

Fruiting Bodies

Company Profile

Fruiting Bodies based in Bethlehem, Llandeilo is part of the Red Pig Farm group. Red Pig Farm have thirty hectares of land located on the western fringes of the Brecon Beacons National Park. Since 2004 the land has been developed to accommodate a unique cluster of rural businesses that would demonstrate the value of native broad leaved woodland in the UK.

“*BEACON have saved us time, costs, and added value to our business.*”

Richard Edwards

CEO at Fruiting Bodies

Fruiting Bodies has been developing simple mushroom extracts for over ten years. They grow a variety of mushrooms on hardwood logs and sawdust, which are then dried for harvest. The dried mushrooms are then slowly simmered in filtered water. The resulting broth is concentrated and added to organic grain alcohol. The final product is a tincture, which is used as a food supplement.

Collaborating with BEACON

Recent changes in regulations by the MHRA (Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency) caused difficulty for Fruiting Bodies and CEO Richard Edwards resulting in a negative impact on the business. Richard considered a variety of possible solutions but did not have the resources to implement them at the time.



A selection of mushrooms grown at Fruiting Bodies ©

Richard initially contacted BEACON having seen content on the professional social media platform, LinkedIn and soon after underwent meetings with Business Development Manager, Dr Mike Morris. Following numerous discussions over possible solutions, Fruiting Bodies began a collaboration with BEACON. Mushroom extracts and dried preparations were then brought back to the BEACON scale-up and laboratory facilities in Aberystwyth for unique profiling and activity assessment.

The results have shown some interesting findings. As a result, Fruiting Bodies is now in the process of proceeding into a new project collaboration with BEACON which will involve further analyses in the hope of discovering various new health benefits not previously discovered in mushrooms.



For more information on the Fruiting Bodies enterprise visit www.fruiting-bodies.co.uk