WALLONIA, AT THE FOREFRONT OF INNOVATION

Wallonia is home to a high density of innovation players in the fields of health biotechnologies and medical **technologies**. Among those, you find **5** biopharmaceutical industry leaders (GSK Vaccines, UCB, Baxter, Zoetis and Eurogentec), **5 universities and** their affiliated hospitals (UCL, ULB, ULG, UMons and UNamur), prestigious research institutes and 170 highly specialized and innovative SMEs. BioWin, the health cluster of Wallonia, is gathering these players and fostering innovative collaborations at regional and international levels since 2006. The region also benefits from strategic assets to innovate in health including public/private funding opportunities, excellent scientific education programs in biomedical sciences (at universities and higher education schools), a leadership in clinical **trials**, support services to the industry and a favorable business development environment. Consequently Wallonia is a successful ecosystem to generate new products and to bring them to the global market.

On top of that, Wallonia is located South of Brussels, **less than 2 hours** from most **European destinations**, with high speed connections to the European market including 2 regional airports (Liège and Charleroi), **high speed train lines** and a high density network of **highways**. The region is also home to many **biologistic professionals** with a strong expertise in delivering biopharmaceutical and biotech products all over the world;

BioWin is the **regional reference** for all stakeholders (companies, research centers and universities) engaged in innovative R&D and/or skills development projects in the field of health biotechnology and medical technologies. The cluster implements many actions designed to promote Walloon scientific and industrial excellence at the

international level. More information is available on our website www.biowin.org and blog page www.win-health.org.



Find in Wallonia (Belgium), the solution providers to face your biomanufacturing challenges

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BIOMANUFACTURING IN WALLONIA

READY TO FACE THE CHALLENGES **OF TOMORROW ?**

The main trends in **biomanufacturing** are

- Continuous flow manufacturing
- **Disposable** and closed systems
- **Regional plant** units
- Manufacturing design

The paradigm is shifting from large scale central manufacturing plant towards smaller **regional** plants, with less complex and continuous flow manufacturing processes, **disposable** and closed systems in production halls – closed systems require lower room classification, wlike class D or even unclassified areas – based on a **specific** manufacturing design, increasing the productivity while decreasing the costs.

WALLONIA HAS PLENTY OF SOLUTION PROVIDERS TO HELP YOU MEET THESE CHALLENGES

1) Large companies manufacturing their own biopharmaceuticals in the region



- 2) Contract Manufacturing Organizations (CMOs) with large **product scope** (Vaccines, DNA, ATMPs, Antibodies, etc.)*
- products and services to optimize your biopharmaceutical manufacturing

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Xpress Biologics

Manufacturing innovative rat SľnAbs and guinea pig monoclonal antibodies

Biologics UNIVERCELLS available to all 4) Companies developing dedicated equipment for your plant

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5) Companies with

engineering capabilities

for your plant design

Safer and easier

Disposables for

the medical and

pharmaceutical

Bringing Viable

Cell Counting to a

New Dimension

Engineering -

Production &

Machines

Testing Systems -

Development and

Development and

production of your

equipment

production of tailored

TAI PROsensors and electronic

Mechatronics & Special

industry

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3) Companies offering

Transform your basic cell lines into super-producers

and flexibility in Bioproduction

WOW TECHNOLOGY biomanufacturing Proteins & DNA for preclinical applications

> 6) Companies with software expertise for monitoring your manufacturing process



KEY FIGURE ABOUT INDUSTRIAL BIOMANUFACTURING FACILITIES IN WALLONIA

Company name	Creation date	Jobs in Full time equivalents	Expression system	Products	M ² Clean rooms & fermentation scale
	29/11/2001	15	Bacteria: E. coli Mammalian cells: CHO, HEK,	Plasmid DNA Recombinant proteins Antibodies	35 Fermentation scale: 50L
Eurogentec Experience true partnership	1985	231	Bacteria (mainly E.coli) Yeast (mainly Pichia pastoris, saccha- romyces cerevisiae)	Plasmids (pDNA), Recombinant proteins, vaccine, conjugates, (protein–peptide, protein–PEG)	600 m2, 6 production units with fermenters size 80L, 150L and 500 L
MaSTherCell Merufaculing Synergies for Therspectre Calis	11/2011	75 (over 100 by he end of this year)	Cells & virus	Cell & gene therapy products	600m2 (+600,m2 by end 2016)
novasep	1995 (Henogen)	107	Mammalian cells, insect cells	Viral Vectors, vaccines, VLP, Recom- binant proteins,Mono- clonal antibodies	800 m2

A UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT TO DEVELOP AND MANUFACTURE YOUR PRODUCTS

- Strong **support** to innovation in health from the **Regional Government** of Wallonia
- Eavorable tax environment and **R&D** incentives
- Many **public** and **private investment** funds (university funds, regional and sub-regional funds, venture capital, international VC's....) to **support** innovation in health
- Excellence in **academic research** and clinical development
- Large capacities for manufacturing biopharma products. More than 2035² GMP facility (2635 by the end of 2016)
- **Complete ecosystem** with support expertise along the value chain **including** universities technology transfer offices, incubators, spin off/start up, support services, more than 10 actors with expertise in 3D printing, analytical services, biomaterials, bioreactors, clean rooms, immunomonitoring, logistics, quality control, etc.
- Highly qualified and multicultural professionals
- Relevant education and training programs to answer specific biomanufacturing sector needs