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The BioRegion
of Catalonia

Why Catalonia?

More than 250 companies and 400 research groups in Life Sciences

innovation value companies research cluster business



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Biotechnology & Biomedicine in Catalonia

A strategic and attractive location...

Catalonia is strategically located in the Mediterranean area. Barcelona is the leading European city in terms of quality of life.

...bursting with knowledge

- Twelve science parks, nine of them specifically devoted to biomedical and agro-nutritional R&D activities.
- A network of 145 research centres of excellence, with 400 research groups in life sciences.
- R&D budget: 1.44 % GDP.
- Unique research support infrastructures: Synchrotron, Barcelona Supercomputing Center (*Mare Nostrum*)...

A hub for business...

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