

> Location of the Kachslung Biotechnology Park

## Kaohsiung Biotechnology Park was Approved

In the 'Challenge 2008 - National Development Plan," the biotechnology industry is also listed as one of the star industries with great growth potential. The establishment of the Kaohsiung biotechnology industry cluster also tops the list in the "Action Plan for Biotechnology Industry" of the Executive Yuan.

Kaohsiung City is a cosmopolis with marine culture. It has a comprehensive transportation system. The Kaohsiung Harbor and the Kaohsiung International Airport also provide the city superior advantages in marine and air transportation. Kaohsiung City and Kaohsiung County accommodate over 10 universities and more than 8 colleges. When coupled with the higher education institutions in the nearby Tainan County and Tainan City, Kaohsiung has abundant human resources and comprehensive academic support network. Therefore, it is very suitable to develop a metropolitan science park of biotechnology with low pollution to facilitate the industrial and academic cooperation as well as the high-tech industry clusters.

To work in line with the government policy and follow the development trend of industries, the Kaohsiung City Government was working very hard to make the Biotechnology Park a reality in Kaohsiung. The Kaohsiung Biotechnology Park was approved by the Executive Yuan on May 17, 2004 to be established on the 21-acre land owned by the Veterans Affairs Commission of Executive Yuan in Nanzih District of Kaohsiung City. The land will then be developed and operated by the National Science Council according to the "Act for Establishment and Administration of Science Parks" while listed as one of the sites of the STSP. The preparation plan was



approved by the Council for Economic Planning and Development based on the deliberative principle on December 31, 2004.

US\$958.5 thousand of budget was allocated in 2005 to complete the planning of the Park, necessary infrastructures, and the commissioned financial management. In addition, the initial enterprises recruitment will also be conducted to facilitate the follow-up works.

