

Prince William Science Accelerator

Prince William County, Virginia, USA



Prince William County prides itself on being home to the only public-private, commercially available Wet Lab Spaces in Northern Virginia. Situated in Innovation Park, the Prince William Science Accelerator was created to provide the catalyst for faster growth and commercialization of life sciences, delivering to start-ups an innovative, intellectual environment and speed to market through readily available space, equipment, industry networks, partnering and internships.

Ground-breaking research in proteomics, forensics and biodefense is part of Prince William County's DNA, having served as long-time home to the Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory, federal and state research institutions and a location of choice for the life sciences industry.

Life Science Start-Ups new to Prince William County benefit from an already well-established and growing Life Sciences ecosystem, where opportunity exists to work with some of the foremost leading scientists, laboratory talent and business resources. Close proximity to George Mason University's (Mason's) Life Sciences Campus, two world class, leading hospitals and medical centers provide opportunities for university research collaboration and access to medical resources, while the short distance from I-66 and I-95 provides quick access to key federal agencies.

Key Facts

- A brand new facility with 9,126 square feet of Class A/Wet Lab Space ready for immediate occupation
- Close proximity (45 mins.) to key drivers of biotechnology – National Institute of Health, Food & Drug Administration, National Science Foundation and Key Healthcare Policy Makers
- Located within a twenty minute drive from Dulles International Airport and less than 4 miles from Manassas Airport
- Robust fiber networks and capacity to support the needs of the growing Bioinformatics industry
- Some 1,400 professionals are employed in the Information Industry within the County
- Prince William County is Virginia's 2nd largest, 4th fastest growing County

Access to Top Talent

Prince William County represents a snapshot of America's future workforce by providing a robust talent pipeline of the next generation of laboratory technical, researchers and scientists. The wealth of quality education programs start at high school through to PhD programs offered at Mason. Prince William County Schools' Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) capabilities are further enhanced through special programs; such as Northern Virginia Community College's (NOVA's) STEM Initiative and SySTEMic Solutions; the Sparks Foundation; and the Micron Foundation. NOVA's SySTEMic Solutions is Northern Virginia Community College's STEM outreach program, which presently impacts 4,000 students in area K-12 schools. Meanwhile, NOVA's nearby Manassas Campus has graduated over 30 students per year from their Biotechnology program since 2010.

Pro-Business Climate

Emerging life sciences companies will receive business assistance services through the Prince William County Department of Economic Development. As one of the County's key target industries, these firms qualify for priority treatment, expedited permitting and high consideration for incentives. Further, by being established in the Greater Washington, DC Metropolitan Area it provides opportunities to tap into the growing and substantial venture capital investment activity, while operating in one of the lowest costs climates in the region, here in Prince William County.

Life Sciences community

Life sciences companies find remarkable access to talent and multiple opportunities for collaboration in Prince William, with resident companies that include: [American Type Culture Collection \(ATCC\)](#); [Corning Life Sciences – Mediatech Inc.](#); the Virginia Department of Forensic Sciences; the George Mason University (Mason)/National Institute of Health (NIH) Level-3 Biosafety Research Laboratory (BRL); Mason's Center for Applied Proteomics & Molecular Medicine (CAPMM) and Microbiome Group; and the FBI Northern Virginia Resident Agency.

Building Features

The building features 9 wet lab spaces ranging from 435 sf – 1141 sf, with lease terms from one (1) to three (3) years with renewal options. Each Lab has a separate Office/Entrance Space. Amenities include: kitchen; two conference rooms equipped with flat-screen TV's; restrooms with showers; general office room and photocopier; a back-up power generator and janitorial cleaning services in the common and office spaces. Common laboratory equipment featured are: autoclave; sink; glassware washer; DI water; and an ice machine.

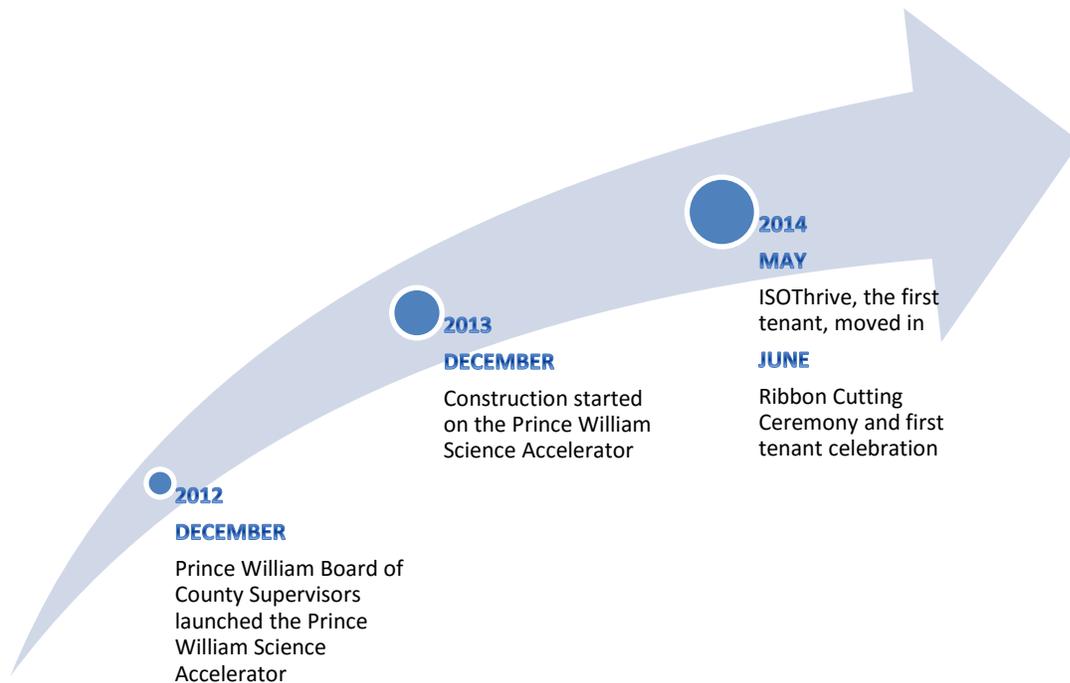
Building Directions

The Prince William Science Accelerator is located at 9385 Discovery Boulevard, Prince William, Virginia 20109. It is housed in the Rinker Design Associates (RDA) building located directly behind the FBI Northern Virginia Resident Agency. Headed north on Prince William Parkway (Route 234) take a left onto University Boulevard, next left onto Discovery Boulevard and 2nd left at the sign: 9385. The Prince William Science Accelerator is located on the first floor.

Public-Private Partnership

The Science Accelerator facility is a public-private partnership between Prince William County and the building owners, which is a joint venture comprised of Rinker Design Associates and NAL.

Milestones



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