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Eli Lilly is a global pharmaceutical innovator known for advancing treatments in diabetes, oncology, immunology, and neuroscience. The company develops and manufactures therapies that improve and extend lives, with a strong focus on breakthrough biologics and next-generation medicines. Lilly's work supports critical global health needs, from chronic disease management to cuttingedge cancer research.



Groninger specializes in state-of-the-art aseptic filling and packaging solutions for the pharmaceutical and biotech industries. Its technologies ensure safe, sterile, and precise production of injectable drugs and vaccines. Serving leading pharmaceutical companies worldwide, Groninger is essential to maintaining the highest standards in drug manufacturing and patient safety.



Cosette Pharmaceuticals manufactures a broad portfolio of generic and specialty medicines that ensure affordable access to essential treatments. Its expertise spans dermatology, women's health, and critical care therapies. The company leverages over a century of expertise with robust U.S.-based manufacturing with over 80 generic brand medications available.



SCN BestcoSCN develops and manufactures innovative dosage forms for the OTC Drug, Vitamin and Supplement marketplace. The company is a leading supplier of innovative delivery formats, including gummies and chewable supplements for digestive health, cold & cough, allergy, immunity, bone & joint health, cognition, sleep support, stress management, and sports nutrition.



Nutramax Laboratories is a leader in sciencebased nutritional supplements for humans and animals. Its research-driven approach has produced a wide range of industry-leading joint health, wellness, and veterinary products.



Kewaunee Scientific designs and manufactures advanced laboratory furniture and equipment. Its products equip research facilities, hospitals, and universities worldwide with high-quality, durable lab infrastructure.

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Sterigenics is a global leader in comprehensive sterilization solutions meeting industrial sterilization needs in the medical device, pharmaceutical, advanced applications, commercial, and food industries. In the Charlotte region, they use gamma irradiation and radioisotopes that are commonly used in about 30% of single-use medical devices around the world.



Prinston Pharmaceutical develops, manufactures, and supplies high-quality generic drugs. Its portfolio spans cardiovascular, anti-infective, and central nervous system therapies.



DHL Supply Chain provides logistics solutions, cold storage, and the transportation of sensitive healthcare and pharmaceutical products at the Innovation Logisitics Center with over 713,000 square feet in Salisbury – a key supply chain link for the life sciences field in the region.



EMSL Analytical offers advanced laboratory testing and environmental analysis services that ensure product quality and regulatory compliance.



APTYX delivers advanced contract manufacturing and engineering solutions for the medical device industry. Its capabilities include precision molding, assembly, and packaging of life-saving technologies, specializing in the development and production of critical devices used in surgical, diagnostic, and therapeutic applications.



Microban is a global leader in antimicrobial and odor-control technologies. Its solutions are integrated into medical devices, textiles, and consumer products to enhance safety and performance.

RioTinto

Rio Tinto supplies critical minerals and materials used in pharmaceuticals, medical devices, and life science technologies. This includes lithium carbonate, butyllithium, and hexyllithium. These are essential inputs for mood-stabilizing drugs, complex drug synthesis, and advanced medical materials.



Pace Analytical Services delivers comprehensive testing, validation, and laboratory support for life science research and manufacturing.

REGIONAL ASSETS





As the 6th busiest international airport in the world, Charlotte Douglas International Airport offers 42 direct international destinations and 188 total nonstop flights, serving over 58 million passengers annually. Ongoing investments of \$3.1 billion further expands its global reach.

North Carolina Biotechnology Center_®

NCBiotech's Charlotte office is one of five regional offices transforming life sciences in North Carolina. NCBiotech offers a continuum of programs that translate ideas to create and support companies from inception to launch and beyond. Assets in the region span medtech/medical device development and manufacturing, bioinformatics, genomics, nutrition, human health, clinical research, and, increasingly, biopharma manufacturers.



The BioWork certificate program is offered in the region through NC Community Colleges, and gives the foundational skills needed to begin a career as a process technician for a biotechnology, pharmaceutical, or chemical manufacturing company. This includes education on aseptic processing, biomanufacturing, craft beverage services, natural products, and quality and control systems & services.



UNC Charlotte, an R1 university with "very high research activity," drives significant life sciences innovation. Researchers in the Klein College of Science, in collaboration with institutions like the National Cancer Institute, developed AI-Cell, a tool simulating immune responses to RNA- and DNA-based nanomedicines, advancing gene therapy safety and personalization. The R1 status provides access to top-tier funding, facilities, and faculty.



The North Carolina Research Campus (NCRC) in Kannapolis is a 350-acre public-private research hub dedicated to advancing human health through nutrition and clinical research. Research at NCRC focuses on areas such as plant phytochemicals, exercise physiology, and precision nutrition, aiming to prevent and treat chronic diseases like cancer and diabetes. The campus supports and fosters collaboration between academia, industry, and government agencies.

CHARLOTTE REGIONAL MAP





CHARLOTTE'S INNOVATION DISTRICT





Developed by Wexford Science & Technology, The Pearl –
Charlotte's innovation district – is a catalyst for the next
generation of medical professionals. It serves as the home
of Atrium Health and Wake Forest University School of
Medicine's cutting-edge medical education and research,
the exclusive North American headquarters of IRCAD, a
global avant-garde in surgical innovation and training, as
well as numerous elite industry leaders in life sciences.





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