

HMRC offers tax relief to businesses for investing in research and development.

These tax reliefs can reduce your company tax liability as well as providing additional funds for the business.

Who can claim?

R&D is not just for the high tech or scientific sectors, it could apply to almost each and every type of business. A qualifying project needs to demonstrate “advances in existing science or technology”. This can be more straightforward than many business owners expect.

HW has helped companies in the following sectors:-

Automotive • Energy • Textiles • Farming & Agriculture • Manufacturing
Legal • Design & Printing • IT • Warehousing

Talk to our experienced team of R&D specialists to see if your project could qualify.



Furniture Retailer

Development of an integrated stock control system for various sales platforms.

The company retails high quality furniture direct to customers, mainly through their website, as well as some direct sales through their display showroom.

HW identified qualifying R&D activity including work to integrate their sales platforms to their stock control system, software development and integration by third party software engineers and programmers, development of new operating systems, resolution of issues within hardware or software and creation of new encryption techniques.

The R&D claim led to cash savings of over £41,000 over 2 years



Innovative Plant Grower

Development of a unique plant growing system.

The limited company specialised in developing innovative products for the global horticulture and agricultural markets. Including the provision of solutions to overcome water shortages and employing advances in technology to aid plant growing techniques.

HW identified R&D qualifying activity including – Development work on the companies' unique growing system.

The R&D claim led to cash savings of nearly £14,000.



Solicitors Practice

Development of new conveyancing software.

Acting as Solicitors for over 30 years having incorporated in April 2007. The companies' client base includes individuals, partnerships, companies, sole traders, landlords, LLP's and Trusts.

HW identified R&D qualifying activity including existing software transition in the new program, the writing and development of bespoke software, the creation of a cloud based portal system for two way communication as well as software testing, and the creation of new security techniques.

The R&D claim led to a cash savings of over £14,000.



Speciality Dairy Products Producer

Development of a dairy-free nut drink for consumers

The dairy business supplies a range of specialist goat and cows' milk based products to retail, wholesale and independent customers across the UK, Europe and beyond.

Through the development of a new Almond drink for a major supermarket, HW was able to identify the following activity as qualifying for R&D, Ingredients selection, development of a drink that allowed insoluble calcium to be in suspension for longer, removal of calcium sediment layer that can gather, and improvements in relation to the overall properties of the drink including taste, colour, and odour.

The R&D claim led to cash savings of more than £11,000.



If you think that your business could meet any of the criteria for qualifying Research and Development, please contact us. We aim to fully understand your business objectives to identify and support a claim for Research and Development tax relief. We will help you to capture all the costs of the research to maximise your claim now and in the future.

Start your claim and save tax now, call Tim Lwin

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