

Activity 1.1 Biotechnology Hubs

What is Biotechnology? – Go find several definitions of biotechnology anywhere on the WWW. Find one that you think is representative of most of the others and write it down below. Record the URL of the definition you used.

Where are most biotechnology companies in the United States located?

To Do: **Go to the Biotechnology Industry Organization’s webpage showing industry statistics at <http://www.bio.org/speeches/pubs/er/statistics.asp>. Find the graph that shows the number of biotechnology companies in several states and provinces.**

Is your state or province shown in the data? If so, how many companies are reported in your state or province? List the seven states with the largest number of biotechnology companies. Print a small version of the graph and glue it into your notebook. Include a reference citation.

Do a search for a biotechnology company that produces a pharmaceutical (medicine).

What is the name and location of the company? _____

What pharmaceutical does it make? _____

For what type of patient is the medication used? _____

What is the home page (www.) of the company? _____

Do a search for a biotechnology company that produces a biotech product that is NOT a pharmaceutical.

What is the name and location of the company? _____

What product does it make? _____

What is the use of the product? _____

What is the home page (www.) of the company? _____