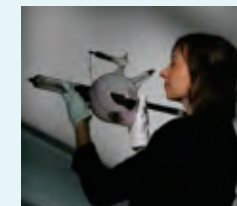


The science that shapes our lives



From the Industrial Revolution to the year 2000, **Making the Modern World** contains a peerless display of original iconic objects which have shaped our society. Stephenson's *Rocket*, Babbage's Difference Engine No. 1, Crick and Watson's DNA model and the Apollo 10 command module are just a few of them. As a counterpoint to these exceptional exhibits the gallery also shows a parallel timeline of everyday life showing technology in each period as encountered at home, at work and at play. This gallery, unmatched anywhere in the world, vividly shows the development of the modern industrial world.



Curators

The Science Museum employs a team of over 20 curators, each an expert historian specialising in a different field of science. They are regular contributors to print, broadcast and online media, giving unique perspectives on both science news and the history of science. Particular areas of expertise include: technology, engineering, medicine, physics, space, communications, gadgets, printing, transport, information technology and computing.



Rockets, satellites, space probes and landers are all to be found in **Exploring Space**. Learn about Sputnik, the world's first communications satellite, and how we have subsequently launched thousands of satellites around Earth, sent spacecraft to other planets, walked on our Moon and peered into the heart of our galaxy and beyond. Walk amongst objects that really have been into space and back, as well as actual-size replicas.

Gallery redevelopment supported by EADS, the British National Space Centre (BNSC) and the Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC)



Steam power has driven Britain's industry for 300 years, and still meets 75% of our energy needs today. The **Energy Hall** showcases an unparalleled collection of historic full-size engines and models, from beam engines built by James Watt, to high-pressure engines of the type pioneered by Richard Trevithick and a steam turbine designed and built by Charles Parsons.



Temporary exhibitions

The Science Museum has a dynamic temporary exhibitions programme complementing the permanent galleries. *Dan Dare and the Birth of Hi-Tech Britain* gives a glimpse of how science and society intertwine, while other temporary exhibitions bring to life a different side of science. Recent shows have included *Japan Car: Designs for the Crowded Globe*, *Fast Forward: 20 ways F1™ is changing our world* and *Wallace & Gromit present A World of Cracking Ideas*.