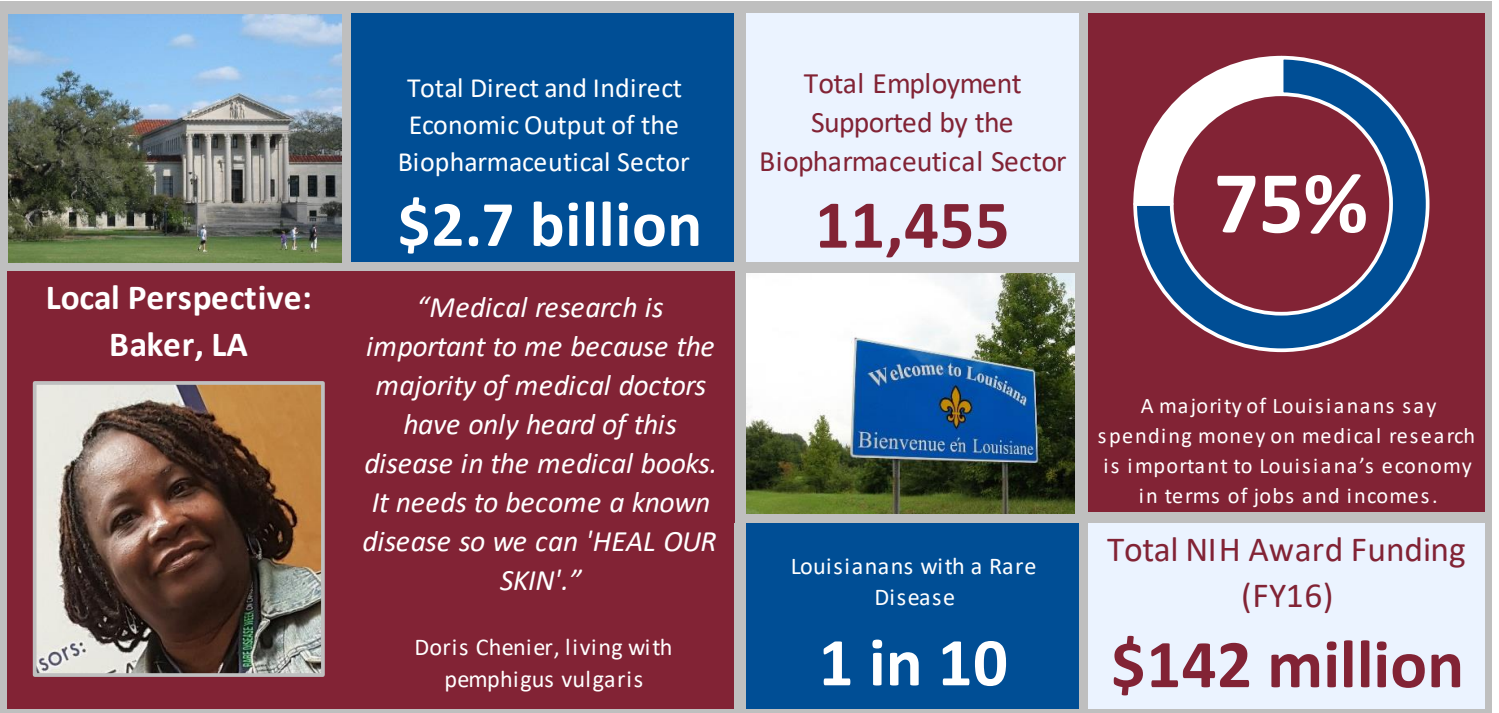


# Innovation at Work

## Louisiana



## Research in the Pelican State

*University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Texas Health Resources, University of Kansas Medical Center, Washington University School of Medicine, Michigan State University and Pennington Biomedical Research Center, Baton Rouge, LA*

Pennington, in collaboration with five other organizations across four different states, is collecting information about risk factors associated with Alzheimer's disease in older adults. Researchers are working to understand if reversing physical inactivity, high blood pressure, and high cholesterol will lead to improvements in the cognitive function of at-risk adults.

### *Tulane University, New Orleans, LA*

Researchers at Tulane, supported by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), are focused on developing multiple antimicrobial peptides (AMP). AMP, which contribute to the body's defenses against harmful bacteria, could prove beneficial in combating drug-resistant infections.

### *Louisiana State University (LSU), Baton Rouge, LA*

An increased understanding of the human immune system is crucial to the development of therapeutics that complement and support our body's ability to protect itself. The National Science Foundation (NSF) is funding researchers at LSU who are investigating the role of a specific protein in the development of T cells, a major component of our immune system.

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