

University of Manchester

Palestine Solidarity Campaign¹

Complicit investments: £3,969,901

Based on FOI requests

Yes

This university has an ethical investment policy

Ethical investment policy link: [Read policy](#)

Investments

Company	Value of investment
BAE Systems	£11,239

BAE Systems is a large British arms producer. As reported by [Investigate](#), it manufacturer weapons and military technology used by Israel in its militarised attacks on Palestinians.

General Electric	£14,078
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As reported by research group [WhoProfits](#), General Electric engines are used in Israel's primary air and naval military platforms.

F-16 jets, Apache helicopters, Sa'ar ships, and other weapons systems with engines manufactured by General Electric have been used repeatedly in Israeli attacks on densely populated civilian areas, resulting in thousands of civilian casualties in Lebanon, the West Bank, and Gaza Strip.

HSBC	£1,060,000
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HSBC is a large British bank. Research by [War on Want](#) in 2017 found that HSBC invests over £830million in, and provides financial services worth up to £19billion for, companies supplying Israel with weapons and military technology used in its militarised attacks on Palestinians.

Mitsubishi	£731,539
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¹ [University Complicity Database - Palestine Solidarity Campaign \(palestinecampaign.org\)](#)

Company**Value of investment**

Mitsubishi is a Japanese automotive manufacturer. As [Investigate](#) reports, the Mitsubishi Pajero model serves dozens of senior officers in the Israeli Army since 2007, and has been used in the demolition of Palestinian homes in the occupied Palestinian territory.

Siemens

£1,173,000

According to research group Corporate Occupation “Traffic control systems of the company are installed by its Israeli representative, Orad Group, on apartheid roads (roads on which only Israelis are allowed to travel).”

In addition Siemens Israel is participating in the electrification of the [Tel-Aviv Jerusalem high-speed train \(A1\)](#), which is currently under construction. The A1 train route crosses the Green Line into the occupied Palestinian West Bank in two areas.

The BDS movement has [called for a boycott](#) of Siemens for its role constructing the EuroAsia Interconnector, a submarine electricity cable from Israel via Cyprus to Greece, that will connect apartheid Israel’s electricity grid with that of the EU and enable it to export electricity produced from fossil gas to Europe,

Sony

£44,045

Sony Corporation is a Japanese multinational conglomerate corporation. Its diversified business includes consumer and professional electronics, gaming, entertainment and financial services.

During a June 2018 field tour in the Old City of Jerusalem, [Who Profits](#) documented the use of Sony cameras as part of Israel’s surveillance system in the occupied area. At least six Sony cameras were installed at Jerusalem’s Damascus Gate. As part of its military occupation, Israel maintains a regime of intense surveillance against Palestinians in Jerusalem.

Volvo

£936,000

As reported by [research group WhoProfits](#), Volvo machines have been photographed and videotaped destroying Palestinian properties, including homes and schools, in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. They have also been used in the construction of Israeli illegal settlements and of the Apartheid Wall, built on stolen Palestinian land. Volvo machines have also been used in the attempted demolitions of Palestinian villages, including in Susiya and Khan Al-Ahmar.

Other links

Company

BAE Systems

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Nature of link/relationship

The University of Manchester Alliance Manchester Business School has close links with BAE Systems, including in 2019 winning a bid to design and deliver a programme, titled Propel Revolution 3: GROW, aimed at improving leadership capabilities in BAE Systems' engineering leaders. It is one of BAE Systems' six strategic university partners.

University of Manchester has signed a memoranda of understanding with Te

Technion

The Israeli Military rely on research and technological developments from Israel's universities. As the European Coordination of Committees and Associations for Palestine (ECCP) [note](#) "Technion University has become virtually the R&D wing of the Israeli military. In 2008 it opened a center for developing electro-optics in partnership with Elbit, one of the largest Israeli weapons companies. Technion has manufactured technologies specifically to torment recalcitrant populations. The 'Scream' is a 'non-lethal' acoustic system that 'creates sound levels that are unbearable to humans at distances up to 100 meters', according to Technion. This crowd-control weapon is mainly used to suppress peaceful demonstrations in the occupied Palestinian territories"

Demilitarise Education²

² <https://ded1.co/data/university/62>

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value of defence industry partnerships:
£22,523,667.00

0 direct links with arms companies

0 times asked to demilitarise

Top direct military partnerships

Airbus, Thales, Defence Science and Technology Laboratory, Lockheed Martin, EP...	£4,532,481.00
BAE Systems, Airbus, Rolls-Royce Plc, Defence Science and Technology Laborator...	£4,291,882.00
Rolls Royce -	£3,660,870.00
Rolls-Royce Plc, Defence Science and Technology Laboratory, EPSRC - Greener Av...	£1,750,240.00
Rolls Royce -	£1,282,232.00

Ask to demilitarise

Send an email to Nancy Rothwell asking them to demilitarise.

Latest actions

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UoM Students begin encampment in Solidarity with Palestine	2024-05-02
Manchester Leftist Action occupy Simon building in protest of UoM complicity in Genocide	2024-03-19
BAE Systems cancelled their recruiter stall on campus at University of Manchester due to student pressure!	2024-03-14

Societies

Latest FOIs

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Academic Partnership	2024-09-24
Freedom of Information Request reference [022-711]	2022-12-08
FOI Request - Research funding received	2022-10-16