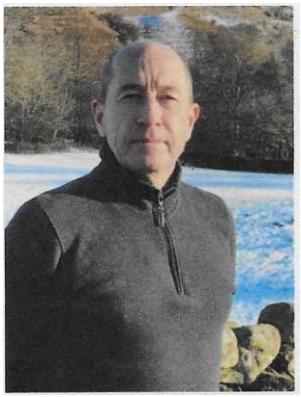

Ian McCubbin CBE - Independent Pharmaceutical Professional

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Member of the UK Government Vaccine Taskforce (Jan 2020-July 2021)

In addition, Ian is an Independent Pharmaceutical Professional working with interesting people on interesting topics that make a difference. His company is called Keirbridge Ltd.

He retired from his role as SVP North America, Japan & Global Pharma Supply within the Global Manufacturing & Supply (GMS) division of GlaxoSmithKline pie (GSK) in April 2017. Ian joined GSK in 2006, his second spell with the company. He was responsible for 17 factories and 7,000 employees globally whose role within GSK was to supply the New Product pipeline and the majority of GSK's pharmaceutical sales.

Ian chaired the Advanced Therapy Manufacturing Task Force originally co-chaired with George Freeman, Minister for Life Sciences and the group published its Action Plan to 'anchor' commercial scale manufacturing in the UK. The Action Plan has subsequently been adopted in full as part of the Life Sciences Industrial Strategy.

He is active in the industry particularly in the area of Advanced Therapies and currently chairs the Manufacturing Advisory Board for wave 1 of the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund in support of Innovate UK. He is also Chair of RoslinCT, an Edinburgh-based cell and gene therapy CDMO.

Ian is a pharmacist with 30 years' experience in the pharmaceutical industry working for GSK, Merck Generics and IVAX. His core capability is in the field of manufacturing and supply chain leadership in both the generic sector and the branded sector of the industry.