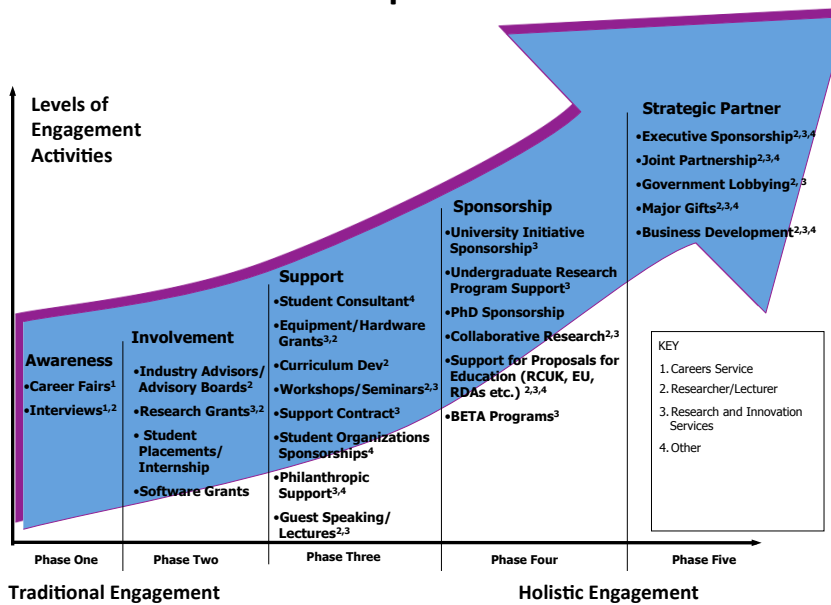


Industry Collaboration Opportunities

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EPSRC Knowledge Transfer Account

Partnership Model



Our EPSRC Knowledge Transfer Account

- The University of Sheffield secured a £5.7 million KTA
- Designed to ensure that the outputs of our EPSRC funded research deliver economic & societal benefit to the UK
- Flexible support for collaborative R&D projects and researchers
 - Ability to undertake short-term & stage gated projects - often difficult for universities
 - Transfer of staff between academia and industry to develop partnerships
- Practical help formulating projects and linking academic expertise with industrial needs
 - Business development support to match industry need with academic expertise

Development Hot House

- Many industry projects short-term/stage gated = resource issues
- Prove the value / utility of our research = longer term collaborative R&D and partnerships
- A dedicated team of three scientists / engineers for delivery of short term commercially focused research projects
- Over 30 years industrial R&D experience



Collaborative R&D scheme

- Where skill-set too specialist for Hot House
- Support for early stage projects up to 6 months
- Matched cash funding, KTA provides -
 - 50% funding for large companies
 - 67% funding for SMEs

Industrial Research Sabbaticals

- Two-way flow of staff between the University and external partners
- Cement existing relationships, develop deeper mutual understanding
- Form of study leave – spend time on the application of your research
- KTA provides support for cover arrangements for outgoing IRS

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