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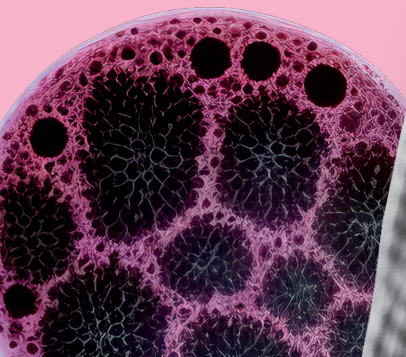
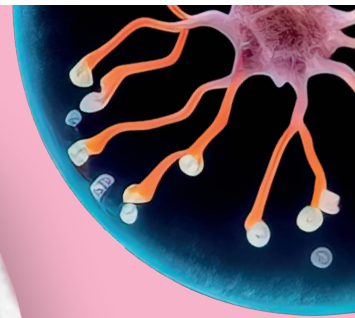
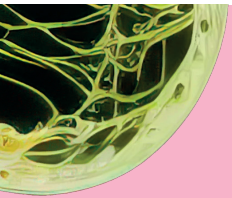
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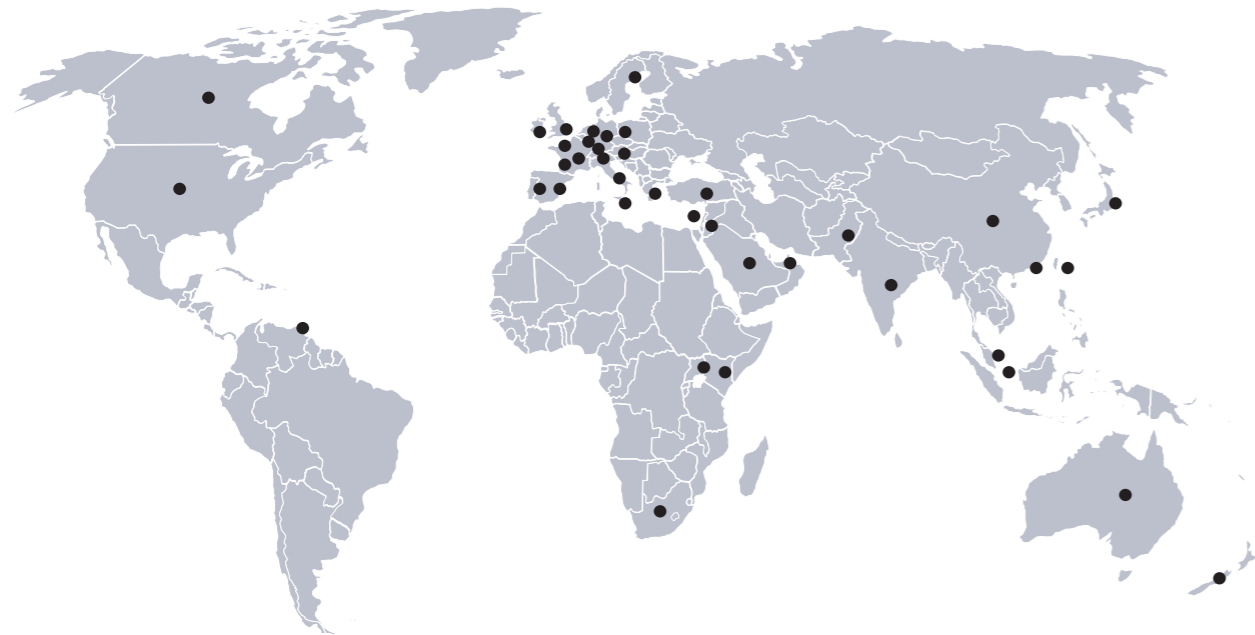


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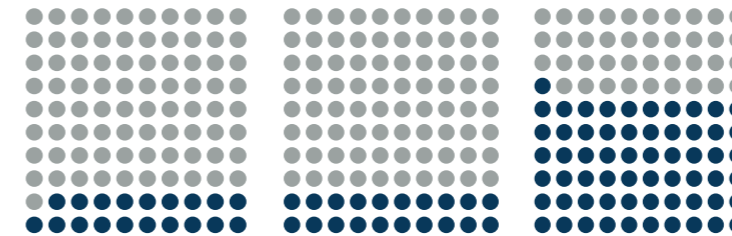
Your gifts in 2022/23 added up to achieve an incredible impact on our Bath community and beyond.

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# WELCOME



I am delighted to share with you our donor magazine, *Inspire*, which celebrates the power of philanthropy at Bath.

This past academic year, I have again been inspired by the strength of our community and the generosity of alumni and friends. Your support enables us to achieve excellence in all that we do and there has been much to celebrate during 2022/23.

Thanks to you, we awarded 459 scholarships to deserving undergraduate and postgraduate students, who may otherwise have found it difficult to afford their studies. On page 14, you can read more about the transformative impact that a scholarship has on young people's lives, such as Yaaseir, who escaped persecution in pursuit of an education.

Together with your support, we have launched the prestigious Research with Impact PhD Scholarships that will enable us to recruit the best talent to Bath and further our important research in sustainability, health and wellbeing, and digital. These priority areas are all at the heart of the greatest global challenges and opportunities of our time. I hope this magazine will give you great pride in learning more about solutions we are developing that will have an impact far beyond Bath.

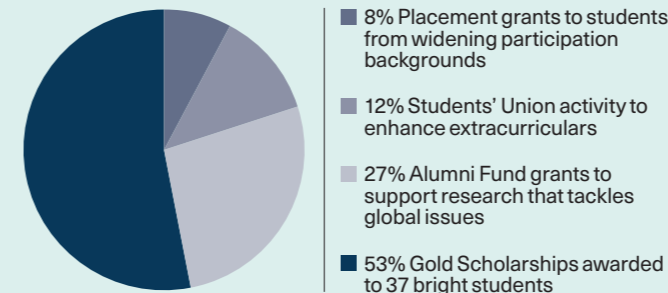
This year we have seen our remarkable achievements across education, research, enterprise and student experience recognised in our enhanced ranking positions at both national and international level. The year began with Bath being named The Times and Sunday Times University of the Year 2023 and concluded with us ranked in the UK's top 5 by the Complete University Guide 2024. Internationally we climbed 31 places in the QS World University Rankings to join the top 150, or top 10%, of universities globally.

Students are at the heart of all we do, and it has been incredibly heartening to have been awarded triple Gold, the highest awards possible, in the Teaching Excellence Framework 2023 for both the overall assessment and the two underpinning assessments of student outcomes and student experience. This means that the TEF panel judged that at Bath the undergraduate student experience and student outcomes are of the highest quality.

These are significant milestones for the University and our community plays a vital part in our successes. I would like to offer my grateful thanks to all our supporters for the extremely valuable role you play in helping us to achieve our goals and further our mission. I very much look forward to continuing our important work over the next, and my final, year as Vice-Chancellor at the University of Bath.

**Professor Ian White DL FEng**  
Vice-Chancellor and President

## What your Alumni Fund supported in 2022/23



**1,661 alumni mentors on Bath Connection, our networking site for Bath students and graduates.**

You can register to be an Expert via [go.bath.ac.uk/bath-connection](https://go.bath.ac.uk/bath-connection)



## Alumni Fund: the power of collective giving

More than **£300k** donated through the regular giving of

**2,005** donors

**459** scholarships supported

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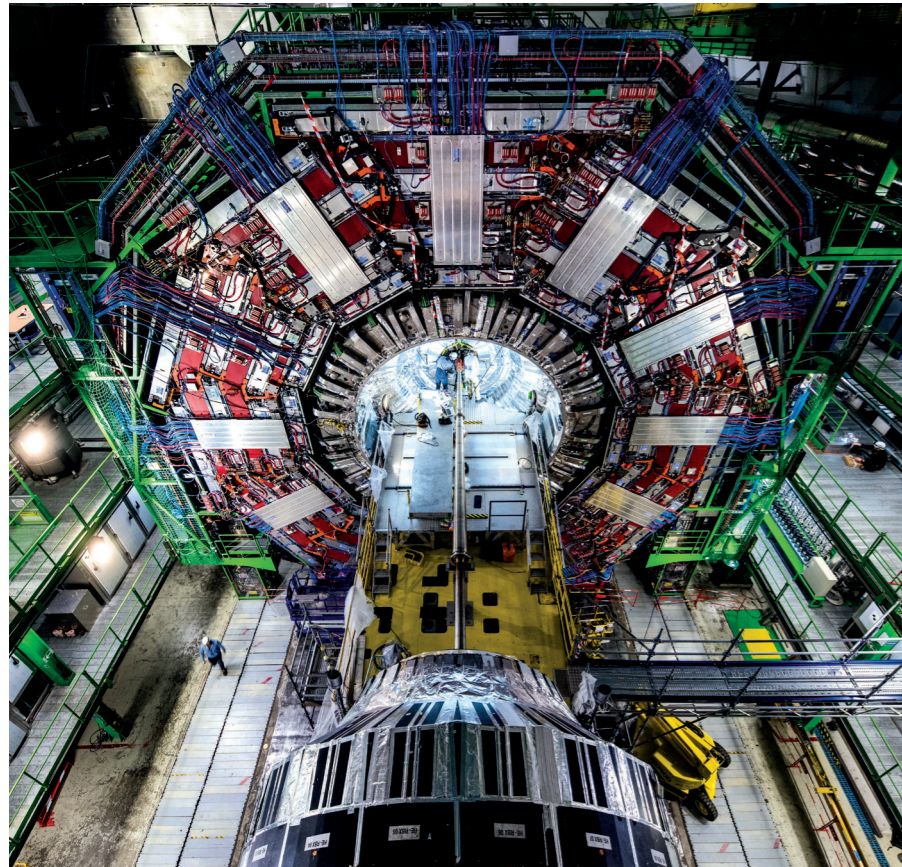
Research in sustainability, digital, and health and wellbeing

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Student support and enterprise



# UNIVERSITY UPDATES



The CMS experiment is one of the major particle physics detectors at CERN's Large Hadron Collider

## A smashing partnership

A new collaboration agreement with the European Laboratory for Particle Physics (CERN) will lead to more research and placement opportunities for our community. This includes a new, CERN-funded PhD. "We had an incredibly productive visit to Geneva, which has allowed us to expand our relationship and build connections," says Dr Alexander Lunt from our Department of Mechanical Engineering.

## Boosting pharmacy in the South West

The University has entered a new partnership with the University of Plymouth, supported by Health Education England, to deliver our highly ranked pharmacy course in Devon. The initiative is aimed at addressing the current shortage of trained pharmacists in the South West, and will offer students in the area the opportunity to gain a Bath degree in their local surroundings.

## New faces for The University of Bath Foundation Board

This summer, we were pleased to welcome four new members to The University of Bath Foundation Board, which disburses donations from our US-based community: alumni Mark Anzani, Dorothy McAleer, Gary Lilley and Mike Ashworth. In May, Mike also hosted a roundtable dinner and discussion in New York on behalf of the Advancement Office, focusing on sport research at the University.

## £12m project to revolutionise food production

The University has won funding from the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council to lead a new Cellular Agriculture Manufacturing Hub. Headed up by Professor Marianne Ellis from the Department of Chemical Engineering, the project will bring together researchers from Aberystwyth, Birmingham and London to explore new production methods that will reduce carbon emissions, use less land and water, and improve animal welfare.



Professor Marianne Ellis will lead the £12m Hub

## Fuels for the future

UK-HyRES, the UK Hub for Research Challenges in Hydrogen and Alternative Liquid Fuels, has received £11 million from the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council as part of a larger £53 million investment in research to decarbonise the nation's energy sector.

The hub is led by Professor Tim Mays from the Department of Chemical Engineering and, over the next five years, it will address the research challenges blocking the wider use of hydrogen in the UK.



IDRIC has funded two Bath projects investigating how to decarbonise industry



## New projects to tackle carbon emissions

Two Bath researchers have received a total of £6 million in funding from the Industrial Decarbonisation Research and Innovation Centre, of which our Institute for Sustainability is a major partner. Professor Marcelle McManus will be leading on research to track carbon emissions on a global scale, and Dr Xinyuan Ke will be developing new ways to decarbonise the cement and concrete industry.

## £250,000 gift to support new materials research

An Advanced Functional Materials Laboratory has been created on campus in 5 West thanks to a generous £250,000 gift from the Garfield Weston Foundation. The lab will be led by Professor Kamal Asadi from the Department of Physics and will design and develop novel materials to tackle issues such as climate change and healthcare.



A showcase of start-ups created by students was on display in the East Building

## Celebrating enterprise on campus

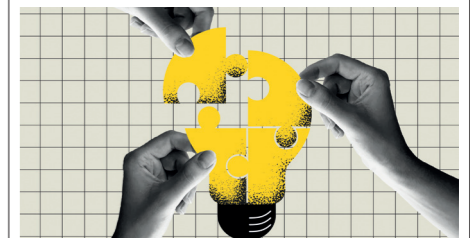
Enterprise Day 2023 brought together alumni, students and researchers to celebrate entrepreneurial success, where we were delighted to welcome guest speaker Stephen Kelly, alumnus and Chair of Tech Nation. University spinout companies also shared their experiences at the event – including EnsiliTech, which recently raised £1.2 million to refine their award-winning technology that allows vaccines to be stored without refrigeration.

## Twinning with Ukraine

We are delighted to have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Luhansk Taras Shevchenko National University (LTSNU) as part of an initiative to help ensure that Ukrainian universities can play an essential role in the post-war reconstruction effort. Bath's first shipment of humanitarian assistance arrived in July, which included audio-visual equipment to enable better communication between LTSNU's dispersed campuses, as well as laboratory equipment to support research and teaching.



LTSNU colleagues unloading the shipment of aid



## Building on success

Santander Universities UK have recently renewed their partnership with the University, signing a £150,000, three-year agreement. This our sixth agreement with the building society and brings their total gifts to Bath to £2.6 million. Santander's support for our students includes sports scholarships, entrepreneurship awards and donations to the Student Hardship Fund.



# LIFE-SAVING SCIENCE



## HEALTH & WELLBEING

Our research leads to improved health and wellbeing. We create technologies that tackle disease, help sportspeople reduce injury and improve performance, and support systems to deliver better healthcare for all.





## Award-winning alumnus makes a transformational gift to support research and innovation in the Department of Life Sciences.



▲ Professor Raymond F. Schinazi (right) with Professor Philip Ingham FRS, the first holder of the Raymond F. Schinazi and Family Chair of Life Sciences

Scientist, pharmaceutical entrepreneur and inspiring alumnus, Professor Raymond F. Schinazi, has made a most generous £2 million donation\* to advance research and innovation in the University's Department of Life Sciences.

The endowment has established the Raymond F. Schinazi and Family Chair of Life Sciences, with the Department's Head, Professor Philip Ingham FRS, becoming the first holder of the Professorial Chair. Raymond has also generously donated to launch a new Life Sciences Innovation Fund, 'Synergy Awards', available for Bath academics and students to support projects that address global challenges, from antimicrobial resistance to biodiversity.

Raymond was a refugee from Egypt in 1964 when he moved to England after winning a scholarship to sit his O and A-Levels, before joining Bath in 1968 where

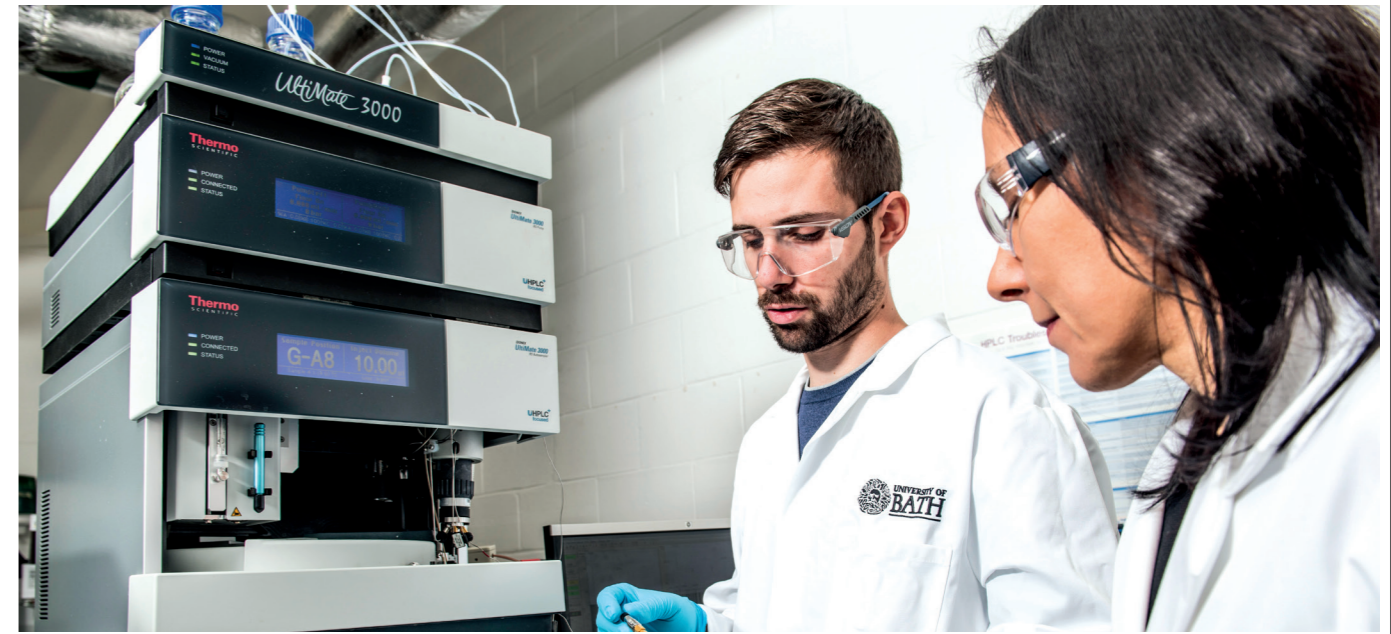
he completed an undergraduate degree and a PhD in chemistry. He went on to have an outstanding academic career in the pharmaceutical sector, working as a pharmacologist and virologist while establishing multiple successful biotech companies in the United States.

Most notably, his work led to the development of several antiviral drugs effective against HIV. Today around 94% of HIV patients take one of the drugs he invented. He was also instrumental in the discovery and development of drugs for hepatitis B and a cure for hepatitis C. These breakthroughs, and Raymond's work in bringing these drugs to the market, have saved many lives and improved the quality of life for millions of patients worldwide. He continues to work actively as a leading scientist and entrepreneur based at Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, Georgia, United States.

"I came to the UK as an immigrant from Egypt to continue to benefit from a British education, and I'm very grateful to Britain for providing me with an outstanding education," says Raymond. "It's so important to support underprivileged, bright students, especially those who are immigrants, and give them an opportunity to study at Bath. Now it is my turn to give back and to make this world a better place."

The Department of Life Sciences at the University of Bath was established in 2022 by merging the departments of Biology & Biochemistry, and Pharmacy & Pharmacology. This created a cross-disciplinary, collaborative department, bringing together expertise and greater opportunities to build partnerships with the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industrial sectors, as well as the NHS.

"I'm delighted and very honoured to become the first Raymond F. Schinazi and Family Chair of Life Sciences," says the Department Head, Philip.



"Raymond is a hugely inspiring figure whose pioneering work illustrates what the life sciences can achieve. We're very grateful indeed for this gift, which will support our efforts to emulate his exciting and impactful work here at the University."

Philip is a geneticist whose studies of fruit flies and zebra fish – which share over 70% of their genes with humans – have furthered our understanding of how embryos develop, as well as the genetic mutations that cause particular birth defects and cancers. His pioneering work on cell signalling as a Principal Scientist at the Imperial Cancer Research Fund (now CRUK), led to the development of a treatment for basal cell carcinoma (BCC), one of the most common forms of cancer.

Before joining Bath in 2022, Philip worked in Singapore for many years where he was the founding Vice Dean for Research at the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine, a partnership between Imperial College London and Nanyang Technological University.

"The formation of the Department of Life Sciences presents tremendous opportunities for new interactions across a broad range of disciplines," says Philip on what drew him to Bath. "It's about people with different perspectives and areas of expertise working together to generate new ideas, and the Synergy Awards will enable them to go further and make a real difference."

## RAYMOND IS A HUGE INSPIRING FIGURE WHOSE PIONEERING WORK ILLUSTRATES WHAT THE LIFE SCIENCES CAN ACHIEVE.

▲ The Department of Life Sciences spans a diverse range of topics, from drug discovery science and healthcare, to evolutionary biology and biodiversity

Raymond agrees that collaboration is key: "There's so much talent out there: it's a matter of connecting brains and mingling with people outside your own discipline. It's important to diversify your knowledge, to know what else there is out there, because that's how the ideas will form."

To mark his gift, the Bath alumnus and honorary graduate gave a public lecture on campus entitled: 'The scientific advances making hepatitis elimination possible: translating science to cure'. "You don't become a scientist because you want to be famous or rich," says Raymond. "You do it because you are passionate about science."

"You try to find solutions to problems and sometimes – with a lot of hard work, intuition, study and experience – you develop something that cures a disease, for example. You get rewarded with fame but also monetarily, and then you can use that to do more research, and you can give more to charity. Giving back is so important." ✨



# Funding solutions

With your support, Bath researchers are working for a cleaner, greener future.



► A green hydrogen manufacturing plant has opened at IAAPS research and innovation centre at the Bristol and Bath Science Park

▼ Professor Chris Brace is Executive Director of IAAPS – the £70m advanced propulsion facility that's designing low-carbon transport solutions



The climate crisis demands practical and sustainable solutions, rooted in how we make, use and dispose of the products and services we've come to rely on. Here at Bath, researchers from across the University are tackling this critical issue. Our projects are crossing traditional lines between disciplines and bringing together experts from different fields to drive a sustainable future.

"No other institution in the UK has our track record and breadth of expertise, working closely together towards a common goal of delivering sustainable net zero technologies," says the Institute for Sustainability's Co-Director, Matthew Davidson. From growing cultured meat using grass and powering the UK's energy transition, to using sugar to make sustainable plastics – our researchers are developing solutions to pressing global challenges, and they couldn't do it without your help.

School of Management alumnus Jon Hughes and his wife Catherine have generously pledged more than £670,000 to support six Research with Impact PhD Scholarships in sustainability. These prestigious scholarships enable us to attract the best and brightest inventors and innovators that are essential to scientific research. "What excites us about sustainability research at Bath is that it's investing in future technologies that will enable

people to continue to live the lives they want to live but in a much more sustainable and less polluting way," says Jon.

Finding future fuels is key to addressing the climate crisis. Not only is the University leading a multi-million research hub dedicated to this (read more on page 4), but we're also hosting the first green hydrogen manufacturing plant in the South West, finding ways to harness hydrogen and alternative liquid fuels as a sustainable energy source in aviation, marine and heavy-duty transport, which are hard to electrify. "We want the UK to be a leader in developing future fuels, with Bath at the forefront," adds Catherine.

The couple have long championed postgraduate research, supporting their first student more than a decade ago. "We both have a real affinity for Bath," explains Jon, "Catherine was born here, and I studied business at the University. Bath played a big part in my career, so it's great to give something back and help advance scientific knowledge."

The variety of research the scholars have undertaken ranges from exploring astrophysics to developing technological solutions to help Alzheimer's patients live independently for longer, and over the years, they've been able to see research projects transform from ideas into reality. "We were one of the early supporters of Asel [Sartbaeva]'s research into stable vaccines and that's become a phenomenal thing," he says. Asel has since developed life-saving technology to make vaccines stable in all temperatures, meaning more people around the world can be immunised against vaccine-preventable diseases.

"We wanted to help people doing important work, and Bath's PhD programme enabled us to do that," says Catherine. "We felt we were very close to where the money was being used and knew it was having a direct impact – making a difference to people's lives, advancing science, as well as the reputation of the University, and that was compelling. It made it an easy decision to support."



## SUSTAINABILITY

Our research is leading to low-carbon living. With your support, we're exploring how we travel, build, manufacture, heat and eat more sustainably, bringing together innovative technological solutions with insight into human behaviour, policy and society.





## DIGITAL

Our digital research helps make the world safer, smarter and more connected – from developing ways to predict the future of the climate and improving the efficiency of supply chain technology, to protecting people online and more.

# SAFETY IN SPORT

**Thanks to donor support, students and academics are tackling player safety with science.**

**C**ollisions between players are an integral part of rugby – but what can be done to make the game as safe as possible? This is one of the questions being investigated by Professor Keith Stokes from our Department for Health.

His work is supported by a generous gift of £125,000 from local businessman Bruce Brain. Alongside a career in technology that included the development of vehicle number-plate recognition for speed cameras, Bruce was a talented rugby player in his youth. As such, he's found that Bath's fusion of sport and digital expertise offers a unique opportunity to support cross-disciplinary research in both areas.

Part of Bruce's gift has been used to fund a project focusing on measuring the impacts experienced during rugby using wearable devices: an augmented rugby shirt with sensors sewn into the fabric, and a sensor-equipped mouthguard. This research sees

Keith teaming up with Professor Eamonn O'Neill, Head of our Department of Computer Science.

"Through projects with the Rugby Football Union and Premiership Rugby, we have deployed the mouthguards in over 600 male and female rugby players in the Premiership and Premier 15s (now Premiership Women's Rugby), as well as 100 youth rugby players" says Keith. "This is new off-the-shelf technology that will develop rapidly over the coming years and this collaboration between health and computer science will enable us to carry out really detailed analysis of exciting and novel data."

The data will be used to monitor the different forces applied to players' bodies, such as acceleration and impact, and will provide insight to help inform player management in pursuit of a safer game for all. Rasita Pokairat, one of the MSc Data Science students working on the project, adds: "This could be applied to specific areas of rugby, such as tracking concussions, or to broader areas, such as assessing player performance or designing training programmes. It's a real opportunity to improve player safety and success."

Keith's research is already having a real-world impact by enhancing players' safety through the 'Crouch, Bind, Set' approach for scrums, which was trialled and implemented globally as a new rugby law from 2014. He was also central in the development of Activate, the first rugby-specific injury prevention exercise programme, which reduced concussions by up to 60% in controlled studies.

"Now we're scaling up our ambitions to reduce injury by partnering with the University of Edinburgh through the International Olympic Committee's UK Collaborating Centre on Injury and Illness Prevention in Sport," says Keith. "By working together, we're helping to change the game, making it safer for players now and into the future to enjoy."

In addition to furthering research, Bruce's gift will also support budding entrepreneurs through Alumni Innovation Awards, which give promising graduates the means to develop their ideas into viable businesses, as well as funding a scout for student projects within industry. Student enterprise is close to Bruce's heart, and he has previously supported the University's Dragons' Den competition.

In recognition of Bruce's gift to the University, he was invited to sign the Chancellor's Roll of Honour during a visit to campus in spring 2023. 🌟

**NOW WE'RE SCALING UP OUR AMBITIONS TO REDUCE INJURY.**

Introducing the 'Crouch, Bind, Set' technique to international rugby law has significantly reduced the risk of long-term back injuries for players



# Breaking barriers

Whether it's through regular giving or large-scale philanthropy, you're transforming students' lives for the better.



## STUDENT SUPPORT

Talent knows no boundaries and should never be constrained by circumstance. With your support, the University provides scholarships and packages of support so talented students of all backgrounds can afford to come to Bath and thrive while they are here.



“I always wanted to go into healthcare and help people,” says pharmacy student and Alumni Fund Sanctuary Gold Scholar Yaaseir, “because Rohingya refugees like me have been persecuted for a very long time. We do not have doctors. We do not have access to healthcare. So that motivated me when I was young to work towards a degree in the sector.”

Despite achieving excellent exam results, Yaaseir's hope of university in his home country of Myanmar was dashed by the government's ban on Rohingya students. He fled the genocide to Bangladesh in 2017 and came to the UK in late 2020. Thanks to the University's Gold Scholarship Programme, he's been thriving at Bath since September 2022, despite the obstacles in his path.

“I can't talk with my family all the time, so because of that, I became demotivated sometimes, even though I tried not to be. But the Gold Scholarship team were always there for me,” he explains. “Through the programme, we had a lot of events, so I made a lot of friends who are like-minded and want to use the opportunity to develop themselves.”

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▲ Networking events are an important part of the Gold Scholarship Programme, helping students to build confidence and make connections

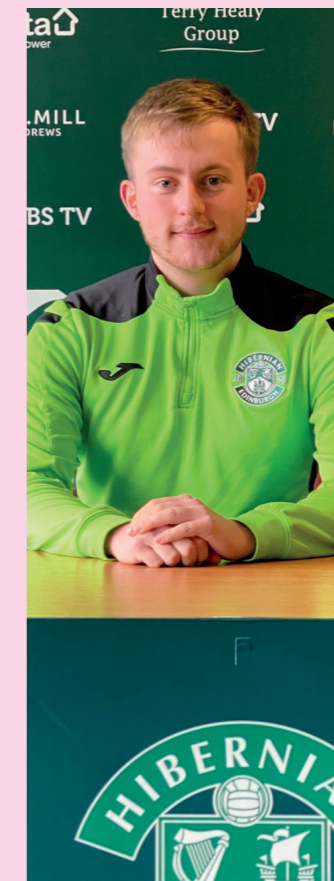
◀ Gold Scholars like Yaaseir benefit from a holistic package of support, including skills workshops, mentoring and volunteering opportunities

With over 2,000 donors per year, your Alumni Fund harnesses the power of our community to achieve amazing things through regular giving – including funding ten new Gold Scholarships per year. Each of these scholarships unlocks the potential for a bright mind to seize every opportunity Bath has to offer, regardless of their circumstances, and one per year is ringfenced for refugees and asylum seekers like Yaaseir.

None of this would be possible without your help. In addition to the Alumni Fund, Gold Scholarships are also supported by individual philanthropy, corporate partners and legacy gifts. Donations can also be endowed in order to help students for years to come, such as Champagne That Cares founder and alumnus Mark Philips' generous gift to set up the Brigid Memorial Gold Scholarship. This endowment will support at least ten Gold Scholars during its lifetime.

Each year, 50 new students from disadvantaged backgrounds receive the Gold Scholarship Programme's holistic package of financial and pastoral support, including access to mentors, networking events and skills sessions to enable them to succeed at Bath and beyond. Thank you for giving the gift of opportunity. ✨

## YOUR ALUMNI FUND ALSO SUPPORTS...



### Golden opportunities

“I was able to undertake a transformative placement in the House of Commons, enriching my understanding of our democratic processes and reinforcing my belief in the power of active citizenship.”

**Alfie (BSc Computer Science & AI),  
Gold Opportunities Fund recipient**

### Placement grants

“The Alumni Fund grant helped me this year while on placement at Hibernian Football Club. I've had some special experiences, such as filming for the Europa Conference League qualifying games and being involved in the recruitment of a new manager and players.”

**Henry (MSci Sport & Exercise Science), Alumni Fund  
Placement Grant recipient**



### Sustainability projects

“The support from alumni is really important for young entrepreneurs like me, it's people saying, ‘Yes, we see the opportunity in this’. It makes you feel that you can make an impact.”

**Dr Helen Liang (PhD in Sustainable & Circular Technologies 2022),  
co-founder of LabCycle, which  
recycles plastic waste from labs to  
make research more sustainable.**

### Student experience

“The Access Fund allowed me to pursue my passion for salsa by paying for my competition equipment and travel – something I was so excited to do and that has benefited my skills and mental wellbeing, too.”

**Students' Union Alumni  
Access Fund recipient**



# FACE TO FACE



## Alumnus and donor **Brian Nicholson** returns to campus to meet his newest PhD scholar, **Maria Petrou**.

**T**riple alumnus and long-standing supporter of the University, Eur Ing Dr Brian Nicholson KC, began his time at Bath studying electrical and electronic engineering and progressed to PhD study. Brian trained in law and works as a barrister specialising in intellectual property law. He was appointed as Queen's Counsel (now King's Counsel) in 2019. Brian has supported scholarships at Bath for more than a decade and was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Engineering in 2018.

Maria Petrou completed her master's in robotics engineering at Bath in 2023 and is now studying for a PhD here thanks to a scholarship supported by Brian. Her research will focus on how 'soft' robots can be used in healthcare settings.

**Brian:** It's always fantastic to meet a new scholar. The University liaises with me when they've got somebody in mind, and I get told fantastic things about you, how well you've been doing as an undergraduate and a bit about your final-year project. But putting a face to a name and a CV is always great.

**Maria:** It's the same for me – nice to put a face to the person sponsoring me. It was nerve-wracking because it's a big moment, but it got me even more excited about the PhD.

My research is based on work that I did as an undergrad, where I was working on neural interfaces over a summer placement. I was trying to use artificial intelligence to map bladder pressure signals coming from the spinal cord. And then in my final-year project I was working with software to control robots. So I'm putting those two areas that I've really enjoyed together – trying to use 'soft', shape-changing robots and understand how to control them with respect to the body.

**Brian:** Maria was telling me a little bit about this earlier and, unknown to us both, the research that she picked up and implemented was actually done by one of my previous PhD students who's still in the Department of Electronic & Electrical Engineering, Dr Jonathan Graham-Harper-Cater. It was more coincidence than design, and I don't think she was aware of that connection until now!

One of my deliberate intentions in funding PhDs is that I have no expectations as to what my students spend their time researching, provided they dedicate themselves to their studies and fulfil the degree requirements.

◀ Scholarships provide PhD candidates like Maria with the time and space to focus on their research

People finding their feet in the research world need to be able to discover something that interests them, a spark that they want to take forward. Part of the problem with modern robotics, for example, is that the programming languages that we're using aren't designed in a way that allows robots to be properly expressed. If you end up finishing your PhD and developing a new style of programming, I've got no problem with that – although your supervisor may have other ideas! I really think that freedom is important.

**Maria:** That was what got me so excited about getting this scholarship in the first place and why I felt so privileged to get it. I'm just keen to see what I find out during the PhD, and hopefully get something out of it at the end that's genuinely new.

I've not really thought too much about what I plan to do afterwards, but I definitely want to stay in research – whether that ends up being through academia or commercial avenues. I've really liked the research projects I've done so far and I'm really looking forward to the PhD, so I want to keep that up.

**Brian:** Make sure you enjoy it. You will never get three years again with the time, energy and lack of distraction to really develop your own intellect. This truly is a time for you to discover how you think, how you research and what you can achieve. It gives me such pleasure in providing the support for you to be able to do that. Don't make it a hard slog; it should be the most exciting academic time you've had. 🌟

**THIS IS A TIME FOR YOU TO DISCOVER HOW YOU THINK, HOW YOU RESEARCH AND WHAT YOU CAN ACHIEVE.**

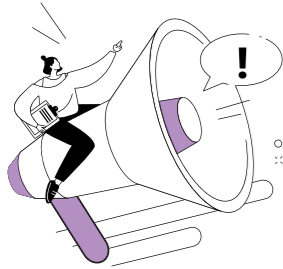


# GET INVOLVED

Here are six ways you can connect with your global Bath community.

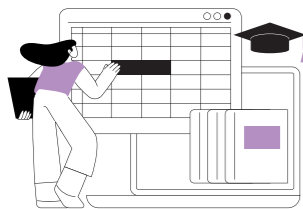
## JOIN BATH CONNECTION

Offer words of wisdom and help students benefit from your industry insights by signing up as an Alumni Expert. You can also network with Bath grads all over the world via [go.bath.ac.uk/bath-connection](https://go.bath.ac.uk/bath-connection)



## BE SOCIAL

Join our online communities on Facebook, X (Twitter), Instagram and LinkedIn and be part of the conversation. Hear about events, the latest happenings on campus, and share your memories with fellow grads.



## HIRE TOP TALENT

You know from experience how bright and capable Bath students and grads are, so get on the front foot and take the opportunity to recruit top talent. Email [recruit@bath.ac.uk](mailto:recruit@bath.ac.uk) if you would like to offer internships, placements or graduate roles. The door is open.



## SHARE YOUR STORY

Where did your degree take you? Inspire others by sharing your career journey and advice on making the most of university by taking part in our series of Parade Profiles on the alumni blog: [blogs.bath.ac.uk/on-parade](https://blogs.bath.ac.uk/on-parade)

## JOIN AN ALUMNI CHAPTER

Alumni Chapters are a chance to network and socialise in your region. Get in touch to find out more information, or volunteer to set one up in your area. We're happy to help.



## STAY IN TOUCH

Have you changed address or updated your email? Let us know so you don't miss out on **BA2** magazine, event invitations in your area and benefits such as free lifelong Library membership.



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# THANK YOU

Your generous support and philanthropic example make such a difference here at the University of Bath. Your donations really do change lives, and we thank you on behalf of all those whose lives are touched by your kindness.

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Our commitment to you, the University's donor community:

- Swift acknowledgement of your pledge, gift or instalment
- Invitations to relevant student support and research-focused events, where you can hear more from beneficiaries on the impact of your donations
- The annual donor magazine, **Inspire**, including specific reporting relative to your giving

## WHY DO YOU GIVE?



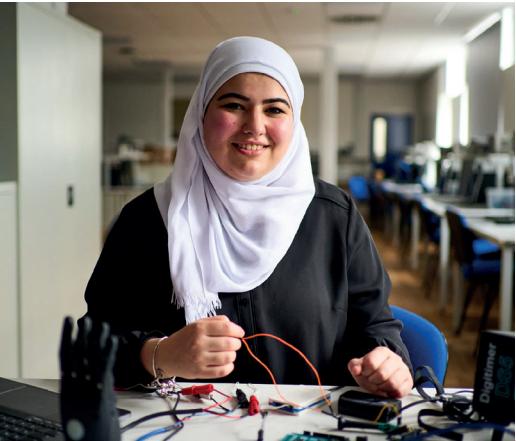
## Giving circles

A refreshed programme of annual and lifetime giving circles, recognising your generosity, will be launched in August 2024.

NAME	LEVEL OF GIVING*	INFORMATION
Woodlands	£1 million+	Donors of one-off or cumulative gifts
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1966 Society	Any level	This giving circle honours those who are leaving a bequest to the University in their Will

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# NOW. THEN. ALWAYS BATH

## How would you like to honour your time at Bath?

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**Sherifat, Gold Scholar**  
(BSc Economics 2021, MSc International Development with Economics 2022)

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(PhD Electrical & Electronic Engineering 2023)



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