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## TOP STORIES



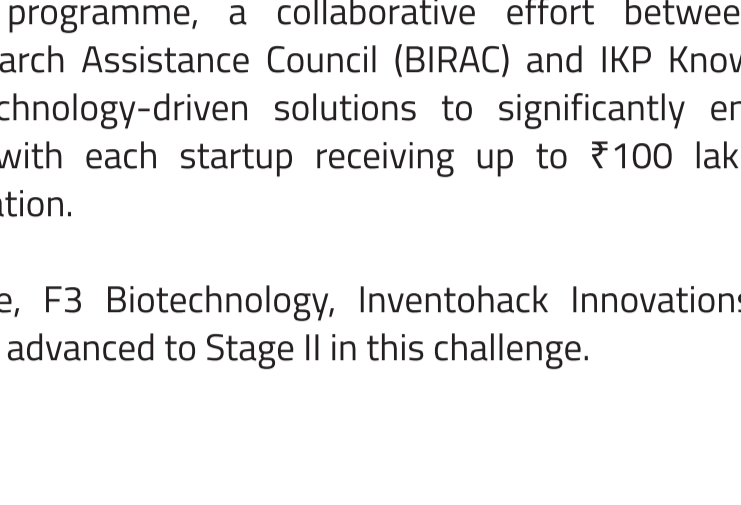
### 18<sup>th</sup> International Knowledge Millennium Conference: "IKP@25: An Epic Rhapsody & the Next Symphony"

The 18<sup>th</sup> edition of the International Knowledge Millennium Conference, celebrating the silver jubilee of IKP Knowledge Park, is set to be held between 26-28<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 in Hyderabad. This milestone conference will feature lectures, plenary panels, roundtables, workshops, investment pitches, a startup expo, awards, and The Genome Valley CEO Conclave. The 3-day conference will spotlight IKP's 25-year journey as a pioneer in fostering innovation and technological advancements, showcasing past achievements and future aspirations.

### IASP World Conference on Science Parks and Areas of Innovation

Deepanwita Chattopadhyay, Chairman & CEO of IKP, will present "Nurturing Youth Entrepreneurship in Deeptech: A Case Study from IKP Knowledge Park" at the 41<sup>st</sup> IASP World Conference on Science Parks and Areas of Innovation hosted by Konza Technopolis in Nairobi, Kenya in September.

I'm speaking at #IASPnairobi!



## FUNDING YOUR VISION



The Agri-Grand Challenge programme, a collaborative effort between the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) and IKP Knowledge Park, seeks to advance technology-driven solutions to significantly enhance farmers' incomes in India, with each startup receiving up to ₹100 lakhs for development and implementation.

Bomlife, Capsber Agriscience, F3 Biotechnology, Inventhock Innovations, and Temperate Technologies have advanced to Stage II in this challenge.

## STARTUP HIGHLIGHTS



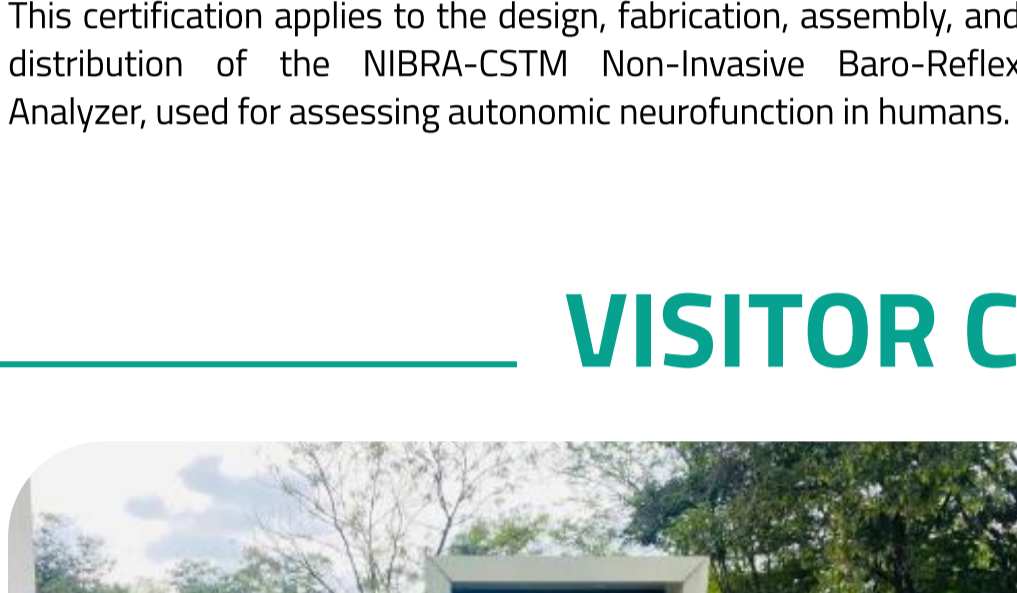
Photo credits: Plotnew Bio Innovations

IKP-supported startup **Plotnew Bio Innovations Pvt Ltd** has won the Amrit Startups 2022 award, presented by Karnataka IT Minister Priyank M Kharge. This accolade celebrates Plotnew's advancements in the Birthfixia Project, developed with support from IKP Knowledge Park, IKP EDEN, and Chitkara Innovation Incubator Foundation.



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**Dozee**, a leading healthcare tech company, was honored at the 2024 Times Network India Health Awards for its innovative use of AI in Bharat Healthcare technology. The award highlights Dozee's significant impact on the Indian healthcare sector through advanced tech solutions.

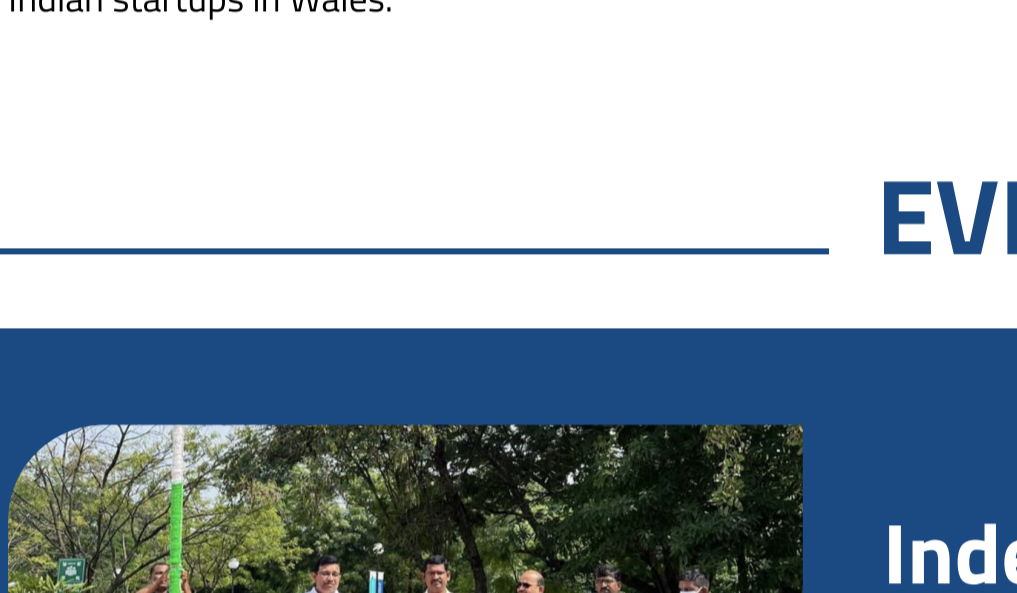


**Invocare Healthsoft Solutions Pvt Ltd** has achieved certification for its Quality Management System for Medical Devices. Located in West Bengal, the company's system has been independently assessed by DBS and complies with ISO 13485:2016 standards. This certification applies to the design, fabrication, assembly, and distribution of the NIBRA-CSTM Non-Invasive Baro-Reflex Analyzer, used for assessing autonomic neurofunction in humans.



MedTech Innovator, the world's largest accelerator for medical technology companies, has announced the selection of **Alfaleus Technology** as one of the 20 companies chosen for its fifth annual Asia Pacific Accelerator programme. This prestigious programme highlights innovative medtech solutions from ten countries.

## VISITOR CHRONICLES



On August 13, 2024, IKP Knowledge Park was honored to welcome two esteemed representatives from the Welsh Government: Mitchell Theaker, Head of India, and Bincy Easow, Country Manager for South India, visited the Park to discuss potential collaborations and explore market opportunities for Indian startups in Wales.



IKP Knowledge Park recently hosted faculty and students from JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru. We were excited to showcase our advanced laboratories and R&D facilities, demonstrating our dedication to innovation. This visit was a valuable opportunity to further the progress of pharmacy and research.

## EVENTS



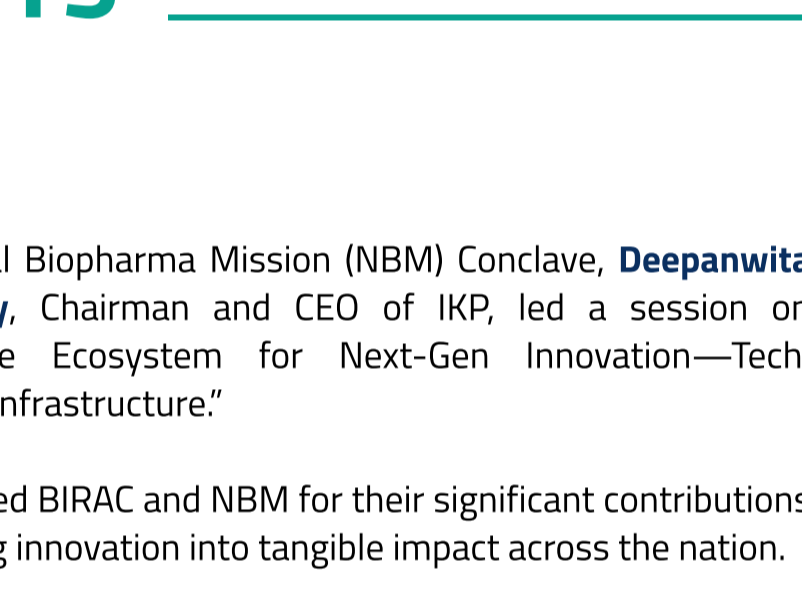
### Independence Day

IKP celebrated India's 78<sup>th</sup> Independence Day by hoisting the national flag at their Genome Valley campus in Hyderabad, followed by a scholarship distribution ceremony at Govt. ZPH School, Turkapally, where cash prizes were awarded to top rank holders.



### Global Bio-India Roadshow

Dr. Richa Vashishtha, Manager (Programmes), Grand Challenges India Team, (BIRAC); and Mathew Chacko, Founding Partner, Spice Route Legal presented illuminating talks at the Global Bio-India 2024 Roadshow. Dr. Richa shared how Global Bio-India will benefit the startup ecosystem, while Mr. Chacko shed light on the various legal aspects of the product development cycle.



### GBI Roadshow - Panel Discussion

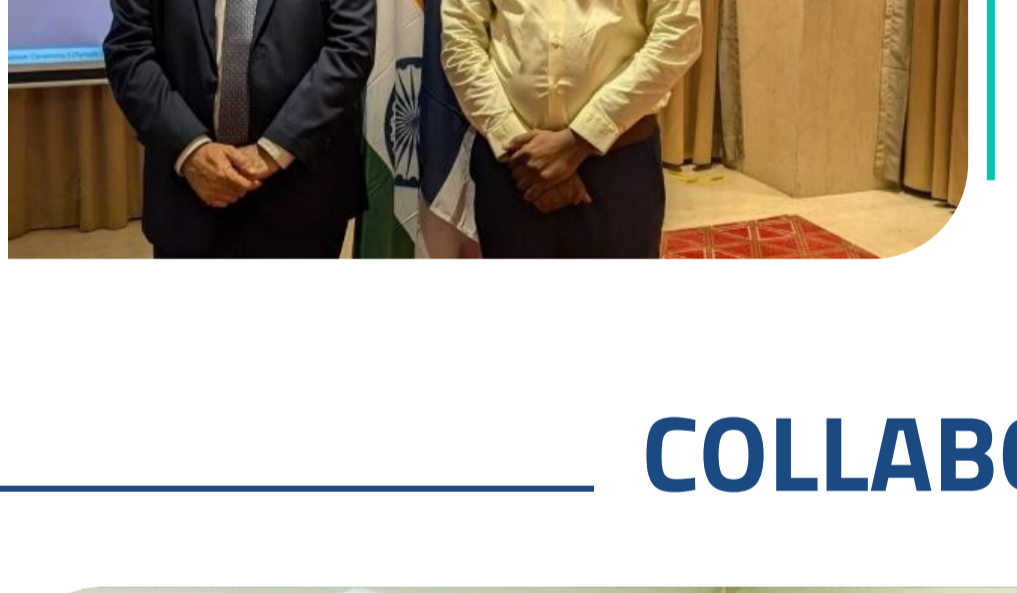
Hosted by ASPIRE BioNEST at the University of Hyderabad with MiracleMe, the GBI Roadshow Panel Discussion was a great success. IKP Knowledge Park was pleased to participate in the event, "My Plate for the Day," moderated by Maitreyye Murali Reddy. Panelists Dr. Nida Fatima Hazari, Dr. Sairam Reddy Palicherla, Dr. Ajay Tumanay, and Dr. Koteswara Prasad V shared their insights on maintaining disciplined eating habits, reading ingredient labels to avoid HFSS foods and also highlighted the benefits of traditional Indian food practices.

## ENGAGEMENTS



At the National Biopharma Mission (NBM) Conclave, **Deepanwita Chattopadhyay**, Chairman and CEO of IKP, led a session on "Powering the Ecosystem for Next-Gen Innovation—Tech, Transfer, Skill, Infrastructure."

She commended BIRAC and NBM for their significant contributions in transforming innovation into tangible impact across the nation.



**Dr. Bindu Nishal**, VP, Agri Innovations & One Health, IKP Knowledge Park, and **Dr. Viswanadham Duppatla**, Vice President, IKP, were invited to participate in the 1<sup>st</sup> Biotech Corridor Trade Delegation to India.

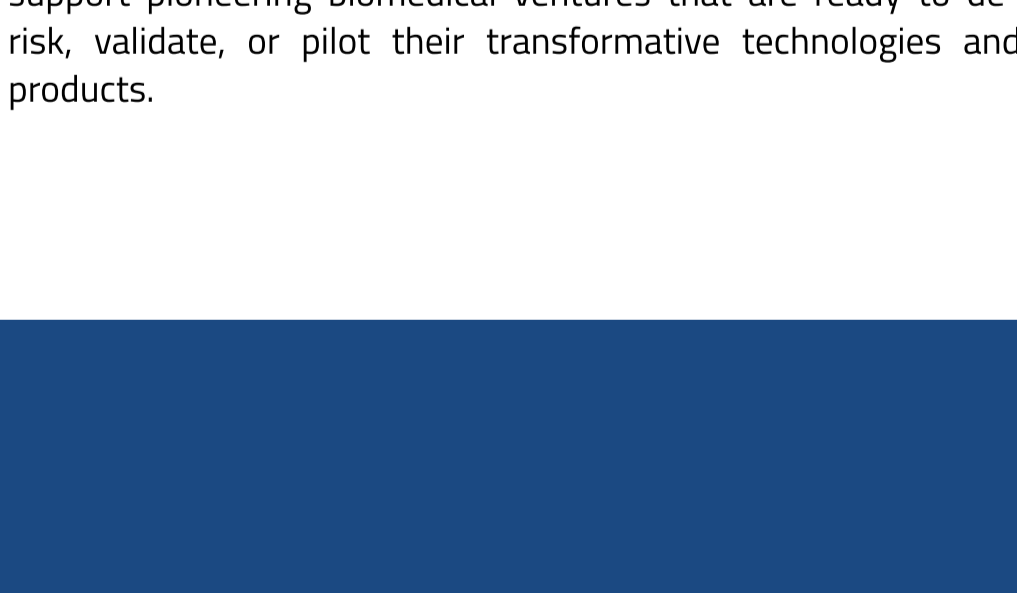
Indian stakeholders interacted with key biotech companies from Ventura County and beyond to foster partnerships for facilitating research, tech transfer, and innovation.



**Dr. Viswanadham Duppatla** participated in a panel discussion at the Life Sciences Innovation Cluster Meet, organised by the Federation of Asian Biotech Associations (FABA) and the University of Hyderabad as part of the FABA Innovation Summit.



During a roundtable on "Accelerating Drug Discovery & Development," organized by Cag Gemini in Hyderabad, the major challenges and opportunities in advancing sustainability within the pharmaceutical industry were addressed by **Dr. Bindu Nishal**.



On August 21, 2024, **Dr. Bindu Nishal** participated as a panelist in a session titled "Opportunities for Innovative Entrepreneurs in India—Perspective of Ecosystem Enablers," which was organized by the Institute Innovation Council (IIC) and the BITS Pilani Hyderabad Campus TBI Society (TBIS) in celebration of World Entrepreneur's Day.



IKP Knowledge Park attended the French National Day celebration hosted by the French Consulate, Bengaluru, in Hyderabad on July 13, 2024. **Dr. Viswanadham Duppatla**, VP at IKP, represented the organization. Consul General Thierry Berthelot highlighted the strong Indo-French collaboration in technology, science, and education, exemplified by our BIG Awardee, Lamark Biotech, partnering with Institut de la Vision, Paris, on a novel treatment for Diabetic Retinopathy and Macular Degeneration.

## COLLABORATIONS



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IKP announced a strategic partnership with **Umami Bioworks**, a pioneering biotech company from Singapore, in the cultivated seafood space. In this key partnership, IKP will support Umami Bioworks' efforts to develop sustainable and innovative seafood solutions for the global market.



IKP has joined forces with **Global Carbon Warriors** to facilitate innovation towards a carbon-neutral, net-zero world. The MoU enables IKP and Global Carbon Warriors to foster and support climate and cleantech innovators through grants, mentorship, and awareness initiatives.



IKP Knowledge Park, in partnership with Blockchain for Impact (BFI), announced the launch of the **BFI-BIOME Kickstarter Initiative**. This new programme is designed to accelerate and support pioneering biomedical ventures that are ready to de-risk, validate, or pilot their transformative technologies and products.



**BV Raju Institute of Technology (BVRIIT)** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with IKP Knowledge Park, initiating a promising partnership focused on advancing IKP Prime Services and entrepreneurship. This collaboration will provide BVRIIT students and faculty with incubation facilities, and work closely with industry leaders to drive innovation.

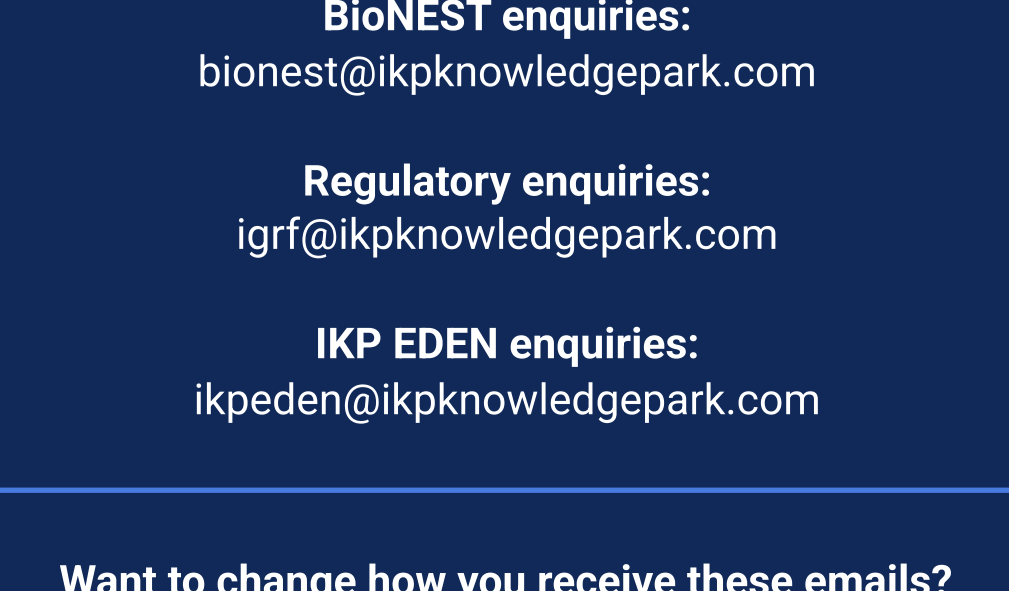
## OPPORTUNITIES

**WE ARE HIRING!**  
Business Development Manager

**Qualifications:**

- MBA with B.Tech/M.Sc./B.Pharma/M.Pharma
- 2-3 years industry experience in innovation, tech management, licensing or strategic partnerships

**APPLY NOW** > [ikp@ikpknowledgepark.com](mailto:ikp@ikpknowledgepark.com)



## IKP WEBSITE LAUNCH

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The IKP website has undergone a complete makeover and will now serve as the gateway to excellence in biotech and life sciences at IKP Knowledge Park. The newly updated website provides information on cutting-edge infrastructure and innovation services including grant support, IP, and much more. Our website is your ultimate resource to discover our Science Park campus at Genome Valley Hyderabad and IKP-EDEN at Bengaluru.

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