

# LIFE SCIENCES



## BREATHING NEW LIFE INTO A VITAL INDUSTRY.

The Charlotte Region is an emerging life science market with unique research and development centers, venture capital investment, and more than 20 institutions in the region offering training programs to ensure a strong talent pipeline to fuel future growth.

**2 LOWEST CORPORATE TAX**  
burdens in the southeast (NC & SC)

**50+**  
innovation and research centers in the region

**175,000**  
people employed in the sector



“Big enough to do great things. Small enough to have a sense of community.”



EUGENE A WOODS  
President & CEO at Atrium Health

## REGIONAL BENEFITS

### STRONG TALENT PIPELINE

More than 175,000 individuals are employed in life sciences in the region, with biopharmaceuticals and biotech as the two fastest growing clusters. Meanwhile, 2- and 4-year degree granting institutions are collaborating to build a talent pipeline for biomedical careers. Combine this exceptional pipeline with a cost of living lower than the national average, and you have all the key elements for growth.

**20+**  
higher education institutions providing training programs specific to life sciences

**29%**  
lower average cost of living in the Charlotte Region than traditional life science hubs

**REGIONAL STRENGTH WITH BIOPHARMACEUTICALS AND BIOTECH**



### RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

With thriving centers throughout the region conducting trials that are gaining national recognition, the Charlotte Region has the resources to support the next generation solutions to our health and well-being.

**50+**  
innovation and research centers located in the region

**15+**  
innovation and testing laboratories located within the North Carolina Research Center (NCRC)

**15+**  
research and clinical trials focused on precision nutrition & genomics with national recognition

**19.2 MILLION**  
million grant from the NIH was received by NCRC to form the metabolomics and clinical assays center

### REGIONAL ASSETS

From established centers to new investments, the region is committed to researching and commercializing new innovations resulting from the collaborative ecosystem that makes the Charlotte Region successful.

#### NORTH CAROLINA RESEARCH CENTER (NCRC)

350-acre campus including research, economic development, training programs and initiatives in nutrition science, biotech and biopharmaceuticals. Seven North Carolina Universities have lab space on this campus.

#### NORTH CAROLINA BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER

offers research, economic development, and training programs

#### THE PEARL & INNOVATION DISTRICT:

Wake Forest School of Medicine – Charlotte will anchor the district that focuses on training, research, and development.



### RECENT EXPANSIONS & RELOCATIONS

Companies that have chosen to grow, locate or expand in the Charlotte Region do so fast. From start-ups to established tech giants, the area fosters reinvention and new approaches to delivering smart solutions for both consumers and companies.



\$1 BILLION investment



\$177 MILLION investment



\$30 MILLION expansion

