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Sandware Secures Innovate UK Funding to Validate Sustainable Recovery Footwear Platform

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Sandware Ltd, a London-based footwear innovation company, has secured grant funding from Innovate UK under the Resource Efficiency for Resilience and Sustainability Feasibility Study programme.

The two-month project (1 February – 31 March 2026) will validate Sandware’s patent-pending recovery footwear platform, inspired by the biomechanical characteristics of walking barefoot on sand. The platform is designed to support post-activity recovery, rehabilitation and injury prevention through controlled instability and material responsiveness.

The feasibility study includes:

- Independent laboratory testing in collaboration with Intertek Labtest UK Ltd
- Performance and durability validation
- Sustainable material benchmarking
- Commercial pathway and scalability assessment

Marisa Rojanasingsawad, Co-Founder of Sandware Ltd, said:

“This funding enables Sandware to take a disciplined, evidence-led approach to validating our recovery footwear platform. The study strengthens our technical foundations and informs the next stage of product development and commercial scale-up.”

The project aligns with UK priorities in resource-efficient manufacturing, sustainable materials innovation and advanced product design, supporting responsible consumer product development.

Notes to Editors

About Sandware Ltd

Sandware Ltd is a UK-based footwear innovation company developing a next-generation recovery footwear platform engineered to support injury prevention, rehabilitation and post-activity performance recovery. Inspired by the biomechanical benefits of walking barefoot on sand, the company integrates applied biomechanics, performance-driven design and sustainable material research to create responsive, resource-efficient footwear systems.

Sandware is an incubatee of InnovationRCA, the Royal College of Art's incubator for design-led and innovation-driven ventures, supporting the company's commercialisation and strategic growth.

About Innovate UK

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