

## Ageing - The Industrial Base

Today, 16% of the North East's total employees work in healthcare and life sciences, the sector has a turnover of £8bn a year and the region generates 30% of the UK's economic output of pharmaceuticals. Every kind of business, from multinationals to innovative spin outs and start ups is to be found here, including over 20 assistive technology companies. They include companies involved in the design, manufacture and supply of equipment and medical devices as well as the design and manufacture of telehealth, care and security systems.

For a full picture of the organisations now operating in North East England, please consult our Directory.

### Newcastle Science City

Capitalising on the world-class scientific research being conducted in Newcastle for the economic and social benefit of the City and the region, Newcastle Science City aims to create an environment that enables science and business to work together effectively by developing Newcastle's scientific research base, developing research sites, promoting science related subjects in schools and encouraging the commercial exploitation of scientific research within the Region.