



*North Carolina's*  
**WET LAB FACILITIES FOR BIOTECH COMPANIES**  
*Western North Carolina*

*Profiles of small and medium-sized wet lab and incubator facilities located in the Western region of North Carolina*

FACILITY	LOCATION	CONTACT	LABS	OFFICES	COST (est.)	COMMENTS
<b>AB Tech Enka</b>	Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, Asheville, NC	<b>Cheryl Shenaut</b> BioNetwork Manager 828-254-1921 x5842	1611 sf			Available in June, 2005

**AB TECH TECHNOLOGY INCUBATOR**

***Main Campus Dr., Raleigh***

- 1611 ft<sup>2</sup> wetlab

AdvantageWest, Buncombe County and AB Tech partnered to create wet lab on the campus of AB Tech Enka. The lab, which was retrofitted into an existing building that was once a part of BASF's Enka facility, is designed to attract high-growth businesses in the life sciences industries to western North Carolina. The lab will be occupied initially by Asheville-based Genesis Molecular Discovery, a startup focused on providing chemical and molecular information and services to the pharmaceutical industry.

The lab retrofit project is expected to cost \$110,000. AdvantageWest has committed \$55,000 in matching funds to cover costs of the renovations. The \$55,000 match will be provided by Buncombe County. The lab should be complete and leased to Genesis Molecular by AB Tech in June 2005, according to reports. The new wet lab infrastructure will remain in place for use by other life sciences clients after Genesis grows out of the incubator.