



# Clark County, WA **Economic Impact Snapshot**

From Oregon's 2025 Economic Impact Report: Measuring the Economic, Fiscal and Demographic Impacts of Oregon's Life and Bioscience Industry including Clark County, Washington.

## **BIOSCIENCE FIRMS IN CLARK COUNTY**



312 Firms



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### **Bioscience Total Impacts**

Every 10 jobs in the bioscience industry is linked to an additional 10 jobs Every \$1 million in income directly generated in the bioscience industry is linked to another \$1.4 million in income





WSU Vancouver received NIH and other grants.







**Total Jobs Supported** 



#### **COMPANY SPOTLIGHTS**



Absci uses generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) powered by its proprietary SynBio technologies to develop potential best-in-class and firstin-class biotherapeutic medicines. Started

as a spinout from the Oregon Bioscience Incubator by Founder & CEO Sean McClain in 2011, the company has grown from their first basement lab in Portland's South Waterfront to their current headquarters at a 77,000+ sq ft state-of-the-art facility in Vancouver WA, an Advanced Al Research Lab in NYC, and an Innovation Center in Zug, Switzerland. Driven by their mantra "believe in the impossible" the team has become a publicly traded company (Nasdaq: ABSI), grown to more than 160 employees, and pushed the envelope of generative AI applications in drug discovery through their work on de novo antibody design. With a focus on therapeutic areas with high unmet patient need, such as oncology, immunology, and dermatology Absci is developing a robust pipeline of potential new medicines and working with prominent pharmaceutical companies such as Merck and AstraZeneca as they pursue their mission to create better biologics for patients faster.



#### **Novel Bio**

Vancouver-based Novel Bio is revolutionizing plasmid DNA (pDNA) manufacturing with its proprietary NBx™ platform,

which delivers unprecedented efficiency and reliability. Essential for genetic medicines and vaccines, pDNA has historically faced bottlenecks due to outdated processes. Novel Bio's approach achieves 10x greater efficiency with zero failure rates, accelerating the development of life-saving therapies. The company recently expanded its lab space and is launching a competent cell cloning kit this spring. With strong ties to Oregon's bio-economy, Novel Bio collaborates with local talent and suppliers to advance DNA innovation, strengthening the Pacific Northwest as a biotechnology hub.



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Oregon Bio a member trade association, was formally established as a 501(c)(6) non-profit in 1989 by a consortium of universities, public officials, educators and bioscience executives to cultivate a regionally synergistic climate in which to build a bioscience community. Today, Oregon Bio supports the regional bioscience community through advocacy, workforce development, educational programs, enterprise support, networking and the promotion of research collaborations. As the collective voice for our bioscience community, Oregon Bio is responsible for communicating the industry's economic impact, issues and challenges to the public sector, educators and the general public. Oregon Bio continually seeks ways to promote and support sustainability and growth in the life science, biotechnology, digital health and device manufacturing sectors. Oregon Bio offers a host of member services to lower operational costs and promote partnering, so members can achieve their scientific, economic and social potential.

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