

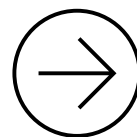
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# Medicon Valley

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The leading biotech and pharma  
hub in Scandinavia





# Scandinavia's leading biotech and pharma hub

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Medicon Valley represents one of Europe's strongest life science sectors, based on close collaboration between industry, academia and the public sector and the best knowledge transfer between the public and private sector in Scandinavia.

Medicon Valley is home to 4 life science universities which have a total of 50,000 students enrolled in life science courses and produce 2,000 PhD's every year. Moreover, Denmark holds the largest share of patents in biotechnology in the world. (Scientific American, 2013)

Many large pharma companies and SMEs have located R&D and/or production in Medicon Valley. Denmark hosts more than 150 biotech companies, and the industry employs more than 40,000 people.

Medicon Valley has 22 hospitals, of which 11 are university hospitals. Danish hospitals are renowned for their high quality in clinical trials and are preferred partners for several of the world's largest pharma companies.



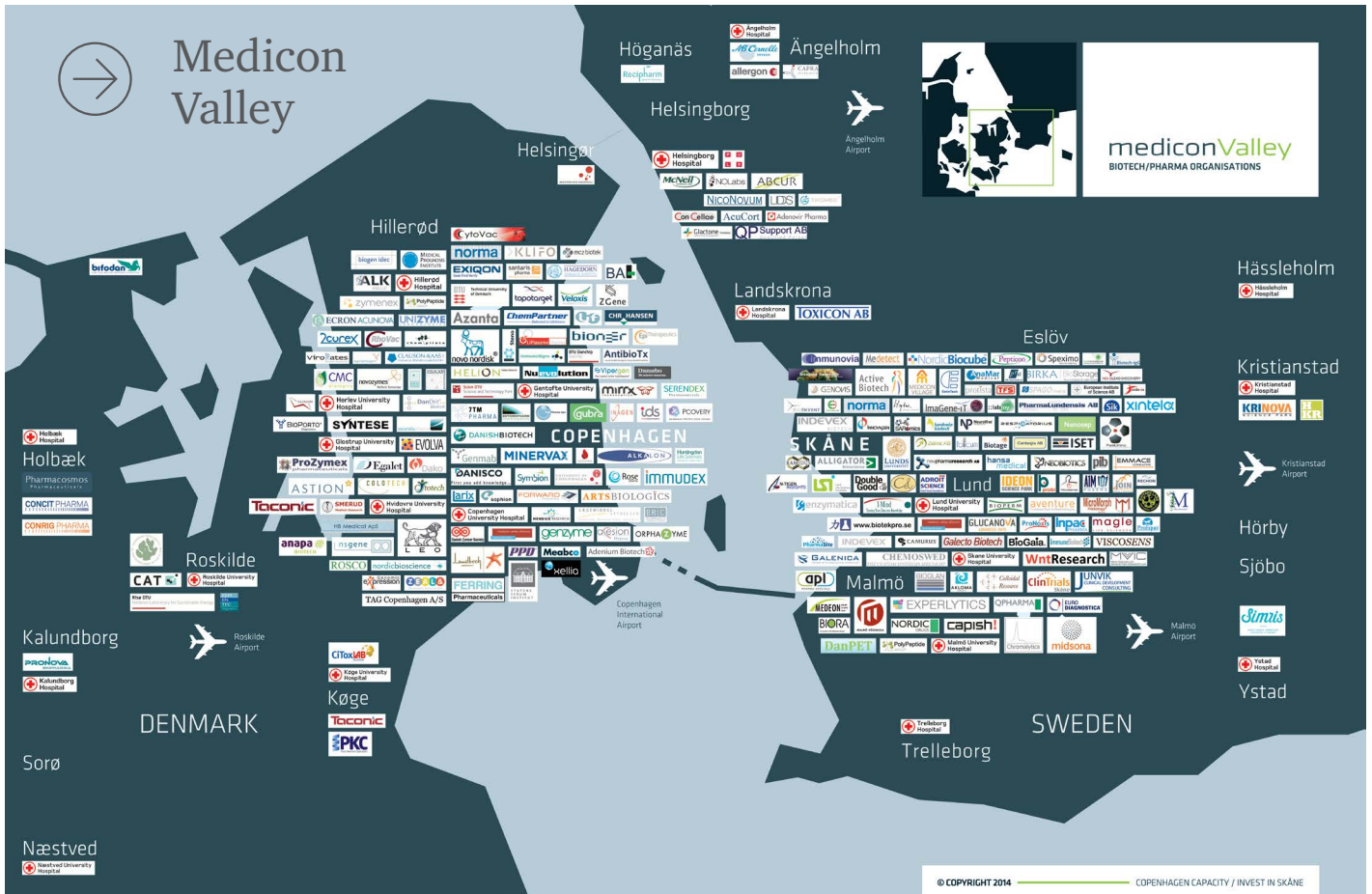
Denmark offers great opportunities to do clinical research, owing to favourable business framework conditions and the strong support of public-private partnerships among government, hospitals, universities and industry. With our acquisition of Santaris Pharma and the establishment of the Roche Innovation Center Copenhagen, we look forward to continuing our partnership with Denmark's innovative and vibrant biotech community.

- Ronald Park, General Manager, Roche Denmark A/S

## Medicon Valley is no. 1 in Europe in number of clinical trials

Denmark is Europe's most productive country per capita in conducting clinical trials:

- The Danes readily enroll in clinical trials.
- The Danish health registries make it easy to identify suitable patients and ensure that nobody is lost to follow-up.
- A single-point-of-entry system ensures that a drug trial application will be processed within 6 weeks with parallel submission to the Danish Medicines Authority and EC's.



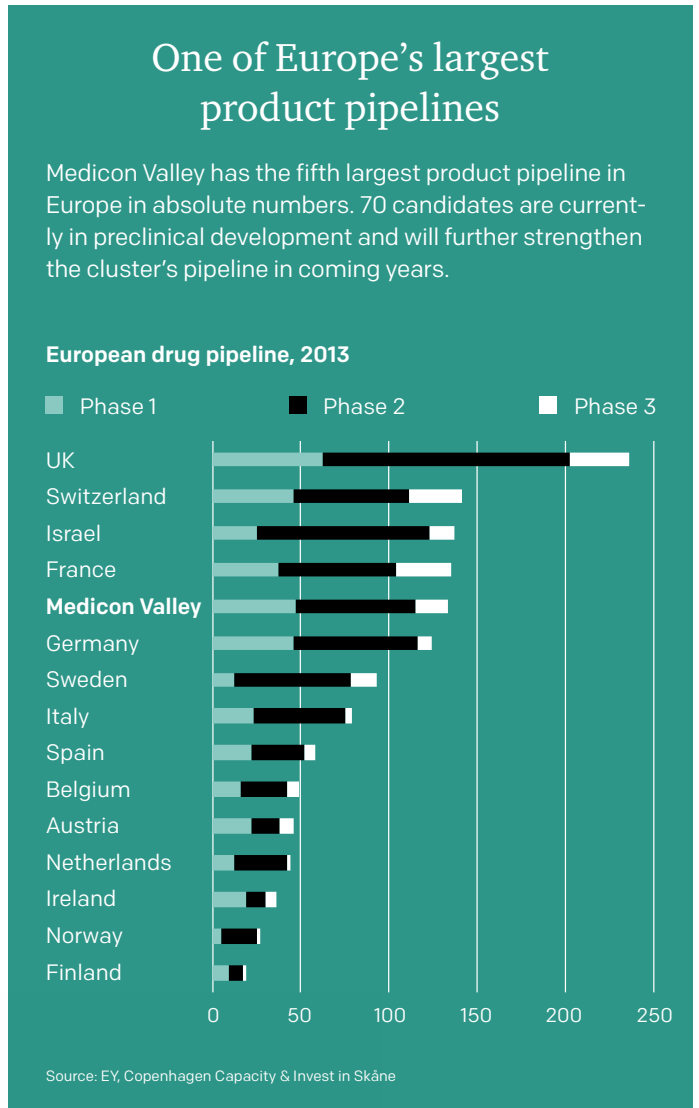

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 Denmark is the best country in Europe  
 (no. 2 in the world) for the development of biotechnology.  
 - Source: Scientific American, 2013

### Therapeutic strongholds

- **Cancer**  
Genmab, Bavarian Nordic, Santaris Pharma
- **Metabolic Diseases**  
Novo Nordisk, Zealand Pharma
- **Brain Diseases/CNS**  
Lundbeck, Egalet
- **Inflammation**  
LEO Pharma, ALK Abelló

95%  
 approval rate on drug trial applications.



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## Europe's best country for doing business

### Why Copenhagen?

Medicon Valley in the Copenhagen region is one of the world's leading life science clusters, offering a multitude of business opportunities for biopharma businesses.

Denmark is the second best country in the world for the development of biotechnology, and Copenhagen's business environment is highly competitive:

- Denmark is the best country for doing business in Europe.  
– World Bank 2012-2015
- Denmark has the most flexible labour market in the EU.  
– IMD 2014
- In 2016, company tax will be only 22% – combined with a unique double taxation rule of 0%.  
– Growth plan DK 2013
- Denmark has Europe's lowest social security contribution on salaries.  
– IMD 2014
- 87% of Danes speak English, 56% speak German, and 13% speak French.

### Free business consultancy services

As Greater Copenhagen's official investment promotion agency, Copenhagen Capacity offers free business consultancy services to all foreign-owned companies. We can assist you in:

- Identifying partnering opportunities in Medicon Valley.
- Getting access to companies and researchers in Medicon Valley.
- Building your business case for Denmark including benchmarks, cost analysis and property search.
- Establishing your business in Denmark.

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