Medical research and innovation in Sweden

for better health, new jobs and a growing economy



Research!Sweden – an independent non-profit foundation

Founded in 2010 by 64 well-known individuals from all parts of society: politics, industry, culture, academia, healthcare, trade unions, patient advocacy and other non-profits.

Among the founders: Nobel Prize winners, former prime minister, movie directors and industry icons.

Our aim is to make medical research a higher national priority – for health and prosperity.

Our vision is that medical research for health and life science companies continue to develop in, or move to, Sweden and that medical advances become of use to the population at a faster pace.

Our mission is to inform and raise awareness of the importance of medical research. This is done by providing decision-makers with facts and evidence-based proposals, as well as acting as a platform for constructive discussions.



Our message

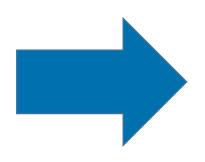
Research!Sweden wants the government to forcefully and with high priority ensure the best possible environment for medical research, development and its transfer to practical use, for the benefit of patients. Government investments in the field should increase and, over time, be at the level of 4 percent of every SEK spent on healthcare.



Research!Sweden provides knowledge

Research!Sweden inform policy makers about the value of medical research. The foundation makes use of the knowledge among experts in its network to form constructive and well-founded **action proposals**. The proposals have received widespread attention and are being actively used by policy makers, both in writing and speech.







Interpellation - Annie Lööf (C) and Ingela Nylund Watz (S)



Agenda for health and prosperity

Research!Sweden acts as a neutral platform for constructive discussions between different actors from all parts of the life science system in Sweden. One example is our membership organization "Agenda for health and prosperity".

Agenda för hälsa och välstånd – ett samarbete mellan



och:









































































Our vision for life science year 2030

Sweden is a global key player within life science that attracts top talent

With large and long-term investments in education and research, there is room for curiosity and scientific excellence.

Sweden is a leader within healthcare, putting new knowledge and competence into practice

The interaction between academia, industry, healthcare and citizens creates an attractive environment for research and innovation. This, in turn, creates high quality healthcare.

The coordinated mission of healthcare to document relevant information contributes to a unique national platform for research and development. Researchers and companies are attracted to Sweden as a leading nation for clinical studies.

Sweden is a magnet for life science investments

With its innovative and dynamic environment, combined with attractive business conditions, Sweden is one of the most competitive life science nations in the world.

Reports written with the members of

"Agenda for health and prosperity"



These reports provide up-to date analyses, policy proposals and action plans for political decision-makers.



We focus on how to strenghten Sweden's position within four areas:

Health

and

prosperity

Excellent research and education

- a prerequisite for competitiveness and prosperity

An internationally competitive business environment

- that attracts companies to conduct research, development and production in Sweden

A quality driven patientfocused healthcare

- a well-functioning system that enables patients to benefit from new innovations

A national structure for information

 that enables collection, utilization and sharing of data to improve health



Yearly review of government initiatives

We make yearly reviews where we follow-up and evaluate the work of the government, focusing on the four areas. The report is presented in collaboration with a network of politicans from all parties.







Seminars and conferences















Almedalen

One example of events is "Almedalsveckan" where our proposals are discussed with politicians.





The Research!Sweden-day

The Research!Sweden-day gathers top-leaders in politics, business, academia, healthcare and patient advocacy for a high-level discussion.

During the day we also present awards to researchers and politicians. Our awards have been highlighted in, for example, national television and newspapers.





10 years anniversary seminar in the Parliament

Research!Sweden was invited to celebrate 10+1 years in 2021 with a seminar in the parliament.





The value of research - factsheets and films

Research!Sweden makes a difference by showing that medical research is a valuable investment. We developed fact sheets and short films about the value of medical research and development. We also use opinion polls in order to highlight how important the question is for citizens.





Linus Sandegren, Lecturer, Uppsala University



Research!Sweden in media

Research!Sweden frequently publishes articles in media. We are also active in debates through press releases, published comments and social media.



SVERIGE FÖR HÄLSA OCH VÄLSTÅND

Debattörerna: Kan ni uppfylla väljarnas förväntningar om ni

kommer till makten?

More about our work

- Research!Sweden produces an annual status report with statistics on governmental
 and total spending on research and development, showing changes over the years and
 international comparisons. Along with other statistics of relevance to the life science
 field this report contributes to transparency and makes it easier to identify positive as
 well as negative trends.
- A variety of products are developed as input to propositions or other policyrelated work. Our meetings with politicians and civil servants are key in our work as an intermediary between the professions in the different parts of the life science system and the political decisionmakers.
- Our analyses and policy-proposals are also used by other organizations, which creates greater impact.
- Our Secretary General is an elected member of the **government's advisory board for life sciences**, as well as the **governing board for Euroscience**.





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