



Assisted Living Technologies – Innovation Awards for Collaborative R&D

The University of Sheffield is launching an exciting scheme to work with **UK based SMEs** in the area of '**Assisted Living Technologies**'. Up to 10 Innovation Awards of £5k will be made available to initiate Collaborative R&D projects and give SMEs the opportunity to access research expertise and facilities. Projects will be business-led and should aim to develop innovative products, processes or technologies that respond to some of the key industry challenges in the area of 'Assisted Living Technologies', where the university has the appropriate expertise and facilities to deliver. This scheme aims to tackle some of the demanding challenges facing the medical technologies industry as it addresses this growing area.

The call for applications will open on 18th February 2011 and will close on 31st March 2011. Applications will be accepted at any time during this period. Application forms will be available from <http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/ris/kta>

All projects are expected to start by May 2011 and be a maximum of 3 months in duration. All projects should be completed by 31st August 2011.

Participants will also be invited to attend two events, where they will have the opportunity to build their networks with other companies and academics involved in the scheme. A showcase event will be held to present the results of the projects to a wider audience.

For further details, including guidelines and selection criteria, application form, please visit www.sheffield.ac.uk/ris/kta or contact one of the KTA Business Development Managers:

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