

The National Institute for Innovation in Manufacturing Biopharmaceuticals

AMERICAN INNOVATION AT WORK

Developing Next Generation Technologies in the Context of a Public-Private Partnership

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Our Mission

The NIIMBL mission is to accelerate biopharmaceutical manufacturing innovation, support the development of standards that enable more efficient and rapid manufacturing capabilities, and educate and train a world-leading biopharmaceutical manufacturing workforce, fundamentally advancing U.S. competitiveness in this industry.





A place where industry, academic, state, and U.S. federal resources synergize to

- meet industry's needs
- de-risk and streamline process development & manufacturing
- train a growing workforce

Enhanced process robustness is obtained

Major manufacturers work with suppliers to develop new technologies Standardization of interfaces, assays, parts, and certifications is achieved New methods, technologies, and best practices are demonstrated collaboratively with health authorities

Workforce creation matches industry needs



Funding







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Manufacturing USA network







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Manufacturing Readiness Levels (1-10)

Market Failure in Pre-Competitive Applied Manufacturing R&D





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Growth of globally-competitive domestic industry



Regional economic development

Secure, integrated supply chain

Access to new and improved medicines

INDUSTRY



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Flexible, adaptive manufacturing

De-risked manufacturing innovation



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Lower costs



Accelerated development and approval

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What we wrote

The industry saves, sustains, and improves lives.

It is one of the most valuable and important business sectors in the US and growing rapidly.

The success of US biomanufacturing over the last 30 years is, in part, the result of industry-academic partnerships that supported the early development of the industry.

Today, the industry finds itself at a crossroads.







What we wrote II

To enable industry to meet variable market needs for lot size and demand, as well as to address speed to market and improved flexibility, the industry requires further industrialization in manufacturing technology.

To enable patient access to emerging therapies, there is a need for new small-scale manufacturing platforms, integrated with robust product and process measurement capabilities, and automated for consistency.

There is a need to ensure standards and robust measurement technologies are available to support the consistent, high quality manufacture of all biotherapeutic product types and to enable advanced process control.





A Community-Wide Need for Manufacturing Innovation



For existing products, companies increasingly compete on the molecule, not the process.



For emerging products, there are no well-established commercial manufacturing methods and the challenges are numerous.



A science-based regulatory environment. Highly regulated nature of the industry compounds <u>perceived</u> challenges associated with rapid technology adoption.



A Role For Public-Private Partnerships











Stakeholders









We are mobilizing as a community !

NIIMBL Membership - 115 members

42 Companies

36 Universities

BILL& MELINDA GATES foundation

33 Community colleges / non-profits

4 States are engaged (DE, MA, NC, MD)

Federal engagement: NIST, FDA, NSF, NIH, BARDA

Graphic includes a sample of NIIMBL members. For a full list, visit NIIMBL.org









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Technology Roadmapping For Industry Growth



Lyophilization Roadmapping (Purdue led)



(UML led)



Cell Therapy Roadmapping (Georgia Tech led)





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NIIMBL Roadmapping is an Open Process and complementary to other roadmaps.



NIIMBL Roadmaps

- Published roadmaps for Gene Therapy, ADCs / Bispecifics, and Vaccines
- Contributions by more than 40 organizations
- Available to the biopharmaceutical community by visiting http://www.niimbl.org

















A typical Project Call commits ~\$7.5M NIIMBL funds (\$16M total) over 18 months for 12 projects.





NIIMBL Technology Project Landscape



Improved Lentiviral Vector Biomanufacturing for Cell & Gene Therapy Applications

Johns Hopkins, Repligen, RPI, Univ Massachusetts System, Unum Therapeutics, Artemis Biosystems

- **1. Scalable perfusion cell culture process** Efficient DNA production, Serum free suspension, HEK293T cell line, high cell density
- 2. Single-day, closed lentiviral vector purification 2 step purification Continuous from harvest to final UF – Digital PCR for vector copy number (VCN)
- 3. Optimized growth profiles in HEK293 Serum and nutrient formulations
- 4. Optimized transfection parameters Optimized cell density and media
- 5. Optimizing downstream processes Chromatographic approaches
- 6. Integration of upstream and downstream Productivity, yield, purity, potency

New Modality Relevant Projects

> Preparing for the future: a gene therapy vector production platform (AAV)

>A Lentiviral Vector Production Platform Process (LVV)

- >Use of Carbon Thin Films to Reduce Leachable Contamination
- >At-Bioreactor Trace Metal Quantification and Statistical Process Control in CHO Cell-Culture Production
- >A Novel Perfusion-based 3D Bioreactor for Effective Selection, Activation, and Transduction of T-cells for Immuno-Gene Therapy
- Quantitative Trilineage Differentiation Assays for cGMP Cell Manufacturing of Human Mesenchymal Stem Cells
- Label-free Critical Quality Attributes of CAR T-Cell Products
- Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) Internal Controls for Adventitious Agent Testing to Ensure Sensitivity for All Targets in Every Sample
- Rapid Adventitious Agent Testing for Fail-Fast Process Decision-Making
- At-line Detection of Viral and Bacterial Contaminants in Mammalian Cell Culture Using High Affinity Probes and Label-free Single-cell Analysis
- Cell Therapy Manufacturing Courses and Certifications (2)

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Some of NIIMBL's Proposed Goals for Cell & Gene Therapy Products

Manufacturing Platforms for Emerging Products



- Massively parallel, small-scale, automated closed manufacturing platforms
- Optimized unit operations
- Improved gene vector manufacturing (titer, filled capsids, harvest, purification)
- Cell therapy product formulation for improved maintenance of CQA during storage, transportation, thawing
- Gene therapy formulations for improved activity and reduced aggregation
 - Supply chain management



- Reference standards and tools for product comparability
- Real-time, in-line, analytics for process parameters and product quality attributes
- Closed loop control of manufacturing process

Rapid adventitious agent testing

Standardizing raw materials

Regulatory science, including standardized protocols



Education and Workforce Training Program



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NIIMBL Workforce Project Landscape



February 2019



New NIIMBL HQ Opening Q1 2020







Planned Next Steps (v 4.2019)



- >\$50M of activity launched through projects
- Project call 2.2 finishing
- NIIMBL-FDACDER active listening workshop
- Launch of Global Health Fund





Celebrate the network Expand the network Strengthen the network

We are mobilizing as a community.

We have a structure to work together and we have the engagement with relevant Federal agencies – to share the costs to lower the risks to leverage each other

We invite organizations to join with us and shape the future of the industry









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