

# What makes the Hutton unique?

The ability to generate substantial economic value is the distinctive approach adopted by the Hutton which is built on four important pillars:



**Interdisciplinary** – the Hutton brings together experts from different disciplines to sustainably manage ecosystems, protect natural resources and enhance economic productivity and means the impact of the Hutton's research is more than the sum of its parts.



**Independence** – the Hutton is independent of industry and government enabling it to have academic freedom to conduct research without political or corporate influence and also nurture scientific integrity.



**Collaborative** – the Hutton is known for effective collaboration with industry and at the science-policy interface and is effective at sharing information.



**Quality** - By providing high-quality scientific evidence, it plays a critical role in shaping strategies that improve society, both in Scotland and via its international work.