Innovation at Work
Louisiana

Total Direct and Indirect Economic Output of the Biopharmaceutical Sector
$3.1 billion

Total Employment Supported by the Biopharmaceutical Sector
13,661

A majority of Louisianans say spending money on medical research is important to Louisiana’s economy in terms of jobs and incomes.

Local Perspective: Baker, LA
“Medical research is important to me because the majority of medical doctors have only heard of this disease in the medical books. It needs to become a known disease so we can 'HEAL OUR SKIN'.”

Doris Chenier, living with pemphigus vulgaris

Research in the Pelican State

Pennington Biomedical Research Center, Baton Rouge, LA
Pennington Biomedical Research Center is conducting a study to examine the effects of high blood pressure on brain health. The study will measure the ability of exercise, blood pressure medication, or a combination of both to reduce the risk of dementia.

Oschner Health System, Jefferson, LA
Researchers at Oschner Health System are studying whether a probiotic will improve treatments for women with multi-drug resistant urinary tract infections. The study seeks to examine both the effectiveness of the probiotic therapy and better understand the cause of recurrent multi-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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