

Cross-Party Group on Life Sciences

**Tuesday 25 February 2020, Committee Room 5
Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh
5.40pm – 7.00pm**

Biotechnology innovation and foods of the future

- 5.40pm** **Arrival of MSP's, participants and observers**
- 5.45pm** **Opening, Welcome and Introductions, Convener, Kenneth Gibson MSP**
- 5.50pm** **Minutes of the previous meeting** (*October 7th, 2019*)
- 5.55pm** **Ivan McKee MSP, Minister for Trade, Investment and Innovation**
Ministerial Update
- Q&A**
- 6.05pm** **Dr Mark Bustard, CEO, Industrial Biotechnology Innovation Centre (IBioIC)**
'Accelerating Scotland's Bioeconomy'
- IBioIC is one of Scotland's eight Innovation Centres, funded through Scottish Government to translate research from Scotland's universities into economic growth. IBioIC engages with its member companies to tackle issues relating to sustainability and climate change.
- Q & A**
- 6.25pm** **10 Minute Interval**
- 6.35pm** **Dr Paul Hudman, Technical Director, 3F BIO Ltd.**
'Abunda'
- Abunda™ is a high-quality protein and fibre food ingredient produced by 3F Bio using their patented process which integrates both food and biofuel production from grain. This zero-waste process is highly efficient and aims to deliver an environmentally sustainable and cost-effective solution to increasing global protein supply. 3F Bio is one of Scotland's flagship industrial biotechnology companies and has worked with IBioIC extensively to establish 'proof of concept' which facilitated a £6m private equity round of funding allowing the company to grow significantly during the last 18 months.
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- 7.00pm** **Close**