

COOKIE POLICY

OBN's websites

OBN operates the following websites and this policy relates to all such sites:

<http://www.obn.org.uk>

<https://www.biotrinity.com>

<https://www.bioforward.co.uk>

<https://bioseed.co.uk>

<https://www-obn-awards.com>

Cookies used on OBN websites

Cookies are used to improve the experience for visitors. This document provides information about cookies, how we use them and what to do if you don't want to store them on your computer.

General information about cookies

Most websites use cookies to improve user experience and are used for many purposes, such as remembering your preferences and improving your interaction with the websites. One convenient feature that they provide is registering when you have logged-in and allowing you revisit the sites without having to log in again. Some websites will also use cookies for targeting advertising or marketing messages based on information such as your location or browsing habits.

What is a cookie?

A cookie is a simple text file sent from the website's server that your browser stores on your computer or mobile device. Only the original server can retrieve or read the contents of the cookie. Each cookie is unique to your web browser. It will contain some anonymous information such as a unique identifier and the website's name.

Types of Cookie

There are several different types of cookie:

- **Session cookies** - are stored only temporarily during a browsing session and are deleted from the user's device when the browser is closed.
- **Persistent cookies** - are saved on your computer for a longer, fixed period and are not deleted when the browser is closed. They are used to remember you when you visit the websites again.
- **Third-party cookies** - are set by a different organisation to the owner of the websites you are visiting. They might include cookies set for websites visitor analytics or embedded content, such as YouTube. Third-party cookies are also set by advertising networks to deliver targeted advertising on their website; these may also have the capability to track your browsing across different sites.

How our websites use cookies

Cookies enable us to identify you when you visit the website. We use cookies that are strictly necessary for using the sites or providing basic features. We use cookies to improve the functionality of the website, such as storing your preferences. We also use cookies to help us to improve the performance of our websites to provide you with a better user experience.

Please be assured that we do not store personally identifiable information in our cookies or sell the information collected by cookies, nor do we disclose the information to third parties, except where required by law (for example to government bodies and law enforcement agencies).

What to do if you don't want cookies

If you don't like the idea of websites storing information on your computer or mobile device it is possible to block cookies and delete cookies that have already been set, but you might lose some functionality of the website. If you don't want to receive cookies, you can modify your browser so that it notifies you when cookies are sent to it or you can refuse cookies altogether. You can do this through your browser settings or visit www.aboutcookies.org to find comprehensive information on how to do this on a wide variety of desktop browsers.

What happens if you refuse cookies?

The basic websites will still work, but you will not be able to use any functionality that requires logging in. From our perspective if you refuse cookies we won't be able to include your browsing in the statistics we collect about how visitors use our websites. From time to time we use analytics to make improvements to our websites and we want to understand how all our visitors are using the site.

Cookies used on OBN Websites: See table below.

Contact:

Questions, comments and requests regarding this Cookie Policy are welcomed and should be addressed to: info@obn.org.uk

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ExpoPlatform based sites , i.e. bioseed.co.uk; bioforward.co.uk; biotrinity.com; obn-awards.com and any site that includes the .obn.expoplatform.com domain	
Cookie	Description
PHPSESSID	This cookie is native to PHP applications. The cookie is used to store and identify a users' unique session ID for the purpose of managing user session on the website. The cookie is a session cookies and is deleted when all the browser windows are closed.
VISITOR_INFO1_LIVE	This cookie is set by YouTube. Used to track the information of the embedded YouTube videos on a website.
PREF	This cookie is set by YouTube. Used to store user preferences like language or any other customizations for YouTube Videos embedded in different sites.
YSC	This cookies is set by YouTube and is used to track the views of embedded videos.
GPS	This cookie is set by YouTube and registers a unique ID for tracking users based on their geographical location
_ga	This cookie is installed by Google Analytics. The cookie is used to calculate visitor, session, camapign data and keep track of site usage for the site's analytics report. The cookies store information anonymously and assigns a randomly generated number to identify unique visitors.
_gid	This cookie is installed by Google Analytics. The cookie is used to store information of how visitors use a website and helps in creating an analytics report of how the website is doing. The data collected including the number visitors, the source where they have come from, and the pages visited in an anonymous form.
_gat	This cookies is installed by Google Universal Analytics to throttle the request rate to limit the collection of data on high traffic sites.
IDE	Used by Google DoubleClick and stores information about how the user uses the website and any other advertisement before visiting the website. This is used to present users with ads that are relevant to them according to the user profile.
__stripe_mid	This cookie is set by Stripe payment gateway. This cookie is used to enable payment on the website without storing any payment information on a server.
__stripe_sid	This cookie is set by Stripe payment gateway. This cookie is used to enable payment on the website without storing any payment information on a server.
m	Null
OBN website , i.e. www.obn.org.uk	

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Cookie	Description
dnn_IsMobile	Null
.ASPXANONYMOUS	This cookies is set by ASP.NET. The cookie is used to a unique ID for users to store tracking data within a session, anonymously.
language	This cookie is used to store the language preference of the user.
userBrowsingCookie	
__utma	This cookie is set by Google Analytics and is used to distinguish users and sessions. The cookie is created when the JavaScript library executes and there are no existing __utma cookies. The cookie is updated every time data is sent to Google Analytics.
__utmc	The cookie is set by Google Analytics and is deleted when the user closes the browser. The cookie is not used by ga.js. The cookie is used to enable interoperability with urchin.js which is an older version of Google analytics and used in conjunction with the __utmb cookie to determine new sessions/visits.
__utmz	This cookie is set by Google analytics and is used to store the traffic source or campaign through which the visitor reached your site.
__utmt	The cookie is set by Google Analytics and is used to throttle request rate.
__utmb	The cookie is set by Google Analytics. The cookie is used to determine new sessions/visits. The cookie is created when the JavaScript library executes and there are no existing __utma cookies. The cookie is updated every time data is sent to Google Analytics.
euCookieLaw	
lang	This cookie is used to store the language preferences of a user to serve up content in that stored language the next time user visit the website.