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# The Bio-Economy Revolution [bio-manufacture]



Microbe-based production



Scaled up manufacturing



Products



# Problem / Solution



- Multistage
- Inefficient
- Expensive





### Pilot test



**CONCENTRATED OUTLET** 

### Microfluidics-based biomass harvesting system









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## Market Size



because innovation needs direction

Algae Products \$44B USD

Biological Pharmaceutical Products \$65B USD Bioseparation Instruments \$19B USD / 2018

Membranes/ filters/ centrifuges \$2B USD / 2018 TAM



Centrifuges \$0.5B USD / 2018 SAM 6% CAGR



## Target customers - biomanufacturers



















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Animal

Feed



Cell Therapy

Food

Pigment

Drugs



## **Customer Value Proposition**



#### Cost of new technology implementation at the customer side

(example shows comparision between uFraction8's medium size unit costing £400k and the equivalently sized centrifuge system)



# Features, Benefits and Competitive Advantages

#### Feature

- Modular
- Energy Efficiency
- Single Stage Process
- Gentle Flow Regime
- Closed System
- Low Stored Energy

#### **Customer Benefit**

- Scalable to match process
- Reduced OPEX
- Ease of use, reduced labour
- Increased product recovery
- No contamination vector
- Safer to operate and maintain

#### **Competitor disadvantage**

- Fixed capacity ranges
- Expensive to run and install
- Requires pre-concentration
- Up to 15% product loss
- Can't reuse contaminated liquid
- Confined spaces, catastrophic failure potential

## **Executive Team**



#### Dr Monika Tomecka

PhD in Biomedical science

> Geneticist and **Biochemist**

**Previous startup** experience



#### Dr Brian Miller

PhD in Microfluidics and **Biosensors** 

High throughput microfluidics expert

Automation & Microfluidics Engineer





Liza Sutherland **Enterprise Executive** (University of Edinburgh) **Business/Corporate** Advisor



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Adam Irvine **IP** specialist Associate Professor (Carlton Hill Ltd)

ClimateKIC mentor Technical Advisor

### Team



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Andrew McNair **Managing Director** (Innova Partnerships)

Commercial Advisor High **Grow Startup Unit** Interns





## Traction and collaboration

### - Industry Partners



### - Research Partners





### Summary

- Disruptive, patented and sustainable filtration/ concentration/ dewatering solution
- Tested pilot scale prototype –TRL7
- Substantial beachhead market opportunity (Microalgae)
- Market appetite and traction
- £40k sales revenue generated in year 1
- cumulative **£400k** of cash and **£250k** in kind services and partnerships
- looking for **£1.5million** investment
- looking for collaboration partners



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