airport 25 minutes



Accommodation

Level	
5	Lettable freezer farm with back-up generator, comms room, cycle storage
4	Fitted laboratories and write-up space
3	Fitted laboratories and write-up space
2	Fitted laboratories and write-up space
1	Fitted laboratories and write-up space
0	Grade A offices, conference space and social mezzanine

Our offer

- Flexible, adaptable space and lease terms subject to business requirements
- Short-term use available
- Co-working and virtual offers
- On-site management, staffed reception (8.00am 5.30pm)
- Secure 24/7 occupier entrance
- Lab wash-ups
- ICT managed services
- Shower facilities
- Secure cycle storage
- Social mezzanine

Additional services (chargeable, subject to agreement)

- Lettable freezer farm with back up generator
- Bookable meeting rooms
- Conferencing and events (up to 80 persons)
- Catering and hospitality
- General and specialist cleaning
- General and specialist waste disposal
- Additional ICT services





Fitted laboratory specification

Category II:

- Laboratory benches, shelving and moveable under-bench storage
- Laboratory sinks and taps
- Climate control
- Fume cupboards with 1.2m and 1.8m external width, 0.9m deep with an extract volume flow rate of 0.35m3/s
- Fume cupboards with cold water, drip-cup and electrical power supply
- Gas bottle storage areas (bottles, pipework, regulator outlets for tenant to provide to their individual requirements)
- Independent electricity metering
- Secure/lockable door-entry system
- Floor-to-ceiling windows with blinds
- Anti-slip vinyl flooring to lab
- Carpet tile to write up
- Multiple power and data outlets
- Controlled LED lighting
- Mechanically ventilated
- Labs maintain negative pressure



Metrics



Lettable freezer farm with back-up generator



BCO compliant office space



Natural light to all work spaces



Floor-to-soffit full height glazing



Passenger lift and 26 person goods lift



Double-height shared reception



Secure entrance and site security strategy



Dedicated drop off, pick up, delivery, collection



Combination of lab and office space available



Social hub, conference space and meeting areas



Equalities Act compliant



Variety of lab layouts on 6.6m grid

Grade A office suite (Level 0)

Features:

- Floor-to-ceiling windows with blinds
- Exposed soffit ceiling with acoustic baffle
- Controlled LED lighting
- Multiple power and data outlets
- Independent electricity metering
- Secure/lockable door entry system
- Raised access floor with carpet tile

Lab wash-up specification (Levels 2 & 4)

Features:

- Autoclave
- Sink
- De-ionised water supply
- Glass wash



Plug+Go Communications

Features:

- Managed telephony, network and internet service
- Private, safe, secure network for your business with remote access via VPN
- Network security provided: firewalled, gateway antivirus, intrusion prevention
- Internet traffic shaping ensuring a reliable service
- Telephone and ICT ready to plug and go with wireless internet throughout the building

- Shared building internet connection – 1GB/1GB up/ down, uncontended, resilient
- Cat 6a structured cabling throughout the building
- Business class Voiceover IP (VoIP) services with handsets provided and direct dial phone numbers available
- Meeting spaces furnished with SMART whiteboards shared via app and wireless connection from your own laptop to widescreen SMART TV



Additional services, such as rack space, negotiable on request







Lower Ground

Reception and Management Office Bookable meeting rooms x 2 Goods refuse and gas bottle store

Labs	0
Starter	0
Small	0
Medium	0
Large	0
Meeting & Social spaces	2
Offices	0



• Labs & write-up • Unfitted lab space • Office • Meeting rooms • Social hub & tea points

● Lab wash ● Back-of-house/plant ● Risers for fume cupboards ● Freezer farm (Level 5)

Plans for indicative purposes only, not to scale. Estimated net internal lettable area.

Level 0

Grade A Office Suite
Social mezzanine
Meeting rooms x 2 (or conference for 80)

Social hub &	
tea points	1
Offices	12



Level 1

Containment II

Fitted laboratories and write-up

Labs	15	
Starter	11	
Small	1	
Medium	3	
Large	0	
Meeting rooms	1	



Level 2

Containment II

Fitted laboratories and write-up

Lab wash

Labs	14
Starter	11
Small	1
Medium	3
Large	0
Social hub & tea points	1
Lab wash	1



Level 3

Containment II

Fitted laboratories and write-up

Lab wash

Labs	9
Starter	1
Small	3
Medium	4
Large	1
Meeting rooms	1
Social hub &	
tea points	1





Level 4

Containment II

Unfitted laboratories and write-up

Lab wash

Labs	2	
Starter	0	
Small	0	
Medium	0	
Large	2	
Social hub & tea points	1	
Offices	2	



Level 5

Lettable freezer farm



Labs & write-up
Unfitted lab space
Office
Meeting rooms
Social hub & tea points
Lab wash
Back-of-house/plant
Risers for fume cupboards
Freezer farm (Level 5)

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No one employed by the landlord (Newcastle City Council) has authority to make any promises or representations or give any warranties or assurances about the property.

The property's VAT position may change without notice.

Business rates:

Chargeable.

Please note, the facility is yet to be valued by the Valuation Office.

Business Improvement District

The Biosphere sits within Newcastle's Business Improvement District – a charge of 1% of rateable value is payable to NE1 on all properties with a rateable value of £20,000 or more.

VAT

VAT is chargeable on rent and all services supplied.

Site and location

Centrally provided by Helix Partners.

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