

**SUSTAINABILITY SERVICES  
FOR LABORATORIES**

**VWR OFFERS A RANGE  
OF SERVICES TO HELP  
OUR CUSTOMERS ADDRESS  
THEIR SUSTAINABILITY CONCERNS**



YOUR ORGANISATION		OUR SUSTAINABILITY SERVICES	YOUR BENEFITS
CORE ISSUES	STRATEGIES & REMEDIAL ACTIVITIES	OUR SOLUTIONS	OUTCOMES
<b>Prepare and respond to climate legislation</b>	Source relevant and up-to-date information via: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training</li> <li>• Expert advice</li> </ul>	Provision of onsite <b>training</b> and/or webinars bringing you up-to-date with relevant legislation and related concerns.	Understand your role and potential contribution to more sustainable laboratory practices.  Increase awareness of current and future pressures on our industry /scientific research.
<b>Reduce your electricity and water consumption</b>	Investigate where cost savings can be made: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify key areas to cut usage</li> <li>• Implement appropriate actions to reduce consumption, e.g. replace inefficient equipment, use water-saving devices</li> </ul>	Customised <b>sustainability assessments</b> and reports, thereby helping you to determine how best to cut costs.	Save on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carbon Tax Payments</li> <li>• Water costs (£/m<sup>3</sup>)</li> <li>• Consumables</li> <li>• Reagents</li> <li>• Electricity</li> <li>• Air conditioning</li> <li>• Servicing/repairs</li> <li>• Disposal costs</li> </ul>
<b>Reduce your running costs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unit replacement</li> <li>• Servicing</li> <li>• Consumables</li> <li>• Reagents</li> </ul>	Buy smarter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider long-term running costs alongside immediate purchase price</li> <li>• Identify the most sustainable products which meet your individual requirements</li> </ul>	<b>Equipment profiling</b> for total life costs for laboratory equipment.  Identify the most sustainable products to suit your application requirements.	
<b>Decrease usage of GHGs and non-recyclable products</b>	Informed purchasing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research alternative products</li> <li>• Investigate more sustainable working practices</li> </ul>	Advise on the most <b>sustainable practices</b> .  Help customers identify 'problem' units.  Highlight hidden costs, such as product, component and waste disposal costs.	Equip your laboratory, where possible, with future-proof equipment.  Reduce your environmental impact.

Sustainable solutions without compromising research efficiencies



For further information on these services, please contact us on: 01342 337447



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## Sustainability Concerns

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- **Preparing and responding to climate legislation**
- **Meeting CO<sub>2</sub> emissions targets**
- **Tackling rising energy and water costs**
- **Reducing running costs**

**By adopting more sustainable practices and products, laboratories can address these key issues.**

In response to the Climate Change Act and the equivalent legislation across Europe, institutions in all industry sectors have begun to investigate new strategies and procedures to enable them to work more sustainably. With rising energy and water costs, together with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions targets, laboratories are striving to become more sustainable.

There is no one simple solution to tackling these concerns, it is more often a case of identifying the key areas where your institution or laboratory could be doing better and developing appropriate ameliorative solutions, such as implementing more sustainable working practices and shifting purchasing decisions to encompass total life costs.

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## Sustainability Services

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VWR International is both committed and proud to specialise in offering our customers a unique range of laboratory sustainability services. Our dedicated Sustainability Team works closely with our customers to ensure we provide a service, that meets both their future and current requirements. Our services also aim to identify the most **sustainable solutions** based on individual requirements without having any negative impact upon customers' research / practices.

We offer a range of tailored services that meet the overall needs of our customers to **reduce their running costs, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and wastage**. One such service offered is a **sustainability assessment**. These assessments provide our clients with robust data, which highlights their current running costs, and helps to identify areas where savings could be made. Also, by providing **equipment profiling** services (for life-time costs), we allow our customers to make better informed purchasing decisions and assist them in their requirement to reduce running costs.

Our aim is to equip our customers with the necessary information to make the best decisions at all levels: application, laboratory, institution.

## VWR Collection Catalogue

..is full of products for your lab, whatever your application...and your budget!!



## Are you up to date with current UK legislation?

Learn more about Legislation, Regulation, Policy and Standards in sustainability.

Related to reducing carbon emissions, resource efficiency and sustainable procurement.

email: [sustainability.services.uk@vwr.com](mailto:sustainability.services.uk@vwr.com) for our latest brochure.

## Sustainability services for laboratories

- Training on relevant legislation/related sustainability concerns
- Sustainability assessment service
- Equipment profiling service

Whether you are a single laboratory needing to buy greener and smarter, or a larger organisation concerned with cutting overall running costs and meeting your CO<sub>2</sub> emissions targets, we can provide an appropriate package.

**Please contact our Sustainability Team to book your sustainability assessment or training session, or to discuss your requirements in further detail.**

**Contact our Sustainability team on: 07803 850 511 or our Technical Office on: 01342 337 447 or Email: [sustainability.services.uk@vwr.com](mailto:sustainability.services.uk@vwr.com)**



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