Research Facilities and Equipment Sharing

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What does Equipment Sharing mean to me?

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What are the benefits?

- Helps researchers find equipment and facilities available for sharing
- Encourages internal, national, and international collaboration
- Increases the exposure of facilities that can be used to recover some equipment costs
- Highlights a commitment to share equipment - beneficial when grant applications are under consideration
- Helps toward waste reduction, reduced consumption, recycling, and carbon profiling

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- Based on University’s Asset Register
- Items of Equipment and Facilities worth more than £10,000
- Items younger than 2006 (larger legacy items an exception)

Access to over 2500 items of Equipment and 58 Small Research Facilities
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- Funder Requirement to show commitment to Equipment Sharing in funding applications above £134,011 (inc VAT)
- Reports available at Individual PI, Departmental, and University level
- Grant Application Guidance and Advice
- Guidance on Equipment Disposal

- Science and Engineering South (SES) - Cambridge, Oxford, Imperial, UCL and Southampton

- 70% of Cambridge records exported to the National Equipment Portal

- Cross-fertilisation of ideas

- Fosters Collaboration
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The National Equipment Portal:

- Publicly accessible and viewable
- Developed by colleagues at Southampton
- Supported by 43 institutions
- Over 11,300 items

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How do I engage locally?

- Access to 2500 items within Cambridge
- Access to 58 Facilities within Cambridge
- Access to 237 Facilities within SES

- Access via Raven
- Type in Equipment name
- Select Equipment or Facility
- Search

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How do I engage locally?

- Over 90% of records contain:
  - full description
  - up-to-date contact details
  - image of the equipment for reference
  - Department and School details (and links)
  - Indication of current usage level

- Liaise directly with the primary contact

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How do I engage nationally?

• Records contain:
  - full description
  - up-to-date contact details
  - image of the equipment for reference

• Liaise directly with the primary contact

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Further Information

- Departmental outreach
- University websites and publications
- Email communications
- Annual Post-Doctoral Inductions
- Regular Twitter activity via Open Data account: #RFES
- Local and National Events
  - Sustainable Labs at Cambridge
  - National Sustainable Labs Conference

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To book an Induction Session

Individually, as a Research Group, or as a Department

Please get in touch!

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