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David has been part of the management team at Oxford University Innovation (formerly Isis Innovation, technology transfer company of the University of Oxford) for the last 14 years. Initially as Head of the Physical Sciences Group David led a team involved in patenting, licensing and creating spinout companies based on science from the Oxford departments of chemistry, engineering, physics, materials and computing. This included the creation of several companies now listed on stock exchanges.

As Head of Isis Enterprise David grew OUI's technology transfer and innovation management consultancy business working for government, universities and companies all around the world. David is currently the Managing Director of the OUI subsidiary company in Hong Kong which coordinates the Asia focused activities of OUI. David's background includes periods as a university lecturer, industrial research manager and business incubator developer manager. In the context of spinout formation David has been involved in the creation of many new companies in Europe and Asia, has acted as the project manager on IP rights deals with investment companies and currently is engaged as a scout for investment opportunities by Chinese investment funds.