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Midlands-based BPR Medical recognised for NHS sustainability work

Mansfield-based BPR Medical has been shortlisted in the Medilink Midlands Business Awards for its climate change tackling innovation for the NHS. Its work at Newcastle University Hospitals - in partnership with Swedish company Medclair - which is aimed at tackling environmentally harmful nitrous oxide emissions, has been selected in both the Innovation and Outstanding Achievement categories.

It follows BPR's nomination for the prestigious HSJ Partnership Awards 2023 in the category of Sustainability Achievement, and comes at the start of a year in which BPR continues to scale out its sustainability innovation across the NHS.

The company's nitrous oxide conversion unit converts the pain relieving gas into harmless gases. It is one of the most popular methods of pain relief on the NHS, however nitrous oxide is 300 times more harmful than carbon dioxide in its global warming potential. Reducing emissions of the gas has been identified by the NHS as a key part of its plan to become net zero by 2040.

Commenting on the shortlisting, Head of Sales and Marketing at BPR Medical, Safoura Sardari, said:

"This is a great chance to celebrate the hard work done by the team at BPR to help the NHS achieve its net zero goals. Reducing hospital nitrous oxide emissions is a key part of tackling the climate crisis and we're proud to be an NHS supplier for this effort.

"This will give our team further confidence as we look to scale out our project across the NHS. Looking at the other nominees it's clear that the Midlands is a great place for innovative businesses and we're proud to be part of that dynamic environment."

Thirty-one of the best and brightest life sciences and medical technology companies and industry collaborations from across the Midlands are finalists in this year's Medilink Midlands Business Awards.

Sponsored by the University of Birmingham and the Precision Health Technologies Accelerator (PHTA), the annual awards event will celebrate the achievements, innovations, and breakthroughs of life sciences and medtech companies across the Midlands. Richard Fox, Strategic Business Engagement Partner for Life Sciences, University of Birmingham, said:

"The University of Birmingham and the Precision Health Technologies Accelerator are proud to be sponsoring the Medilink Midlands Business Awards 2023. These awards shine a light on the businesses at the forefront of healthcare innovation and the thriving life sciences community in the region."

Commenting on this year's entries, Medilink Midlands' Chief Operating Officer, Melanie Davidson, said: "Each of this year's submissions demonstrates the exceptional pedigree of the innovative life sciences and medtech businesses based across the Midlands region, and we are proud to be able to recognise and showcase the excellence these companies are achieving in our annual Business Awards.

"The event will be a brilliant opportunity for the Midlands life science community to come together, and we look forward to celebrating the success and continued growth being enjoyed across the region."

More information with the full list of nominees for the 2023 Medilink Business Awards can be found here: www.medilinkmidlands.com

The selected winners will be announced during the awards ceremony and black-tie dinner to be held at the Great Hall, University of Birmingham, on 16 March 2023.

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About BPR Medical

Since 1990, BPR Medical has been an international leader and innovator in the design and manufacture of solutions for safer medical gas therapy. The company has a reputation for innovation, quality, integrity and value, built on successfully providing market-leading products to the NHS and other healthcare providers in the UK and abroad.

In 2012, BPR Medical was honoured with the Queen's Award for Innovation for its Firesafe[™] product range.

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About Medclair

By developing climate-smart products and solutions, our vision is to provide environment-friendly, cost-effective and user-friendly solutions for pain relief with nitrous oxide, thereby facilitating increased usage of nitrous oxide in the healthcare sector in an environmentally sustainable manner.

Our state-of-the-art technology has resulted in destruction systems that can be centrally installed to facilitate many treatment rooms or installed on a mobile unit. Both the larger CDU (Central Destruction Unit), and the MDU (Mobile Destruction Unit) purifies above 99 per cent of the nitrous oxide entering the unit. This facilitates a healthy work environment for healthcare professionals and a minimal impact on the external environment.

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About Medilink Midlands

Medilink Midlands is the Midlands Life Sciences industry association with a vision to stimulate the growth of the Midlands life science sector by helping companies establish, develop and grow.

Its network of more than 8,000 contacts in over 1,700 organisations represents all aspects of the sector; from multi-nationals to high potential start-up companies, as well as the NHS and Universities.

Medilink Midlands helps stimulate additional and value-added growth of the Midlands as a prosperous community for Life Sciences with strategic alliances working in collaboration with the Midlands Engine, West Midlands Academic Health Science Network (WMAHSN), East Midlands Academic Health Science Network (EMAHSN), Midlands Innovation Health (MI Health), Midlands Health Alliance (MHA) and West Midlands Health Technologies Cluster (WMHTC).

With offices in Birmingham and Nottingham, Medilink Midlands has been providing specialist support to boost the region's economic output from the Life Sciences sector since 2004.

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