



Apian are an exciting company helping to bring important, lifesaving medicine to remote treatment centres via uncrewed drones, and their incredible journey with TheHill began at our 2021 NHS Market Access Accelerator (MAA).

Their amazing trial projects on the Isle of Wight and in Northumberland attracted considerable media attention from national broadcasters like the BBC and ITV, news media like The Economist and Independent, and in specialist press like UK Tech News. The project has such obvious benefits to both care providers and patients that positive coverage and the partnerships Apian have cultivated with the likes of Skyports, Boots and multiple NHS trusts were always likely.

It is clear then that Apian are only ascending further, and we look forward to seeing how high they'll fly with their drones delivering vital medication to more hospitals in future.

## The Apian Team



Their team has grown quite significantly since the 2021 MAA, with new staff appointed to posts including software engineer, head of aviation and drone operator among others. Their staff have also been able to show off their innovation at various events, from Rewired 2022 to Rethinking Remote the same year, as well as the Connected Skies Summit.

## Investment



Apian have secured a lot of investment since graduating the MAA, securing funding from KHP Ventures, Innovate UK and Creator Fund, alongside being awarded almost £100,000 from SBRI Healthcare for Project Angel, their project in collaboration with Northumbria Healthcare NHS FT.

## Successful trials



The trials of Apian's solution have been extremely successful, with over 200 flights completed by May 2023, and more than 7600km covered by their drones. They have garnered exceptional feedback from healthcare workers on the ground in the trusts they have been trialed at, with Catherine Johnstone, Oncology Day Unit Manager at Northumbria NHS FT, stating in a video on the project, ***“You can only give chemotherapy if bloods reach a certain threshold. The biggest benefit for us is, if somebody's bloods are on the borderline, the Apian and Skyports drone project will allow us to get bloods down to the Wansbeck and be processed much quicker than is currently happening.”***

## TIMELINE TO TAKEOFF



**May 2021**

Apian join our NHS Market Access Accelerator Programme.



**May 2021**

Co-Founder Hammad wins the Creator Fund Challenge.



**September 2021**

First trials launched.



**July 2022**

Apian become the first in the world to deliver chemotherapy drugs by drone.



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