Biotech Accelerators, Incubators, and Lab Shares

Know the Difference



Accelerators

Accelerators are like bootcamps with training to help biotech startups take their company to the next level.

STAGE \cdot Accelerators focus on the seed stage (a bit later stage than incubators).

FOCUS · Accelerators provide bootcamp style training (with workshops, office hours, fireside chats, etc.) to take your company from A to B (where B is usually an institutional fundraise) & don't necessarily provide lab space.

BUSINESS MODEL · Accelerators invest in participating companies in exchange for equity; companies stay for a specified duration of time, usually a couple months.



Incubators

Incubators combine community and lab space to support the earliest stage biotechs in getting their companies launched.

STAGE · Incubators focus on companies in the idea stage or preseed.

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FOCUS · Incubators provide community oriented support to help founders get their companies off the ground & provide lab space.

BUSINESS MODEL · Incubators invest in resident companies in exchange for equity; companies can usually stay for as long as they need.



Lab Shares

Lab shares are essentially shared lab spaces for biotech startups to rent before they get their own full lab space/office.

STAGE · Lab shares are stage agnostic, although mostly early stage (pre-Series B) companies will have a need to rent shared lab space.

FOCUS · Lab shares purely provide lab space.

BUSINESS MODEL · Companies pay rent on a monthly basis.

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