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, health care, trade unions, patient associations and other non-profits.

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

The original idea to start Research!Sweden came from Hans Bergström who had been inspired by Research!America and saw a need for a similar force in Sweden.

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

Our vision is that medical research and business continue to develop in, or move to, Sweden and that medical advances become of use to the public at a faster rate.

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 for change.



Our message

For patients to have access to the best possible health care – and in order for Sweden to retain and develop skills and create jobs – medical research needs to become a higher national priority.

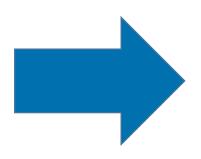
Research!Sweden wants the government to develop and implement a coherent and long-term strategy for creating better conditions for medical research and its applications. Over time the public investment in medical research should be doubled and correspond to 4% of every Swedish krona spent on healthcare.



Research!Sweden provides knowledge

Research!Sweden raises awareness by informing policy makers about the value of medical research. The foundation makes use of the knowledge among the founders and experts in its network to form constructive and well-founded proposals for action. 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 the life science sector in Sweden. One example of this is the foundation's network "Agenda for health and prosperity".

Agenda för hälsa och välstånd – ett samarbete mellan











































































Our vision for Life Science year 2030

Sweden is a key actor within Life Science, attracting top talent

Substantial and long-term investments in education and research provides a fundament for curiosity, drive, science and excellence.

Sweden is a leading country within healthcare, by promptly putting new knowledge and expertise into practice

The interaction between academia, business, healthcare and the population creates an attractive environment for research and innovation, and brings healthcare to the forefront.

The healthcare system contributes to the development of a unique national platform for research and quality, by documenting relevant health data. Scientists and companies are attracted to Sweden as a leading nation for clinical and real-world studies.

Sweden is a magnet for Life Science investments

With its innovative and dynamic environment, as well as having attractive conditions for business, Sweden is one of the most competitive Life Science nations in the world.

Reports: Agenda for health and prosperity















Our reports provide input to a life science strategy with 14 proposals with actionplans. We focus on how to strenghten Sweden's position within four areas:

Hälsa och välstånd

Excellent research and education

- a prerequisite for welfare and competitiveness

An internationally competitive business environment

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

A quality driven patientfocused care

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

A national structure for research and quality development

- that aids the collection, utilization and sharing of data to improve health

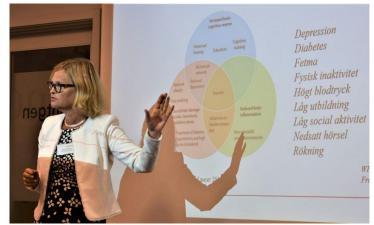


Seminars and conferences















Yearly review of government initiatives

We make yearly reviews of government initiatives, where we follow-up on the governments actions and evaluate the initiatives related to our vision and actionproposals. The report is presented in collaboration with a network of politicans.







Almedalen

Research!Sweden also arrange events in July, during "Almedalsveckan" where our proposals are discussed with politicians of all colours, in public and free forums.





The Research!Sweden-day

The Research!Sweden-day, another well-established platform, gathers top-leaders in politics, business, academia, health care and patient organisations for exclusive discussions.

During the day one researcher and one politician is honored with the Research!Sweden award. The award 2016 was highlighted on Swedish national television.





10 years anniversary

Research!Sweden celebrated 10+1 years in 2021





The value of medical research

Research!Sweden communicates the value of medical research in various ways; direct **interaction** with politicians, public opinion polls, articles etc. Research!Sweden has also developed a series of fact sheets and 12 short films to highlight the value of medical research and innovation.





Linus Sandegren, Lecturer, Uppsala University



More about our work

Research!Sweden produces an **annual progress report** with statistics on research investments, life science companies etc, showing trends and international comparisons. It contributes to transparency, makes it possible to highlight trends going in the wrong direction and is used by the media.

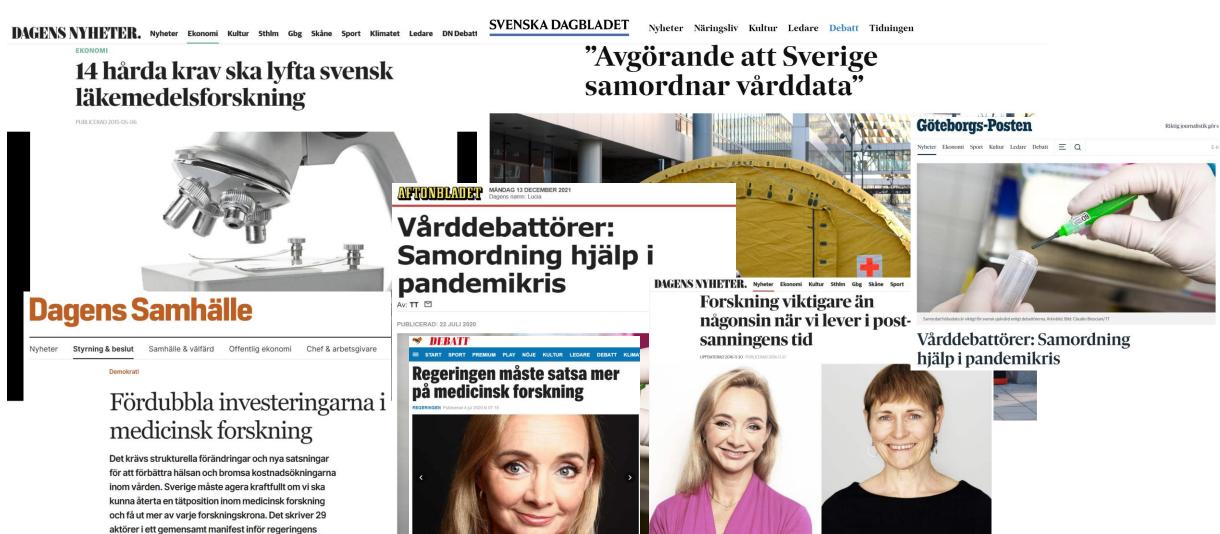
Research!Sweden is successful in the **media** and active in the debate via debate articles, press releases, comments and social media.

Research!Sweden's Secretary General is an elected member of the **government's advisory board for life sciences.**



Media coverage

kommande forskningsproposition.





Research!Sweden is a independent non-profit foundation

One of Research! Sweden's strengths is that the foundation has no special interest. We are focusing on medical research as an investment for Sweden from a societal perspective.

Research! Sweden makes this at a very small cost in the hope that it will help patients. The investments made in the foundation are estimated to have paid off many times over.

The foundation is funded by donors and the members of "Agenda for health and prosperity"

As a non-profit foundation, we never charge profit margins for our work. The funding is to cover direct costs of the operations.





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