

Cels Board

Our board

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Mike Nicholds

Managing Director

Mike is the Managing Director of Cels Business Services Ltd the wholly owned for-profit subsidiary of Cels which provides incubation, technology and market analysis, and technical services to clients in the healthcare sector across the UK and Europe.

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Ian Shott

Chairman

Ian Shott has recently set up a consulting company following the sale of Excelsyn to AMRI. Ian was the founder and CEO of Excelsyn, a fast growing Contract Development and Manufacturing business which focused on the global Pharmaceutical Industry. He has held senior executive positions in the International Pharmaceutical and Fine Chemical Industries for over twenty years.

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Alastair Balls

Non-Executive Director

Alastair Balls is Chairman of the International Centre for Life. He is also the Chairman of the Northern Rock Foundation, the charitable arm of Northern Rock plc. In addition to being a Non-Executive Director of Cels Ltd, he is a Non-Executive Director of Northumbrian Water Limited and NSTAR, a venture capital company in the north east.

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Prof Christopher Higgins

Non-Executive Director

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Professor Chris Higgins is Vice-Chancellor and Warden of Durham University. As a world-renowned scientist with a top-quality research, management and policy making record, Chris has pioneered international research in the field of genetics and cell biology of micro-organisms, a key discovery of which enabled the first UK clinical trials for cystic fibrosis gene therapy.

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Prof Michael Whitaker

Non-Executive Director

Prof Michael Whitaker is Professor of Physiology and Dean of Development in the Faculty of Medical Sciences at Newcastle University. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Biology and of the Academy of Medical Sciences. He has published widely in the areas of reproductive biology and cell cycle control and has extensive international connections in these areas, particularly the US and Japan.