Emerging Technologies Competition

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## Information on the Emerging Technologies Competition to circulate

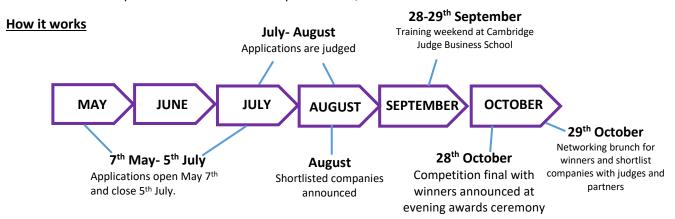
The Royal Society of Chemistry's 7<sup>th</sup> Emerging Technologies Competition opens for applications on **7 May**, with the final taking place at Chemistry Means Business on **28-29 October** in London.

Academic entrepreneur, spinout or Start-up Company looking to commercialise chemistry technology in the areas of *health, energy and environment, food and drink or enabling technologies* are eligible to apply.

Shortlisted applicants will have the chance to:

- Gain exposure for their technology in the media and technology scouters
- Receive tailored support and feedback from our expert <u>judges</u>
- Connect with large corporates including Johnson Matthey, Unilever, Croda, RSSL and Pfizer
- Attend a training weekend at the prestigious <u>Cambridge Judge Business School</u> to perfect their pitch and train their business acumen.

Winners of the competition will receive a cash prize of £10,000.



## Our impact to date

In the last 7 years, our winners have gone on to raise a combined total of over £31m in equity investment and grant funding, one has announced a £28m trade sale and another has recently been acquired for £650million. We've also seen the winners expand overseas, enter commercial contracts, conduct clinical and industrial scale trials, and collectively double their number of employees.

## **Criteria for entering:**

- Applications from universities and small companies.
- <20 employees.
- Turnover <£2million.</li>
- Technologies/ ideas must have a strong chemistry component and relevant to the competition categories: Health/ Energy & Environment/ Food & Drink/ Enabling technologies.
- Based in UK, EU, Switzerland, Norway or Iceland.
- We advise that the technology you enter has some form of protection.
- Applicants are required to be available 28-29<sup>th</sup> of October in London if shortlisted.

## Competition partners













To find out more information and to register your interest to apply in May please see our website: www.rsc.org/competitions/emerging-technologies