The Aberdeen City Region has a well-established life sciences sector which has the potential to expand substantially. It supports more than 2,500 jobs in companies and academic research, and more than £160 million in GVA. GVA per head for life science industries employees in 2016 was £97,136 for Aberdeen City, almost 4% higher than Scottish average.

The region is home to a significant and world-class research base, incorporating the University of Aberdeen’s Institute of Medical Sciences and Rowett Institute of Nutrition and Health, The Robert Gordon University School of Pharmacy and Life Sciences and NHS Grampian.

There are also nationally recognised enterprises based in Aberdeen; Novabiotics Ltd, which was named Investment of the Year at the Scottish Enterprise Life Science Awards, whilst Ripptide Pharma Ltd was awarded Innovation of the Year at the Scottish Enterprise Life Science Awards in 2015.
Bio-Therapeutic Hub for Innovation is a £40million project to realise the potential of and accelerate growth in the Life Sciences industry in the North East of Scotland.

The Hub will create a vibrant Life Sciences cluster and a supportive ecosystem to accelerate the number of spin-outs, new starts and growth companies, capitalising on our regional assets and the strong collaborative links – the triple helix of clinical, commercial and academic researchers – on the Foresterhill Health campus, Europe’s largest integrated medical, research and teaching location.