

Agenda

10.00 Welcome and Introductions, George Okechukwu IUK KTN

10.10 Introduction to the Faraday Battery Challenge-Oyebola Bello, IUK

10.20 How can UKBIC support SMEs to scale-up, Yahya Alvar, UKBIC

10.40 Case study: Addionics, Marcelo Machado

10:50 Competition Scope, Oyebola Bello, IUK

11.10 How to apply, Sebastian Leonard, IUK

11.30 Q&A

12.00 Close







About Us

Innovate UK KTN exists to connect innovators with new partners and new opportunities beyond their existing thinking – accelerating ambitious ideas into real-world solutions.



What we do



Connecting

Finding valuable partners
Project consortium building
Supply Chain Knowledge
Driving new connections
Articulating challenges
Finding creative solutions



Funding advice

Awareness & dissemination
Public & private finance
Advice – project scope
Proposal mentoring
Project follow-up



Influencing

Promoting Industry needs
Informing policy makers
Informing strategy
Communicating trends &
market drivers



Supporting

Intelligence on trends
and markets
Business Planning
support
Success stories / raising
profile
High level application
review

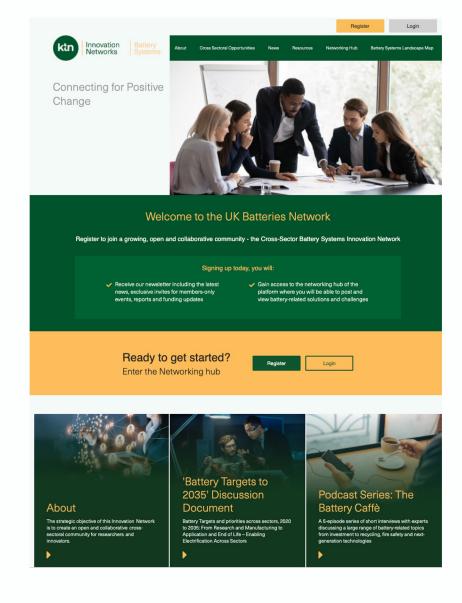


Navigating

Navigating the innovation support landscape
Promoting coherent strategy and approach Engaging wider stakeholders
Curation of innovation resources



Cross-Sector Battery Systems Innovation Network Hub: www.ukbatteriesnetwork.org/



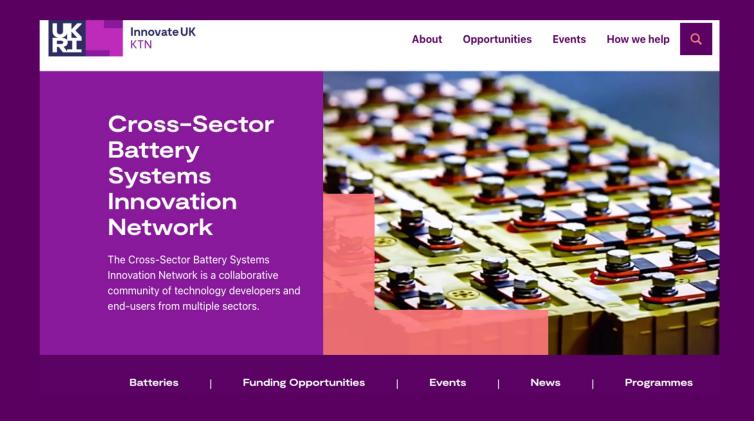
- **Stay informed**: Sign up to our newsletter for news, insights, funding opportunities and future sessions
- Connect: Register to the platform and share your challenges and solutions with other members in the networking hub https://www.ukbatteriesnetwork.org/networking-hub/problems
- Showcase your capabilities: Explore our landscape map and add your organisation https://www.ukbatteriesnetwork.org/battery-systems-landscape-map

Register to attend our first in-person industry showcase on 26 March 2024 in Leicester to link the battery supply chain with a broad set of end-use sectors.

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Visit our website and reach out to us!



Join the community and network with sector leaders!



https://iuk.ktn-uk.org/energy/batteries/



Introduction to The Faraday Battery Challenge

Oyebola Bello, Programme Manager (Batteries), IUK

Delivered by Innovate UK







What is the Faraday Battery Challenge?

£610 million programme

Running from 2017 to 2025

Part of the UKRI Challenge Fund

Delivered by Innovate UK











Continuous research into battery requirements and technology trends

Equality, diversity & inclusion and skills programmes

Building ecosystem in partnership with Innovate UK KTN

Faraday Battery Challenge Objectives



To ensure the UK automotive industry meets its net zero commitments in the required timescale by enabling development and scale-up of sustainable battery technologies.

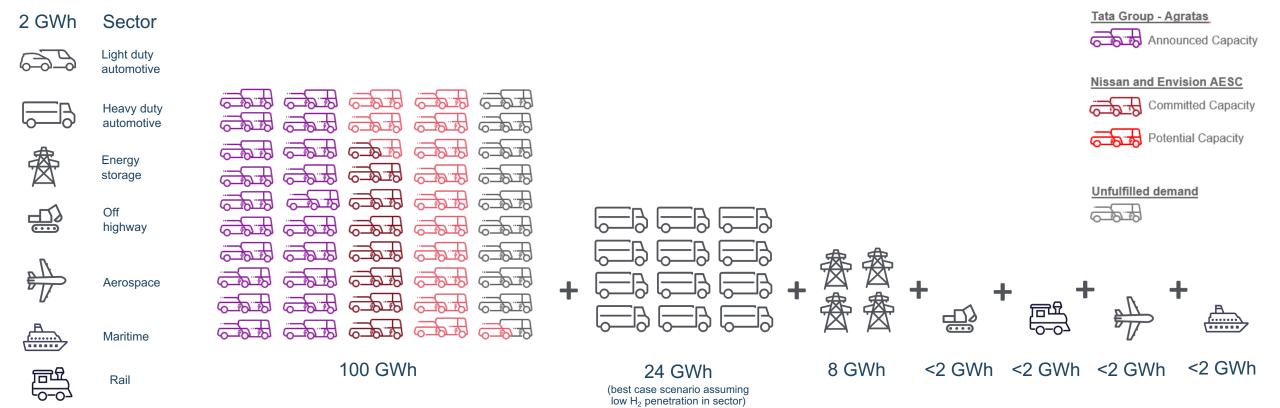


To prosper from a just and fair transition to battery electrification across the nation through the development of a world class intellectual and physical supply chain.





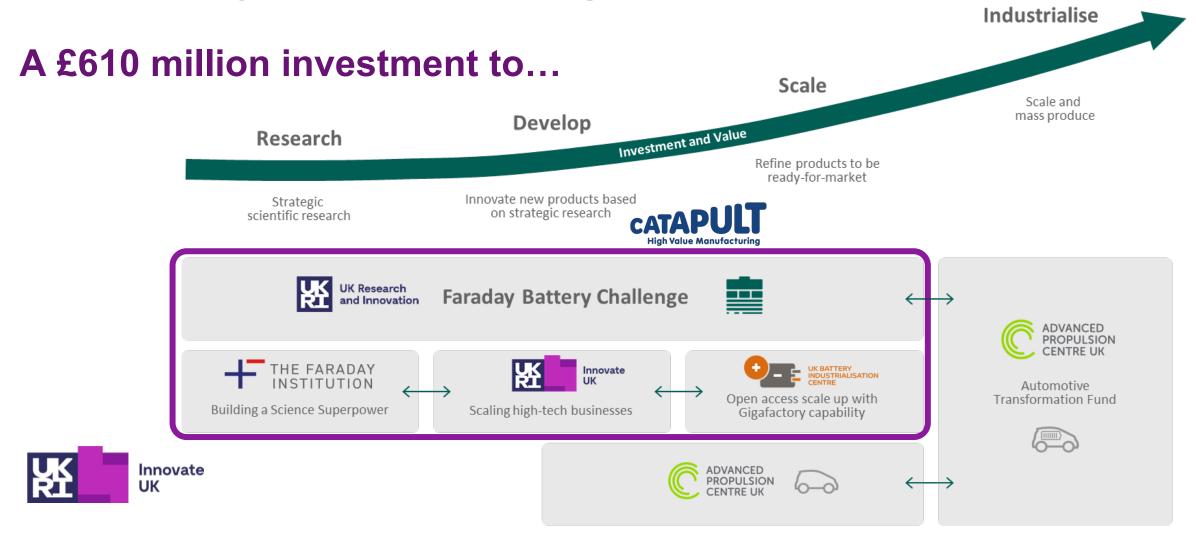
UK battery demand growth (all sectors by 2030)



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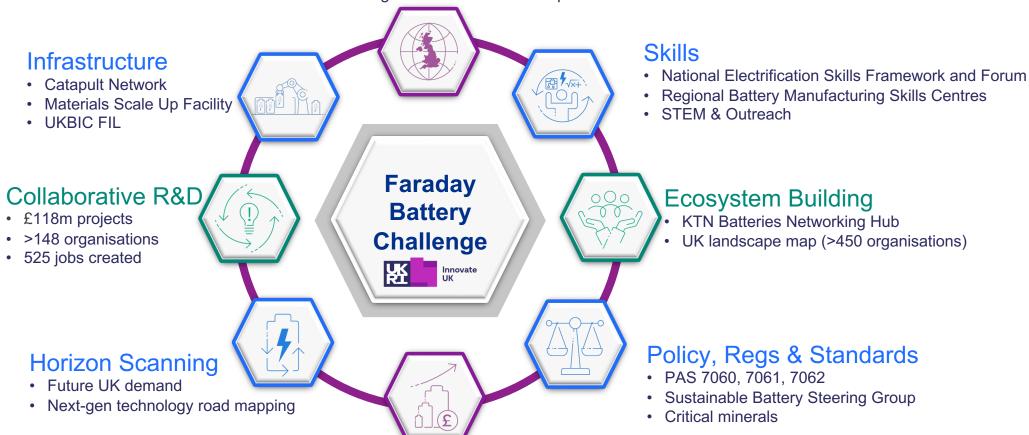
The Faraday Battery Challenge: necessary but not enough



Faraday Battery Challenge Activities: What else do we do?

International

• IUK Mission Programmes & bilateral competitions



Innovate UK

Investors

- Investor Readiness Programme
 - Investor Partnerships
 - Investor Engagement









Bridging the Gap from R&D to Mass Production

UKBIC scope

Volume, TRL, MRL Giga Scale



Virtual Tour

Characteristic

 University scale research labs using small quantities of handmade materials.

Gramme Scale

- Fundamental materials research
- Initial half-cell experiments at coin cell scale.



Kilogramme Scale

- Corporate R&D pilot line or university / Catapult centre.
- Used to demonstrate early scalability of materials to full size cell
- Develop and demonstrate electrode mixtures, deposition processes and cell formats.



Tonne Scale

- Full-scale GWh/yr manufacturing facilities used at low output rate.
- Used to develop and validate materials, cell design, manufacturing processes and parameters at industry rates prior to full plant investment.
- Full-scale, high volume manufacturing plant. Typically 6-50GWh/year.
- Used to deliver very large volumes of cells with no variation or flexibility to chemistry, format or quality.
- Cost/kWh and process consistency are critical.

Commercialisation

TRL 1 TRL 2 TRL 3 TRL 4 TRL 5 TRL 6 TRL 7 TRL 8 TRL 9 **Technology** Principles & Explore Analytical Validation & Design & Model & Test & Real World & Performance & Readiness Research Applications Experiments Requirements Prototype Testing Demonstrate Launch Performance

Research & Development

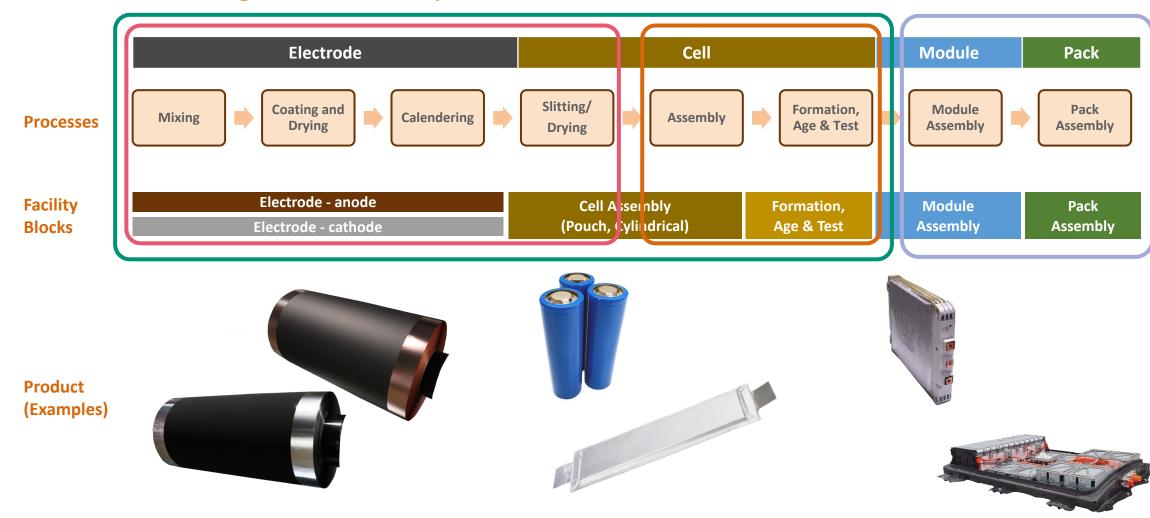
Manufacturing Readiness

MRL 1 MRL 2 MRL 3 MRL 4 MRL 5 MRL 6 MRL 7 MRL 8 MRL 9 **MRL 10** Identify Manufacturing Prototype **Process** Pilot Line & Implication & Identify Proof of **Processes &** Production Technology & Materials, Tools Maturity Processes Materials **Processes** Concept **Detailed Costs** Materials Ready & Skills Demonstration Proven **Engineering & Manufacturing** Production & Operation & **Material Solution Analysis Technology Development** Deployment Support

Industrial Engineering

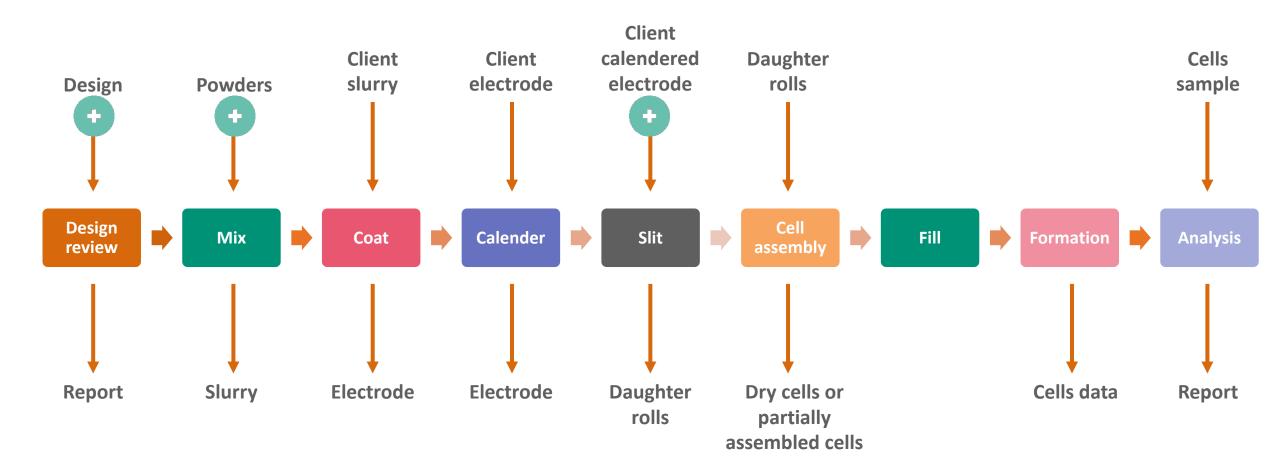


Manufacturing Process Steps



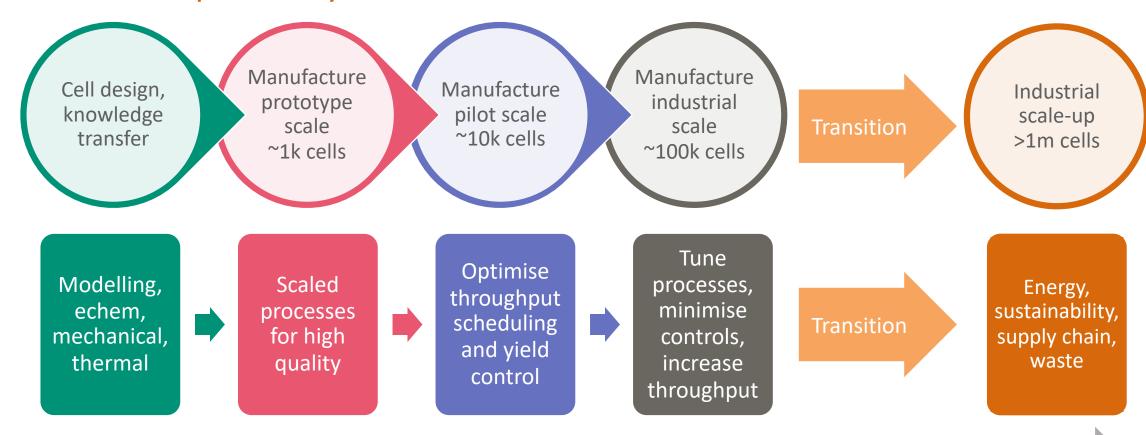


A Modular Capability





The Scale-up Journey



Data stream: visualisation, analytical tools, digital twins, real-time control People: Different skills at each stage required, with increasing knowledge base





Some electrode project limitations

- UKBIC will review materials and consider the limitation of processes
- Typical mix volume between 150L and 220L
- Typical solid mass per mix 200 to 450 kgs depending on slurry type and materials
- Max foil width 700mm
- Typical coat width 280mm-690mm
- Max coating speed slurry/pattern dependent
- Typical anode coat weight 75-150 g/m²
- Typical cathode coat weight 150-250 g/m²
- Foil lengths of several kms
- Only NMP or water-based slurry processing





Building cells at UKBIC

- UKBIC cells
 - 300x100x10 mm or 300x100x5 mm
 - 21700 cylindrical cells
 - Materials limitations electrolyte composition and volume
 - Setup
 - 30 to 60 litres of electrolyte
 - 50m of electrode just for webbing up, several 100ms for set up
 - Typically, between 30 to 50 electrode sheets per cell, meaning 3 to 5 m of electrode length per pouch cell
 - Formation
 - 2048 cylindrical cell channels for formation
 - 360 pouch cell channels for formation





Module Assembly





- Environment: ISO class 9, factory conditions
- Formats: cylindrical or pouch cells
- Max. dimensions: 0.4m x 0.4m x 0.25m
- Max. weight: 30kg
- Max. voltage: 60V
- Max. capacity: 200Ah
- Laser welding and wire bonding capabilities
- End-of-line testing
- Configurable process





Pack Assembly

Environment: ISO class 9, hazardous voltage

Formats: cylindrical or pouch cells

Max. dimensions: 2.5m x 1.75m x 0.5m

Max. weight: 1000kg

Max. voltage: 1000V

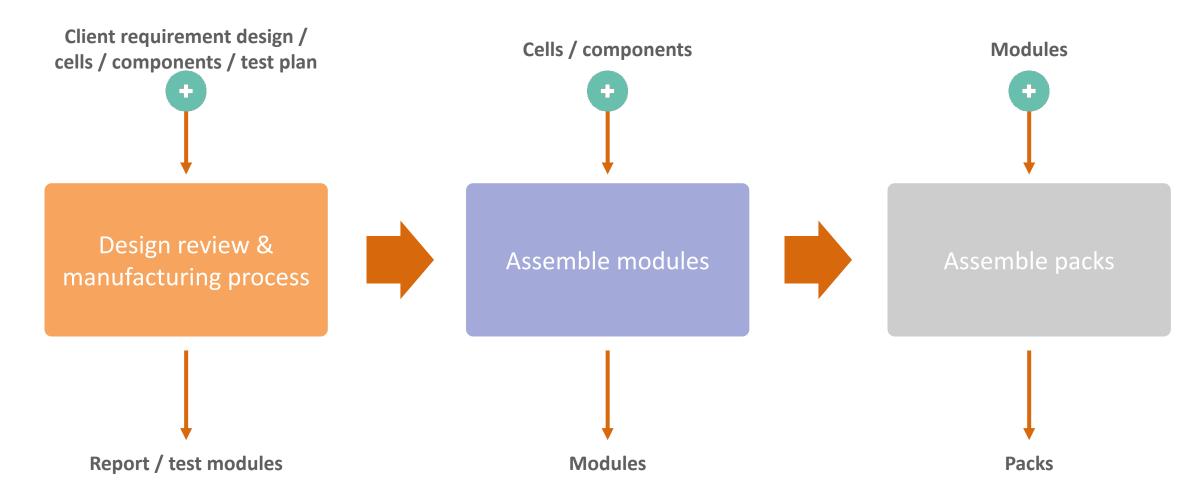
Max. capacity: 135kWh

End-of-line testing





A Modular Capability





Proposal – UKBIC

- UKBIC will be a subcontractor in the proposal and not a partner/co-bidder
- Quote
 - Breakdown of work packages and activities
 - Assumptions and dependencies
 - Risks
 - Key team members
 - UKBIC summary description and background
 - UKBIC T&Cs

- Finances
 - Cost per work package
 - Estimated timescales for activity, funding profile
 - Potential timing of project within the funding window (July 24 to March 25)
 - Payment terms



Timeline

Applications close: the 6th of March 2024

Date	Schedule			
29th Nov	UKBIC SME Credits Event			
ILITH LIAC	Register interest with outline description of project by close of play – email sales@ukbic.co.uk with 'SME Credit' in the subject line			
15th Dec	UKBIC issues NDA and information gathering templates where relevant to capture more detailed information and set appointment dates in January			
08/01/2024	Formal call opens			
16/01/2024	Online briefing event			
Jan till mid-Feb	Technical meetings, define the scope and proposal development			
End 2nd week February (21/02/2024)	After this date UKBIC does not guarantee that it will be able to develop a proposal in time for the close of the call			
End of February 2024	Final UKBIC financial proposal with estimated timings from UKBIC			
06/03/2024	SME Credit Competition R2 closes			
11/04/2024	Applicants notifications			



The UKBIC team supporting this call: Naseer Ahmed, Yahya Alvar, Vishal Nayar, Andrew Britton



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Subject: 'SME Credits'



OUR LINKS:





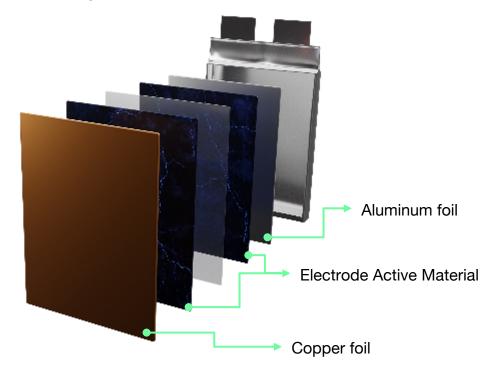




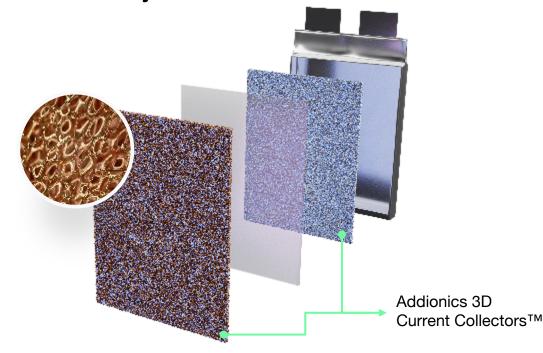
IDDIONICS

Marcelo Machado Tecnhical Project Manager

Standard Battery Cells



Addionics 3D Battery Cells



IDDIONICS

3D Current Collectors

Addionics' revolutionary 3D design enables a higher energy and lower cost battery, with less inactive material. By introducing a porous, 3D structured current collector – Addionics is able to get higher energy electrode into a battery without compromising power

Addionics Project Objective

Combining Addionics 3D current collectors into a well referenced cell design for manufacturing readiness assessment at UKBIC.

Addionics will assess and validate the manufacturability of their 3D electrode architectures to ensure production validation cells for onward qualification and commercial assessment.

Addionics will develop a cell to confirm the commercial viability of various 3D electrode architectures through cell manufacturing assessment at scale and certification.

Manufacturability / Commercial Viability / Certification



UK Battery Industrialisation Centre SME Credit Round 1

Project Setup

- → Scope Definition / Quoting Process UKBIC support
- → Internal Approval Business case
- → Application Process Experience with previous successful projects
- → Project Initiation Kick-Off meeting
- → Project Management / Quarterly Reports

Project Status

- Design phase and preparation activities completed.
- → First operational activities at UKBIC starting in a few weeks.





Our vision is to integrate our solution into any battery in the world, to accelerate electrification, and create a better future. For everyone.

Thank You.

Contact:

Marcelo Machado Technical Project Manager marcelo@addionics.com 0 7447 736 110





Faraday Battery Challenge UKBIC SME Credit Round 2 Scope

Oyebola Bello Programme Manager - Batteries

January 2024





Faraday Battery Challenge UKBIC SME Credit Round 2



Up to £1.5 million available for UK Registered Micro, Small and medium enterprises across 2 strands.

Strand	Research Category	RO Participation	Total project costs	Duration	Project completio n date
Digital or Software projects	Experimental Development	Up to 45%	£70,000 - £300,000	3- 9 months	By 31 st March2025
Processing for Electrode and Cells Projects	Experimental Development	Up to 45%	£100,000 - £1.0m	3 – 9 months	By 31 st March 2025

- support an SME's research and development for the scale-up of battery technologies within the UK
- support an SME to access the UK Battery Industrialisation Centre (UKBIC) and demonstrate technologies at suitable scales to customers
- increase engagement with UKBIC
- move UK battery innovations from technological potential towards commercial capability
- develop and secure material and manufacturing supply chains for battery technologies in the UK

Competition opened: 8th January 2024

summary

Competition deadline: 11am 6th March 2024

Digital or Software Projects



Strand	Research Category	Grant available	Total project costs	Duration	Project completion date
Digital or Software Project	Experimental Development	£1.5m	£70k - £300k	3-9 months	By 31 st March 2025

For Digital or Software projects we encourage applications focused on:

- testing process measurement and control systems on the UKBIC cell manufacturing process line, while considering integration for closed loop control of processes
- using novel software analytical methods for manufacturing and cell formation, data generated from UKBIC internal programmes only, with opportunities to leverage on data generated from a number of internal runs at UKBIC to support your innovation still retaining your intellectual property (IP)

Processing for Electrode and Cells Projects



Strand	Research Category	Grant available	Total project costs	Duration	Project completion date
Processing for Electrode and cells Project	Experimental Development	£1.5m	£100k - £1.0m	3-9 months	By 31 st March 2025

Processing for electrode and cells projects we encourage applications focused on:

- complete cell development project iterations, for example electrode through cells, includes mixing and coating, calendering and slitting, up to cell assembly, formation and ageing
- prove electrodes at scale, for example electrode only, includes mixing and coating, calendering and slitting
- · developing cell to module and pack assembly processes and associated testing

Specific Themes



Your project is expected to help build and secure the UK supply chain for battery technologies.

Your project must focus on one or more of the following:

- complete electrode and cell manufacturing process
- electrode manufacturing processes at scale
- new electrode formulations at scale, line compatibility to be confirmed dependent on specific solvent, either water or NMP, and material
- proving electrodes or other cell assembly processes at scale, for example, electrode only, includes mixing and coating, calendering and slitting
- developing cell to module and pack assembly processes and associated testing
- testing process measurement and control systems on the UKBIC cell manufacturing process line, while considering integration for closed loop control of processes
- using novel software analytical methods for manufacturing and cell formation, data generated from UKBIC internal programmes only, with opportunities to leverage on data generated from a number of internal runs at UKBIC to support your innovation still retaining your intellectual property (IP)

You can also focus on alternative materials or processes that will yield manufacturing energy reduction at scale, for example:

- materials or processes. not equipment or monitoring, that reduce the need for very dry electrode handling environment
- reduced electrode drying energy whilst maintaining electrode performance and characteristics

UKBIC SME Credit Round 2 - In scope



Your proposal must demonstrate :

- that you have developed or proven your innovation to a technology readiness level (TRL) 5 or above.
- the current maturity of your product or innovation including scale, yield and quality
- the work done to date to validate and prove your technology at its current level of maturity
- that your product or innovation is appropriate for, and compatible with the giga-scale pilot-line production facilities at UKBIC, for example, material and scale compatibility
- how you intend to use the UKBIC giga-scale pilot-line facilities
- the availability of materials and consumables for the project
- the nature of the outputs expected from the project
- if applicable, the volume of product expected at the end of the project
- how you will validate product performance
- how the project will accelerate your route to market
- how you will engage with customers during and following the project
- how the project outputs and outcomes will facilitate customer engagement

UKBIC operates an advanced and high throughput but conventional Li-ion process line. This means that not all materials or processes will be compatible. Solid State processes are not viable on the existing line at this stage.

UKBIC SME Credit Round 2 - Out of scope



We are not funding projects that are:

- are cells assembly, formation and testing without the electrode stage
- are non-compatible materials, for example, lithium sulfur
- are non-compatible solvents, currently only water and NMP based processes can be undertaken at UKBIC
- are non-compatible cell formats, for example, 46xx, 18650 cylindrical cells and prismatic cells
- are solid state battery processes
- Use technology which has not been proven at least TRL 4 to 5

We cannot fund projects that are:

- dependent on export performance, for example giving a subsidy to a baker on the condition that it exports a
 certain quantity of bread to another country
- dependent on domestic inputs usage, for example giving a subsidy to a baker on the condition that it uses 50% UK flour in their product

UKBIC SME Credit Round 2 – Eligible Cost



Eligible costs for this grant funding only include:

- labour
- travel and subsistence
- subcontracting
- overheads
- Materials

Note: Only the costs for materials manufactured by the SME, used in the project, are eligible. This is where the total value of materials allowed is not more than 20% of the total project costs in this competition.

Material development at a suitable scale, at a third party location, can also be an eligible cost.

- Number of applications An SME can only submit one application.
- Subcontractors are allowed in this competition.
- The majority of the costs for this grant funding must be subcontracting, of which UKBIC is the primary eligible subcontractor for this competition.
- All other subcontractor costs above 10% of the value of the project, will be deemed ineligible.

Tips and support



For help applying contact the Innovate UK Customer Service Desk: support@iuk.ukri.org or 0300 321 4357

For support and advice on applications contact the Innovate UK Knowledge Transfer Network:

- Highly recommended that you use their service, especially if you are new to Innovate UK competitions
- George Okechukwu Knowledge Transfer Manager for Clean Energy & Built Environment:

george.okechukwu@iuk.ktn-uk.org

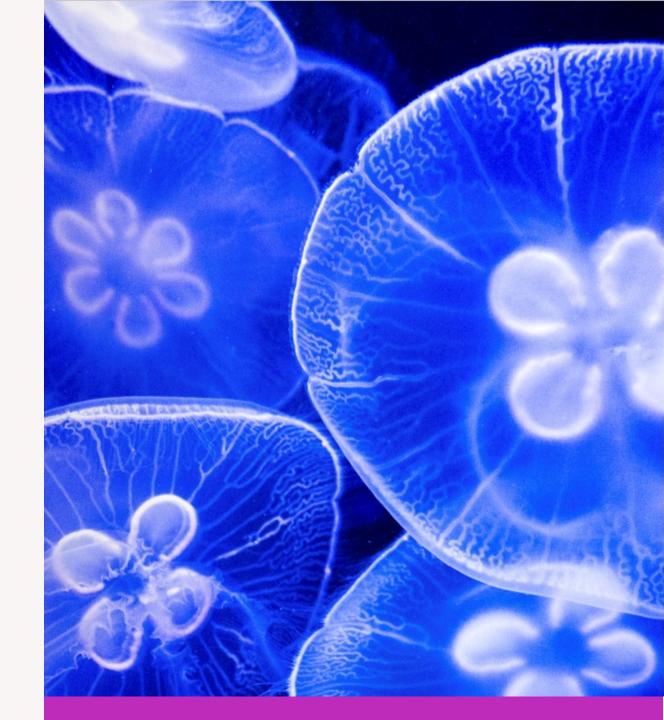
- For scope queries contact the Faraday Battery Challenge:
- Faraday Battery Challenge inbox: faradaybatterychallenge@iuk.ukri.org
- Oyebola Bello: Programme Manager Batteries
- Dr Diogo Vieira Carvalho: Innovation Leads Batteries

Advice:

- Contact us for help early do not wait until the last minute there is always one application which misses the deadline!
- Read scope and application questions thoroughly
- Submit applications early to avoid any last-minute issues
- IFS will close to submissions at 11am 6th March 2024

How to Apply-Sebastian Leonard





Eligibility criteria





Eligibility criteria UKBIC SME Credit Round 2 - processing for electrode and cells

Project eligibility	 To lead a project your organisation must be a UK registered micro, small or medium-sized enterprise (SME). This competition is open to single applicants only must carry out your project in the UK exploit the results from or in the UK
Total project costs	Must be between £100,000 and £1 million.
Project length	last between 3 and 9 months



Eligibility criteria UKBIC SME Credit Round 2 - digital or software

Project eligibility	 To lead a project your organisation must be a UK registered micro, small or medium-sized enterprise (SME). This competition is open to single applicants only. must carry out your project in the UK exploit the results from or in the UK
Total project costs	Must be between £70,000 and £300,000
Project length	last between 3 and 9 months



Funding

Funding rules

The level of funding awarded will depend upon the type of organisation and the type of research being undertaken in the project

Funding is calculated by project participant

IFS will advise the maximum grant % you can request based upon your answers to:

- type and size of organisation
- research category defined by the lead applicant in the Application Details section of the application

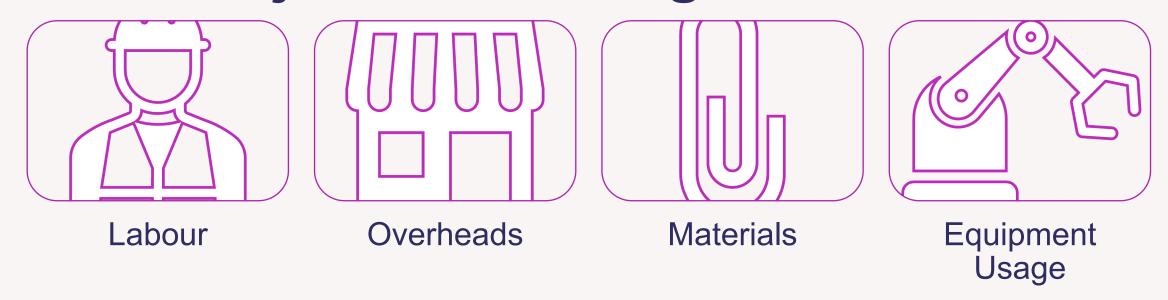
Eligibility Criteria

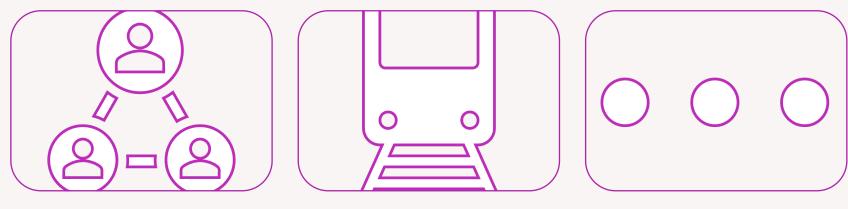
Experimental development: 45% for micro small, medium size enterprise





Your Project Cost Categories







Subcontractors UK

Travel & Subsistence

Other

Conditions of Award

Under the Subsidy Control Regime, we will conduct a financial review and seek assurances on your organisation, leadership team, and persons of significant control.

Certify you are eligible

When submitting an application, you must certify that you are eligible for funding. If you are unsure, please take independent legal advice before applying. You must pass our financial review and assurances before being offered a conditional award.



Other Innovate UK projects

If you have an outstanding final claim or Independent Accountant Report (IAR) on a live Innovate UK project, you will not be eligible to apply to this competition, as a lead or a partner organisation.

We will not award you any further funding if you:

- applied to a previous competition as the lead or sole company and were awarded funding by Innovate UK, but did not make a substantial effort to exploit that award
- applied to a previous competition as the lead or sole company and failed to comply with grant terms and conditions.



Previously submitted applications

Previously submitted application	Not a previously submitted application	
	A brand-new application, project or idea that you have not previously submitted into an Innovate UK competition OR	
Not materially different from one you have submitted before (but it can be updated	A previously submitted or ineligible application which:	
based on the assessors' feedback)	 has been updated based on assessor feedback 	
	 and is materially different from the application submitted before 	
	 and fits with the scope of this competition 	



Key Dates

Timeline	Dates
Competition Opens	08 January 2024
Briefing Event	16 January 2024
Submission Deadline (11am)	06 March 2024
Applicants informed	11 April 2024



Application Questions

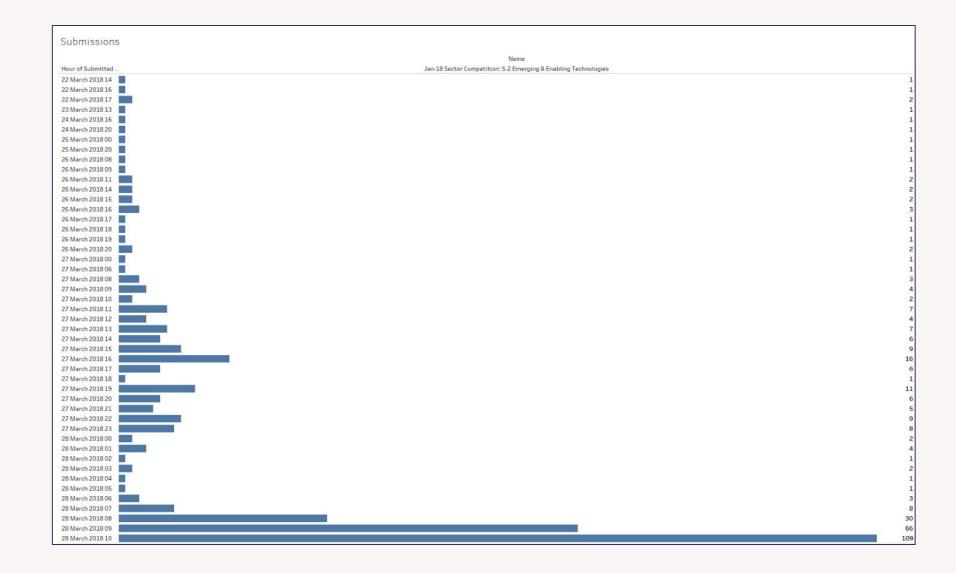
	Question	Appendix
Question 1.	Applicant location (not scored)	No
Question 2.	Animal Testing (not scored)	No
Question 3.	Need or challenge and current status of innovation	Yes
Question 4.	Approach and innovation	Yes
Question 5.	Team and resources	Yes
Question 6.	Market awareness	No
Question 7.	Outcomes and route to market	No
Question 8.	Wider impacts	No
Question 9.	Project management	Yes
Question 10.	Risks	Yes
Question 11.	Added value	No
Question 12.	Costs and value for money	No



Submit your application early!

Customer Support can help resolve any issues you might have when submitting but only if they are contacted before the deadline.

Once the deadline has passed, your application cannot be submitted.





Conditional offer of awarding

If you receive a notification saying you have been successful at the assessment stage, you will have a further 8 steps to complete in Project Setup.

These are:

- Project details
- Project team
- Documents
- Monitoring Officer allocation
- Bank details
- Finance checks
- Spend profile
- Grant Offer Letter

Work can only commence on the project once you have signed and returned the Grant Offer Letter.



Project Impact questions

- Each organisation in your application will complete the Project Impact questions within the 'Supporting information' section
- The Project Impact questions ask for data about your business and innovation and its contribution to the UK economy, society, and the environment
- Visit the <u>Project Impact guidance</u> page for more information, the types of questions you will be asked and how to get further support
- By providing this data, you are enabling us to better understand the impact of our support. It will help us identify success stories and provide evidence to government and the public of the value of supporting innovative businesses





For more information:

- Watch Our Impact Management
 Framework video <u>here</u>
- Watch How to Complete the Project Impact questions video <u>here</u>

Additional Support





Equality, Diversity & Inclusion

- We are on a mission to embed Equality,
 Diversity, and Inclusion in everything we do,
 internally and externally.
- We believe that great ideas can, and do, come from anyone and everyone.
- We know that diversity and inclusion in businesses contributes to enhanced innovation, satisfaction, performance, and ultimately, commercial success.
- So, if you would like any support, please contact our Customer Support Service Team on <u>support@iuk.ukri.org</u> or at 0300 321 4357.







What to Expect

1.

Contact our
Customer Support
Services Team as
early as possible –
we suggest at least
15 working days
before the deadline

2.

Complete a request form which will be sent to our partner Diversity & Ability (D&A)

3.

D&A will conduct
a Discovery
Conversation with
you and make
reasonable
adjustments
recommendations

4.

D&A will organise and deliver bespoke reasonable adjustments for and with you

5.

Submit your
application –
please do so well
ahead of the
deadline as
extensions cannot
be provided





Contact

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0300 321 4357 (Monday - Friday 9-5pm) support@iuk.ukri.org



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