

EMBL-EBI Industry Programme

Disseminating cutting-edge technologies to
industry

Factsheet: EMBL-EBI Industry Programme

What?

Subscription-based membership since 1996

Who?

Run by EMBL-EBI's Industry Partnerships team

For whom?

Bioinformatics, data, computational, and other R&D scientists



When?

4 Strategy meetings & 10 Industry workshops per year

How?

Member-led: By members for members

Why?

Open, pre-competitive knowledge exchange

Regular touchpoints with EMBL-EBI and other members

EMBL-EBI Industry Programme: **Current members**

abbvie

 **astellas**

 **astex**
pharmaceuticals

AstraZeneca 



 **Biogen**

 **Boehringer
Ingelheim**

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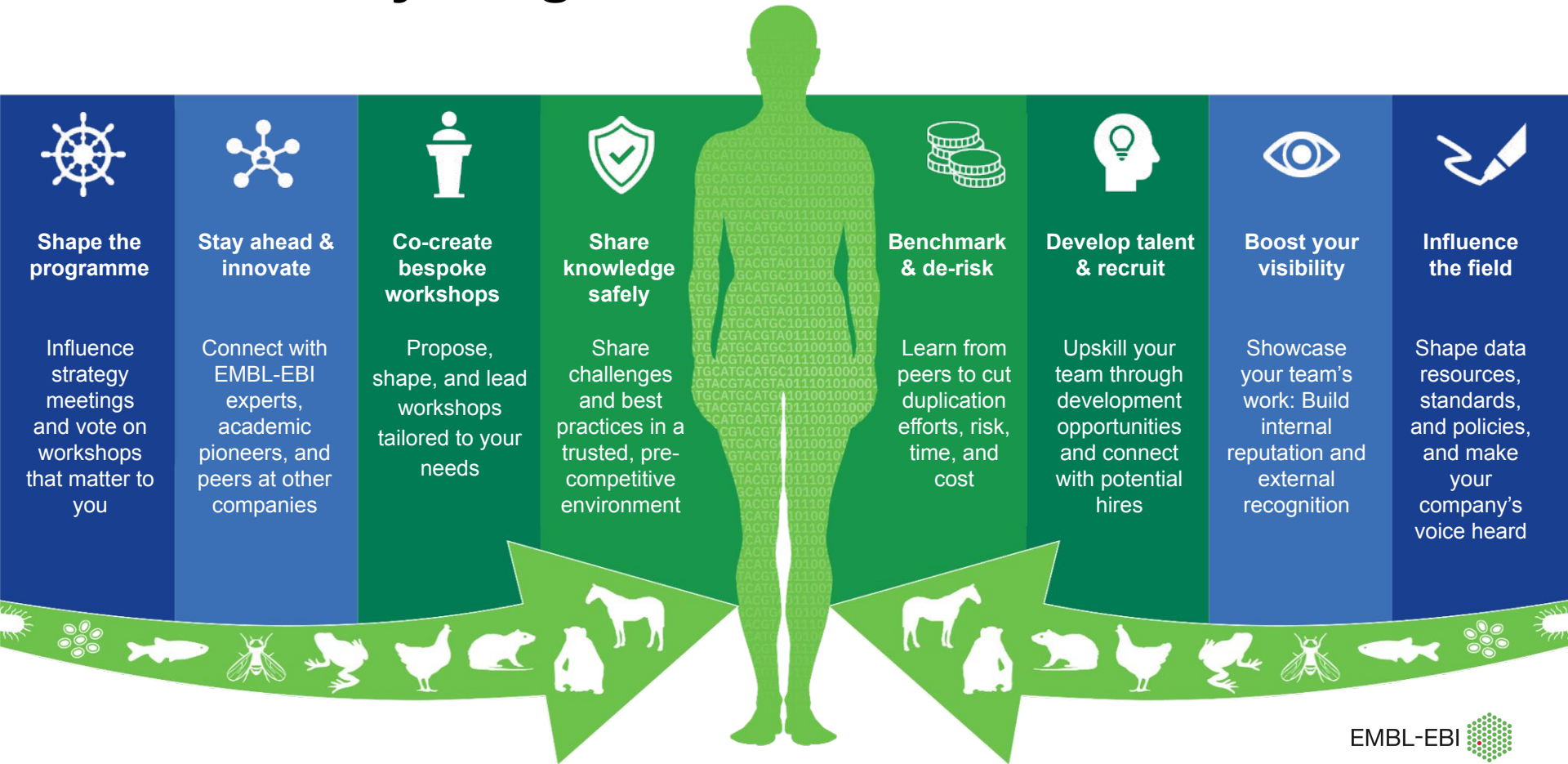
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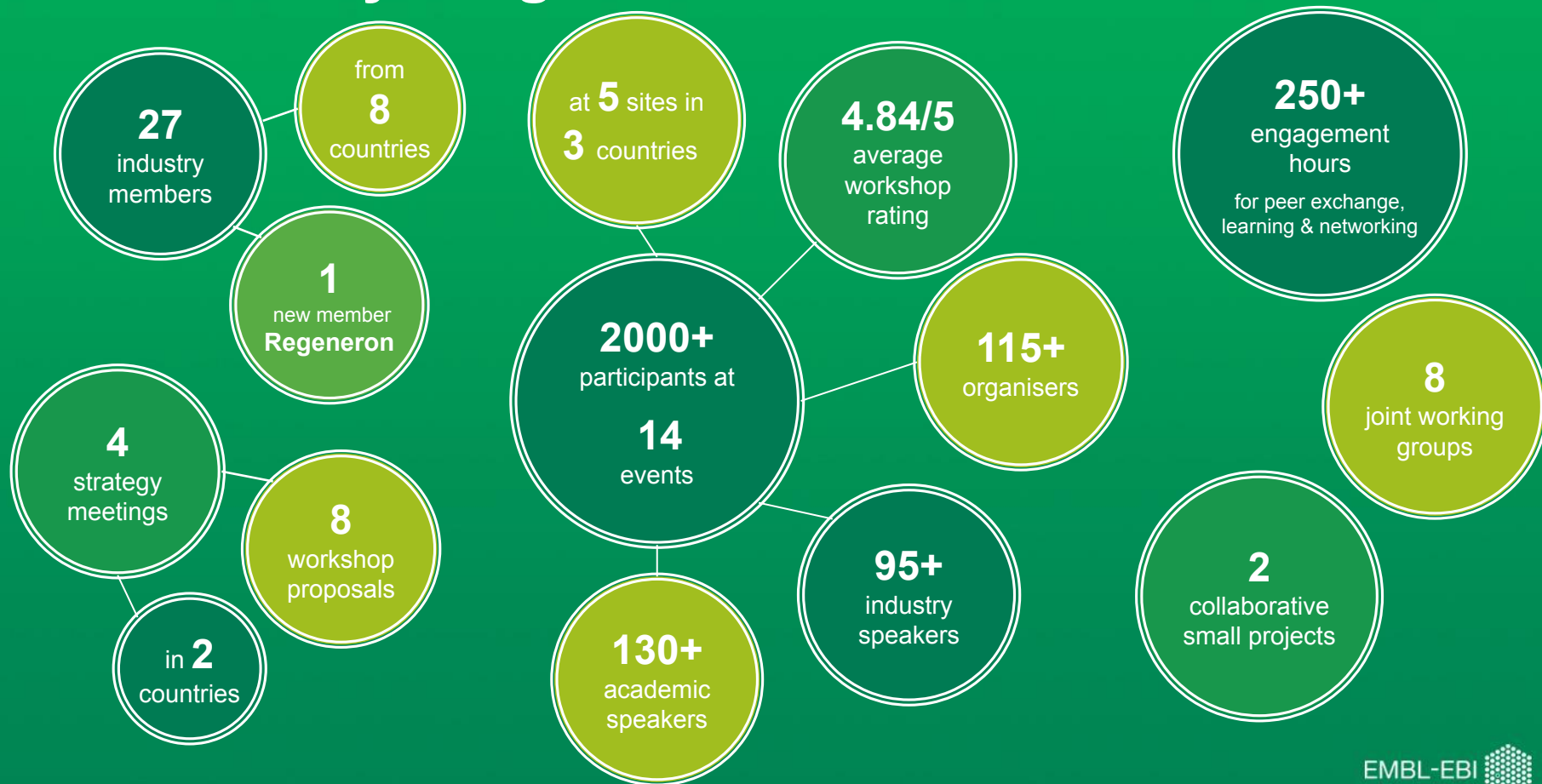
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The Industry Programme: Value for members



The Industry Programme in 2025



Resources for Members

Private website:

- Workshop & SEM materials
- Partner contacts

Mailing list:

- Newsletters (4x yr)
- Workshop news

LinkedIn page

The screenshot displays the EMBL-EBI Private Industry Programme portal. At the top, a banner features the text "Members area Private Industry Programme portal" and "INDUSTRY PROGRAMME NEWS July | 2026" with a large "30" indicating 30 years. Below the banner, navigation links include "Members home", "Workshops", "Partner meetings", and "Partner contacts". A "Welcome..." section follows. The main content area is divided into four columns: "Workshops" (with an image of a meeting and text about browsing and registering), "Strategy and engagement meetings" (with an image of a building and text about searching past meetings), "Value for members" (with an image of a person and text about downloading the menu), and "New member" (with an image of a "New Member" badge and text about Servier). To the right, a "Join the conversation" section promotes the LinkedIn page. Further right, a "Member events" section lists upcoming events: "9-10 July 2026 AI/ML for developability assessment of biotherapeutics" and "16-17 September 2026 AI reasoning with LLMs: Applications in drug discovery and precision medicine". At the bottom, a "Partner points of contact" section lists "Follow us on LinkedIn", "Contact us, find out more", and "EMBL discover".

Members area
Private Industry Programme portal

INDUSTRY PROGRAMME NEWS
July | 2026

Dear Matt,

Welcome to the summer edition of the EMBL-EBI Industry Programme newsletter. We are pleased to share your latest member highlights, news, and upcoming events along with key dates for your diary.

Join the conversation

With more than 1,800 followers and growing, our [LinkedIn page](#) has already become a central hub for our latest updates and conversations with our industry community. Follow us to hear news first.

Member events
Open for registration
Free to attend, registration required

9-10 July 2026
[AI/ML for developability assessment of biotherapeutics](#)
EMBL-EBI, Hinxton UK
Virtual registration open

16-17 September 2026
[AI reasoning with LLMs: Applications in drug discovery and precision medicine](#)
Pfizer, Cambridge MA, US
Registration open

7-8 October 2026
[Ontology-led curation with AI: Cross-mapping, annotation, and governance](#)

Workshops →
Browse and register for upcoming workshops. Search past events for presentation slides, reports and workshop recordings.

Strategy and engagement meetings →
Search past meetings to view agendas presentation slides, meeting minutes and reports.

Value for members
Download the menu explore the full range to you and your company programme.

New member
In April, we were delighted to announce [Servier](#) as the newest member of the EMBL-EBI Industry Programme, and new points of contact, Adriana Tron and Celine Lefebvre. Welcome to the Programme, Servier!

Partner points of contact →

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Hinxton, Cambridgeshire

2,119 followers

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Industry Programme: **Scientific benefits**

1 Preview EMBL-EBI roadmaps

Gain early insights into upcoming tools and help guide their development.

2 Benchmark and learn from peers

See how other companies address data challenges and where the field is heading.

3 Future-proof your pipeline

Discover emerging trends and infrastructures to strengthen internal R&D.

4 Connect with experts

Engage directly with EMBL-EBI experts, academic leaders, and industry peers.

5 Collaborate safely

Share challenges and best practices in a trusted, pre-competitive environment.

6 Co-create workshops and training

Shape, propose, and lead workshops that address your needs while upskilling staff.

Industry Programme: **Financial benefits**

1

Save costs

Access workshops and insights worth thousands in equivalent consultancy or vendor fees.

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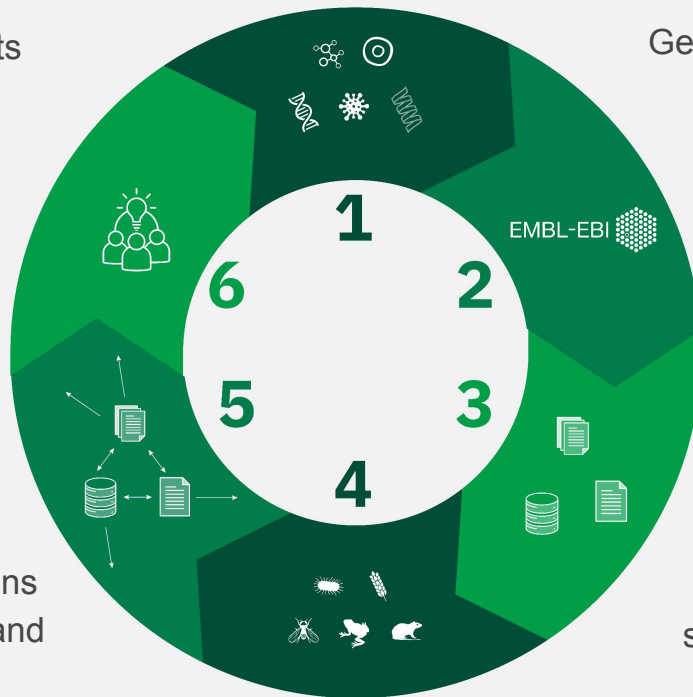
Cut time and risk

Learn from peers to avoid trial-and-error and accelerate decision-making.

3

Maximise RoI

Turn shared insights into actions that strengthen your pipeline and deliver business impact.



Avoid costly rework

Get early visibility on EMBL-EBI resource updates to prevent delays and wasted effort.

4

Develop and find talent

Upskill and retain staff, and find new talent outside your organisation.

5

Build long-term value

Stay aligned with the field, shape industry standards and form strong partnerships.

6

The Industry Programme: Savings (in £)



Bespoke
workshop
organisation

£49k
per UK
workshop*



Attendance,
training &
development

£1.3k
per attendee*



Peer insights,
benchmarking &
de-risking

£5–10k
per year*



Align your pipeline
with EMBL-EBI
roadmaps

£20k
per prevented
project overrun*



Opportunity to
address data
challenges

£5–10k
per year*

*typ. fee for organising 2-day workshop
(own estimates & imagovenues.co.uk)

*typ. Cambridge UK delegate rate for
2-day workshop (from onhelix.com)

*typ. fee for niche market research report
(from blog.marketresearch.com)

*estim. typ. costs of late-stage IT
project rework ([JMIS](#), [PMI](#), [arXiv](#))

*estim. consulting fee for 10-25 days
(day rates: [IT Jobs Watch](#))

What are **Strategy & engagement meetings (SEMs)**?

What?

Forum for pre-competitive
knowledge exchange

Who?

EMBL-EBI experts &
industry peers

When?

March, June,
September*, December

**in US*



How?

2 half days
agenda shaped by all members

Why?

Learn about latest
developments at EMBL-EBI

Added value?

Discuss data challenges
across companies



David Hulcoop
Head of Industry Relations
EMBL-EBI

“Strategy & engagement meetings
give members a unique window into
EMBL-EBI’s roadmap.

They walk away with early insights
that help them make informed plans,
avoid costly rework, and stay aligned
with where the field is heading.”

What are **Industry workshops**?

What?

Workshops proposed and shaped by members for members

When?

10 times per year

Where?

5 at EMBL-EBI, UK,
5 at member sites, worldwide



Who?

Free for all staff from member companies

How?

Proposed & shaped by members, organised by EMBL-EBI

Format?

2 days long,
academic & industry speakers

Workshops: 2026 schedule

1. Next-Generation ADMET modelling for drug discovery | UK : 11-12 February - [EMBL-EBI](#)
2. From smarter data to better decisions: Shaping the future of R&D in the era of AI | US: 11-12 March - [Sanofi, Boston](#)
3. From de novo designed mini-proteins and peptides to the clinic | UK : 29-30 April - [EMBL-EBI](#)
4. Judging intelligence: Towards Turing tests for drug discovery AI | US: 6-7 May - [Takeda, Boston](#)
5. Data Literacy in R&D III | B : 17-18 June - [UCB Pharma, Brussels](#)
6. AI/ML for developability assessment of biotherapeutics | UK : 8-9 July - [EMBL-EBI](#)
7. AI reasoning with LLMs: Applications in drug discovery and precision medicine | US: 16-17 September - [Pfizer, Boston](#)
8. Ontology Led Curation with AI | UK : 7-8 October - [EMBL-EBI](#)
9. Emerging technologies for clinical trials | US: 14-15 October - [AstraZeneca, Boston](#)
10. Call your agent(s)! Agentic AI in pharma R&D: 4-5 November - [EMBL-EBI](#)

Workshops: 2027 schedule (*more to come*)

1. Causal inference and validation in drug development | UK : 24-25 February - [EMBL-EBI](#)
2. Bioinformatics analysis of spatial data | US: 10-11 March - [BMS, Boston](#)
3. Enzymes as modalities | UK : 28-29 April - [EMBL-EBI](#)
4. Computational proteomics in drug discovery: From raw data to targets | US: mid May - [Pfizer, Boston](#)
5. Translating real-world data into actionable evidence: progress and gaps | CH : 9-10 June - [Roche, Basel](#)
6. Augmented Intelligence (*working title*) | US: 22-23 September - [AstraZeneca, Boston](#)



Reiko Nakashima
Director Computational Biology
Pfizer

“Attending and presenting at the workshops gives scientists opportunities to learn about **real-world challenges and use cases** in industry settings.”



Shameer Khader

Global Head, Computational Biology
Target, Disease and System Biology (TDSB)

Sanofi Research

“Love the **breadth and depth** of the workshops.
I encourage my team members to participate
in one every year.”

Case Study

Participating in and co-organising one of the neuroscience-focused workshops was **highly valuable** for our team as we were just entering this field. It allowed us to **benchmark** our thinking against peers across industry and academia and **validate** that we were moving in the right direction.

Seeing what other companies were working on, and **where the science was heading**, gave us **confidence in our internal strategy** and helped **accelerate** our learning curve.

Industry Programme Member
Survey, December 2025

Impact themes: • Entry into a new domain • Peer benchmarking • Strategic validation

Case Study

Neuroscience Workshop
Boston, US

It proved to be exceptionally valuable, offering **crucial insights** into the latest R&D advancements across both academia and industry. The sessions were particularly impactful in demonstrating how to integrate novel data modalities more effectively at single-cell resolution, **influencing** some of our **internal discussions** to generate more precise and biologically relevant hypotheses. The workshop featured thought leaders who, through their talks and Q&A sessions, provided a **nuanced vision for the true capabilities and inherent limitations** of technological improvements—including AI, spatial 'omics, and proteomics—which was incredibly useful for discerning their practical applications. This exposure has also **enabled us to introduce several of the latest technologies and data resources** to our internal teams, which are now being evaluated for their specific utility in our ongoing projects.

GSK, Industry Programme Member
Workshop Feedback 2025

Impact themes: • Strategic insights • Influence on internal direction • Technology adoption & translation

Case Study

The Foundation Models workshop created an unusually **open** and **honest** space to discuss **shared challenges**, particularly around hallucinations and reliability of AI models in biological research. Hearing that other companies were struggling with the same issues **directly shaped our internal AI strategy** and how we think about **risk and implementation**.

The level of **engagement was very high**, with strong demand for follow-up discussions and deeper technical exploration.

Industry Programme Member
Survey, December 2025

Impact themes: • Shared challenges • Strategic influence • High engagement & momentum

Case Study

Attending this workshop helped **establish common ground** among industry partners and academics on state of the art in modelling single cell data while **highlighting common gaps** (e.g. critical gaps in available experimental data or even replication, adoption of biological benchmarks) and **key learnings** (e.g. benchmarking perturbation effect diversity, account for mean effect in models). This served as a **relevant sense check** against our assumptions, as well as highlighting opportunities to leverage FM and ISP models.

GSK, Industry Programme Member
Workshop Feedback 2025

Impact themes: • Community alignment • Identification of gaps • Opportunity mapping

Case Study

The data literacy workshops **directly influenced** how we designed our internal data literacy programme. The discussions **clarified** which topics actually matter in practice, **saving us from** having to do **extensive background research** ourselves. We were able to **reuse** the structure, priorities, and **lessons learned** almost immediately, turning the workshop output into a **concrete internal strategy**.

Industry Programme Member
Survey, December 2025

Impact themes: • Direct reuse • Time saved • Strategy translation

Case Study

The workshop offered a great opportunity to **discuss the current state** of the spatial omics field across the industry and **establish lasting connections** with leading academic researchers.

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Workshop Feedback 2025

Impact themes: • Cross-sector exchange • Field alignment & landscape awareness • Relationship building

**Questions?
Email us!**



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