

## Breaking the translational roadblock for medical innovation

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In academia, the majority of projects with a promising potential for a new medical application and compelling preclinical proof-of-concept data are not being further developed - often in spite of pressing medical needs. This translational gap between academic research and applied, clinical research is often referred to as 'valley of death', and it seems to be widening rather than narrowing in the recent years.

## **Problem definition:**

This research project will pin-point and analyze the main pitfalls for the process of translation in biomedicine in Switzerland and other selected countries (i.e. Germany, Great Britain, Sweden, and USA) and will give recommendations for improvements. The project will create valuable insights for basic scientists interested in translation, universities, funding agencies, policy makers and companies in the health sector.

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