

## **Life Science business uses Nottingham City Council N'Tech grant to develop new product line**

N'Tech grant funding from Nottingham City Council has helped Co-Formulate, a contract development organisation, develop a new product offering for the geriatric market.

Co-Formulate, based in MediCity on the Boots Enterprise Zone, began life as a consultancy in 2007 and now employs 9 staff. The company offers contract development and analytical services together with stability testing and regulatory support to the Pharmaceuticals industry. Their business success was endorsed when they won a Start-up award in 2010 from Medilink East Midlands' Healthcare and Bioscience i-Net.

Company director, Huw Jones, said: "The N'Tech grant has really helped us with the development of 2 innovative products for the paediatric and geriatric populations. These product lines will add real value to our business, and have already enabled us to employ an extra member of staff as well as providing increased job security for our existing employees."

Co-Formulate is passionate about training and the company regularly takes on student interns via the Santander programme at Nottingham Trent University.

Co-Formulate continues to research new product and service offerings to grow their business both in the UK and overseas and is now working with UK Trade and Investment to open up new markets including India and China.

When asked about his experience of the business support his company has received, Huw said: "I have nothing but praise for Nottingham City Council - the support we have received has been exceptional. They always keep us abreast of the latest events and support schemes - in a nut shell - First-class support!"