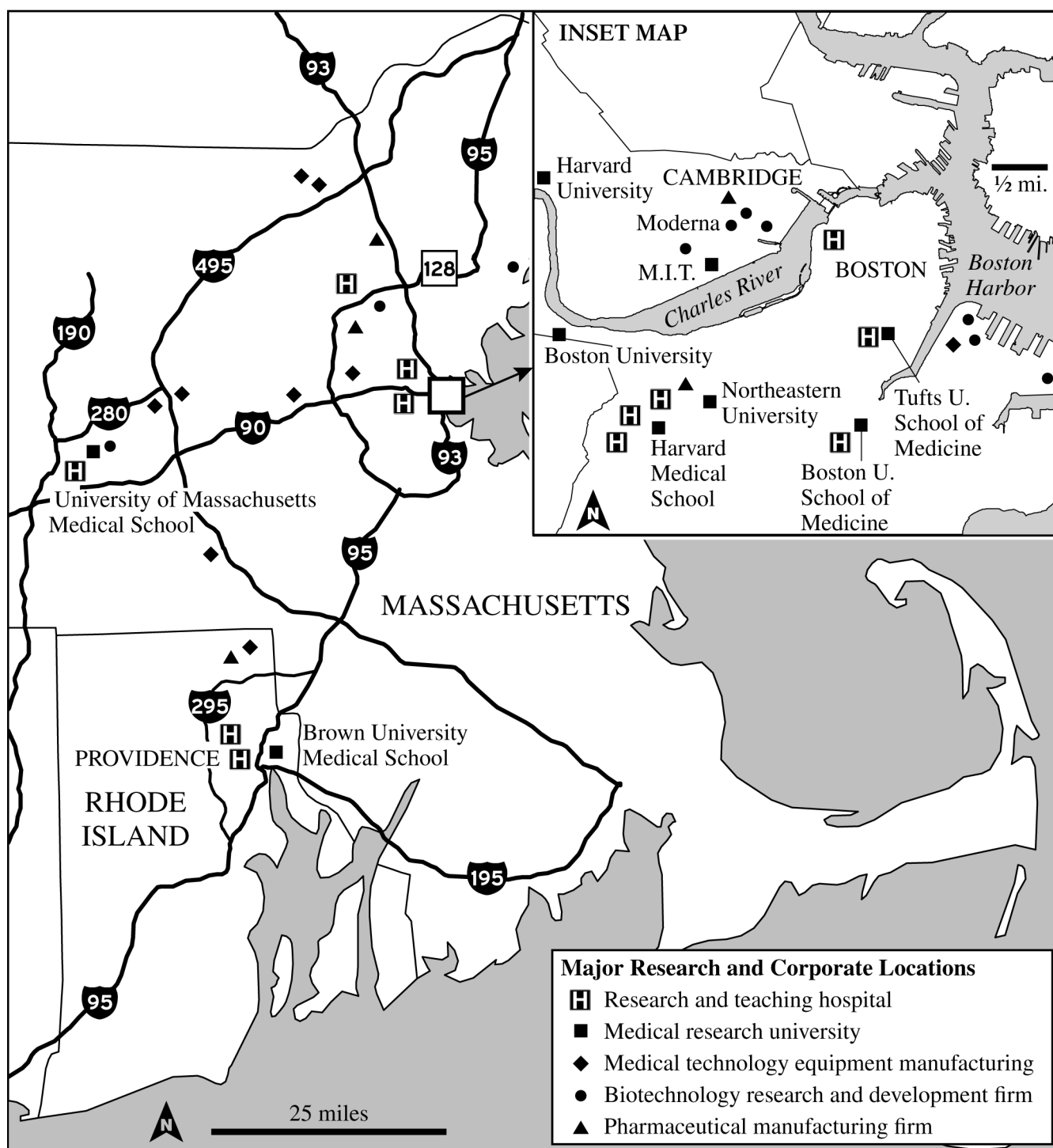


## Question 3

# MAJOR MEDICAL AND BIOTECHNOLOGY COMPANIES AND INSTITUTIONS IN THE BOSTON AND PROVIDENCE REGION



Source: National Institutes of Health

The inset map shows the downtown areas of Boston and Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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**SELECTED TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AREAS  
IN THE MEDICAL FIELD**

Category	Product or Service
<b>Biotechnology:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Genetic engineering research</li> <li>• Biochemistry research</li> <li>• Diagnostic and testing science</li> </ul>
<b>Gene therapies:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cancer treatments</li> <li>• Neurological treatments</li> <li>• Rare and genetic disease treatments</li> <li>• Antiviral treatments and vaccines (e.g., Moderna)</li> </ul>

3. Since the 1980s, the northeastern United States has developed into a major global center of high-technology industry that specializes in the medical field.
- A. Describe the spatial pattern of the companies and institutions shown in the inset map.
  - B. Describe the concept of a growth pole.
  - C. Explain ONE way education infrastructure affects a region's potential for high-technology development.
  - D. Explain how the pattern shown on the map resembles the galactic city model.
  - E. Explain ONE way local economic changes may be a result of deindustrialization.
  - F. Explain how the products and services listed in the table demonstrate that this economy has moved into the quaternary sector.
  - G. The map focuses on a regional scale. Explain a possible limitation of drawing country scale conclusions from a regional scale map.

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<b>(D)</b>	<b>Explain how the Columbian Exchange contributed to a crop's diffusion beyond its hearth of domestication.</b>	<b>1 point</b>
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Accept one of the following:

- D1. The Columbian Exchange led to the relocation or movement of crops from one part of the world to another part of the world through conquest, ecological imperialism, colonization processes, and/or along trade routes.
- D2. The Columbian Exchange was a process by which crops moved from one part of the world to another part of the world because of changing food preferences, cultural assimilation, and/or changing agricultural practices.
- D3. The Columbian Exchange may have accidentally or unintentionally introduced a new crop beyond its hearth of domestication (e.g., seeds or plants that may have been “stow-aways” in containers).

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<b>(E)</b>	<b>Explain how the data in the table support the concept of a crop's consumption pattern being the result of globalization.</b>	<b>1 point</b>
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Accept one of the following:

- E1. The high per capita production of corn, potatoes, rice, and/or cassava in locations far from the hearth (e.g., Brazil produces 1,056 pounds of corn per capita) supports the idea of this crop being a globalized crop.
  - E2. The high consumption of corn, potatoes, rice, and/or cassava in locations far from the hearth (e.g., rice consumed outside of China) supports the idea of this crop being a globalized crop.
  - E3. Globalized food culture, popularized food culture, global media coverage of food, and/or globalized consumer food preferences can be represented in the data where a crop is commonly produced away from its hearth of domestication.
  - E4. Globalized populations, multicultural societies, global migration patterns, and/or cultural syncretism can be represented in the data where a crop is commonly produced away from its hearth of domestication.
  - E5. Globalized trade and transportation facilitated by free-trade policies, neoliberal policies, complementarity, comparative advantage, competitive advantage, containerization, and/or bulk rail and ship transport can be represented in the data where a crop is commonly produced away from its hearth of domestication.
  - E6. A globalized economy, increases in economic development, and/or the growth of a global middle class of consumers can be represented in the data where a crop is commonly produced away from its hearth of domestication.
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**Question 3: Two Stimuli****7 points**

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**(A) Describe the spatial pattern of the companies and institutions shown in the inset map. 1 point**

Accept one of the following:

- A1. Agglomeration of similar economic activities.
- A2. Cluster or clustering of similar economic activities.
- A3. The concentration of similar activities along transportation routes (e.g., rivers, arterial roads).
- A4. There is a concentration of similar economic activities within a metropolitan area in Massachusetts.

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**(B) Describe the concept of a growth pole. 1 point**

Accept one of the following:

- B1. A location where research, development, and/or innovation (e.g., new product or process) generate new products and/or services.
  - B2. An institution (e.g., university, hospital, laboratory) where scientific discoveries, inventions, and/or innovations create new economic opportunities.
  - B3. An area where new businesses start up and/or businesses locate to participate in the emerging market and/or attract investment for a new product and/or service.
  - B4. An area where new businesses start up and/or businesses locate to access a specifically skilled or educated pool of labor.
  - B5. An area designated by a government to facilitate economic activity for a specific purpose.
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<b>(F)</b>	<b>Explain how the products and services listed in the table demonstrate that this economy has moved into the quaternary sector.</b>	<b>1 point</b>
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Accept one of the following:

- F1. The high-technology nature of the products and services listed demonstrates that the economy has moved into the quaternary sector.
- F2. The products and services rely on the knowledge and/or intellectual capabilities of the firms, institutions, and/or workforce that develop these advanced technologies.
- F3. The products and services are the outcomes of a highly educated, specialized, and/or creative class of employees who develop innovative solutions to consumer needs.
- F4. The products and services are dependent on the use of information technology for firms, institutions, and/or the workforce to be more productive, efficient, and/or cost-effective.

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<b>(G)</b>	<b>The map focuses on a regional scale. Explain a possible limitation of drawing country scale conclusions from a regional scale map.</b>	<b>1 point</b>
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Accept one of the following:

- G1. Attempts to analyze research data from one scale of analysis to make claims about another scale of analysis may be inaccurate due to the change in scale's effect on spatial analysis.
- G2. Making research assumptions from map data at one scale of analysis to make claims about another scale of analysis may result in an incorrect calculation or an ecological fallacy due to the change in scale.
- G3. The region can be specialized in a sector or type of production that is different from the economic sectors or production types found in other regions of the country.
- G4. The region can have a long and continuing tradition of valuable or productive sectors that are very different from the changing mix of economic sectors that characterize the country's economy.

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**Total for question 3: 7 points**