

# Mapping of the Health Tech Innovation Ecosystem in Trøndelag



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# 1 Summary and overview

## Background

This report gives an overview of players in health technology ecosystem in Trøndelag. In this context, health tech is defined as “the application of organized knowledge and skills in the form of devices, medicines, vaccines, procedures, and systems developed to solve a health problem and improve quality of lives<sup>1</sup>”.

The mapping includes four stakeholder groups; companies providing health tech (start-ups, scaleups and established companies), R&D actors and test infrastructure, clusters, networks and forums, as well as investors. The report will be updated on a regular basis.

## Companies developing and selling health tech

We have identified 62 health tech companies in Trøndelag. 20 companies deliver medical equipment with main focus on diagnosis and treatment of illness, 11 welfare technology, 10 sports technology, 10 medicine, 9 ICT support systems and 2 distribution technology. The 62 companies had a total revenue of 1 215 bn NOK in 2021, and employ 1 288 employees

as of June 2022. 54 of the identified health tech companies are located in Trondheim, the remaining 8 in municipalities close to Trondheim (Indre Fosen, Levanger, Stjørdal, Skaun, Midtre Gauldal and Oppdal).

In addition to the 62 identified health tech companies, there are many examples of tech subcontractors located in Trøndelag. These operate along the full value chain from manufacturing and assembly to service and competence provision, ASIC/IP<sup>2</sup> development and sales, and direct application of integrated circuits.

## R&D actors and test infrastructure

We have identified five main public and private performers of R&D related to health tech in Trøndelag; three hospitals (St. Olavs hospital HF, Levanger and Namsos), two universities (NTNU and Nord Universitet) and one R&D institute (SINTEF). Furthermore, we have identified 33 health tech related R&D infrastructure entities in Mid Norway, consisting of 3 R&D support departments, 5 R&D centres, 8 core facilities,



## We have identified 62 health technology companies in Trøndelag.

9 special lab environments, 3 innovation infrastructure/laboratories and 5 health related simulation and learning infrastructure.

This R&D infrastructure is strategically anchored in a hospital, college, university or R&D institute in the region, is available for all types of users throughout the region and offers services and equipment beyond basic needs. Ordinary laboratories and teaching areas are not included. Special lab environments at NTNU and SINTEF are included as these can be used by external stakeholders.

In addition to the R&D performed by the hospitals, universities and R&D institutes, the identified health tech companies also conduct own R&D projects. Of the 62 identified health tech companies, 18 companies have as of autumn 2022 175 million NOK of RCN funded R&D projects ongoing.

### **Clusters, networks and forums**

We have identified 15 clusters, networks and forums working with issues related to health tech in Trøndelag, including 1 program, 1 project, 3 forums, 1 cluster, 2 incubators (planned), 1 lab, 5 networks and 1 association. There probably exist even more informal (and formal) networks and forums, but these are hard to identify.

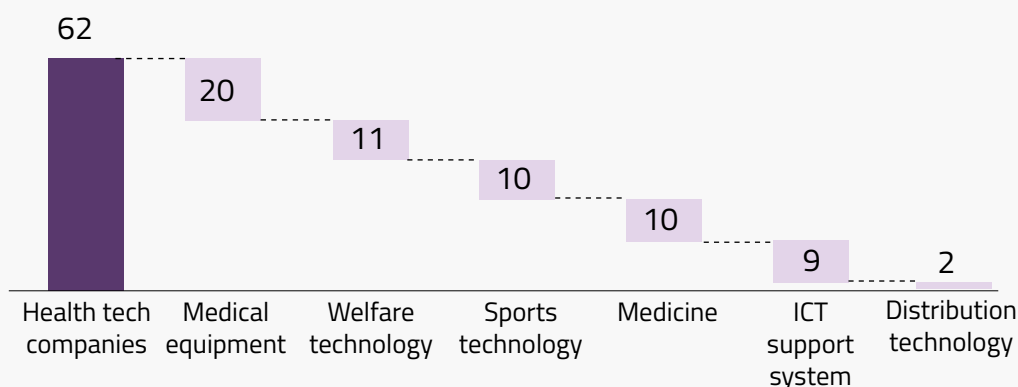
### **Investors**

We have identified 18 existing investors in Mid-Norway, and 2 planned investment activities/funds. Of these 18 investors, 8 investors have invested in some of the 62 identified health tech companies. The remaining 12 investors have not yet invested in health tech companies. 6 of them are industry agnostic and 4 of them have other stated sector focus than health tech.

1. Definition by [World Health Organization](#)
2. Application-specific integrated circuit

# Key figures of the health tech ecosystem in Trøndelag

62 health tech companies in Trøndelag (2022)



1215

**bn. NOK in revenue in health tech companies (2021)**

1288

**Employees in health tech companies (June 2022)**

27

**of 62 companies have origin from NTNU, Helse Midt Norge or SINTEF**

175

**bn. NOK of funded RCN projects on-going for the identified companies**

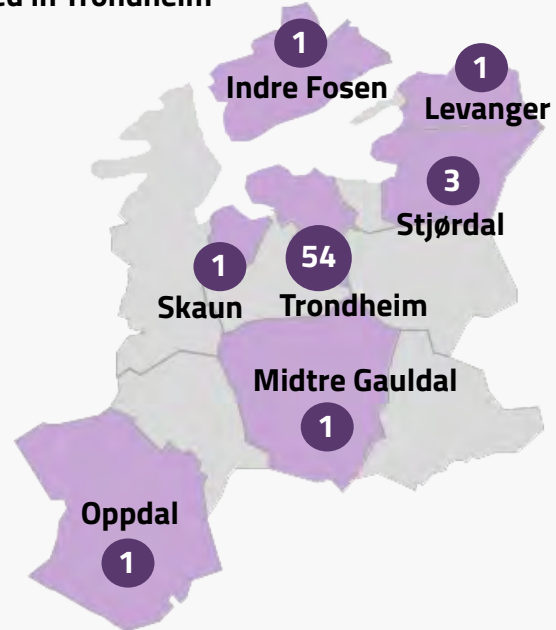
## 5 main performers of R&D related to health tech in Trøndelag (in addition to the 62 companies)



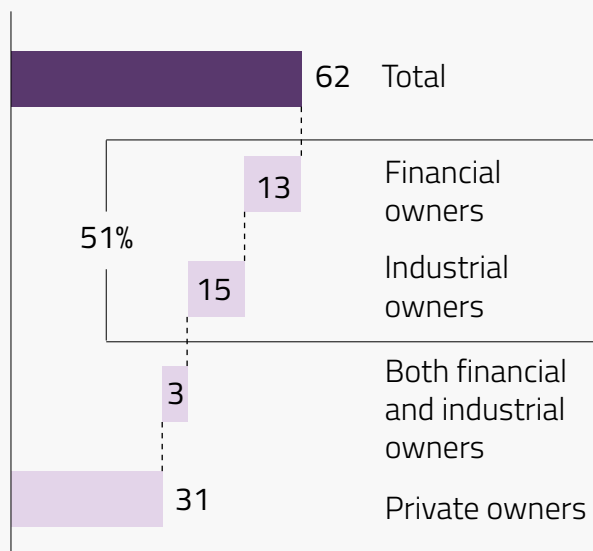
### 33 health tech related R&D infrastructure entities in Mid Norway

- 8 core facilities
- 9 special lab environments
- 5 simulation and learning facilities
- 5 R&D centres
- 3 R&D support
- 3 innovation infrastructure/ laboratories

### 54 of 62 companies located in Trondheim



### 50% of identified companies are owned by professional investors



### Investors in Trøndelag invested in some of the 62 companies



# Overview of players in the ecosystem of health tech in Trøndelag

## Companies

### Medical equipment

- Aurotech ultrasound
- Bulbitech
- Cardiomech
- **Cimon Medical**
- GE Vingmed ultrasound
- Infiniwell
- **Lybe Scientific**
- Mode sensors
- **Nisonic**
- **Nordiq products**
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- Superego
- Surf technology
- Vitacon
- **VitalThings**
- **Vitroscope**
- **Yatek Solutions**

### Distribution tech

- **Aviant**
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### Welfare technology

- Assitech
- AudioPlus
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### Sports technology

- **APIIR**
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- Geneseque
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- Norimun
- Vectron biosolutions
- **Xphage Biosolutions**

### ICT support systems

- Checkware
- DIPS AS
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- Extend
- Helseplattformen
- Norsk helseinformatikk
- Safetec Nordic
- Vivit
- **WTW**

**Bold** means companies established from 2017 and after (startups)

## Clusters, forums and networks

- Trøndelagsløftet
- Digi Trøndelag
- Rundbords-diskusjoner helse
- Fagråd helseteknologi
- Samarbeidsorganet
- Norway Health Tech. Avd. Trondheim
- Trondheim Heath and Sports Incubator
- Mid Norway Health Incubator
- DRIV NTNU helseinnovasjonsarena
- Innovasjons-rådgiver-nettverket
- TrønderNett
- HUB Digital hjemme-oppfølgning
- Helseledernetverket i Trøndelag
- Helsefellesskapenes nettverk
- Trondheim Tech Port



## R&D actors and infrastructure

### R&D actors

- St Olavs hospital
- Helse Nord-Trøndelag
- NTNU
- Nord Universitet
- SINTEF

### R&D support

- Forskningsavdelingen Helse Nord-Trøndelag
- Forskningsposten (St Olavs hospital)
- Klinisk forskingsenhet Midt-Norge

### R&D centres

- HUNT Forskningscenter
- Biobank1 (Helse Midt Norge)
- Norwegian 7T MR Centre (NTNU)
- The Norwegian Brain Initiative (NTNU)
- NorTrials senter for medisinsk utstyr (St Olavs hospital)

### Core facilities (NTNU and Helse Midt Norge)<sup>1</sup>

- Bioinformatics
- Cellular and molecular imaging
- Comparative Medicine
- Genomics
- MR
- NeXt Move
- Proteomics and Modomics Experimental
- Viral Vector

### Special lab environments (NTNU)

- BSL3 Laboratorium
- Hotlab radioaktive stoffer
- Ultralydlaboratorium
- Nano- Biomechanic division
- Det biomekaniske robotlab. for ortopedi

### Special lab environments (SINTEF)

- Arbeidsfysiologisk lab.
- Screeninglaboratorium

- Molekylærbiologi lab
- Lab. for medisinsk teknologi, ultralyd og bildeveiledet behandling

### Innovation infrastructure

- Innovasjonsklinikken (Helse Nord Trøndelag)
- Fremtidens operasjonsrom (St Olavs hospital, NTNU)
- Regionalt senter for helse-tjenesteutvikling (St Olavs hospital)

### Health related simulation and learning

- Simulerings- og ferdighets-avdeling, Nord universitet (Levanger og Namsos)
- Enhet for helsefaglig simulering (NTNU)
- Medisinsk simulator-senter (St Olavs hospital)
- Senter for simulering og velferdsteknologi (NTNU Ålesund)

## Investors

### Invested in identified health tech companies

- 6AM
- NTNU Technology Transfer
- SINTEF Venture
- Leiv Eriksson Nyskapning
- CoFounder
- ProVenture
- Investinor
- WISKI Capital

### Industry agnostic investors

- Protomore
- ÅKP
- Reitan
- PIR
- WeSeed
- Romsdal Innovasjon

### Stated sector other than health tech

- Salvesen & Thams
- Tidligfasefondet
- Convento
- Viking Venture

1. The Faculty of Medicine at NTNU and Health Sciences and the Central Norway Regional Health Authority have organised several laboratories with advanced equipment and expertise are into core facilities. These research facilities offer a necessary infrastructure connected to specialized expertise for regional, national and international researchers from research institutions and the industrial sector.



## 2 Background, purpose and delimitations

### Background and purpose

Trondheim Tech Port's goal is to increase Norway's innovation power through closer cooperation between actors in Trøndelag. Trondheim Tech Port is a member-based interest association for technology and innovation. Trondheim Tech Port is a driving force and facilitator for innovation and technology, through projects, events and communication. Trondheim Tech Port works systematically with the strategic areas:

- **Innovation:** Create arenas and networks that connect innovation actors.
- **Identity:** Make an attractive region visible for new opportunities.
- **Infrastructure:** Strengthen infrastructure that realizes innovation.

The association focuses on the areas oceans, health, energy and digitization as enabling technology. To be able to work systematically with facilitating innovation within the health technology industry, there is a need for in-depth knowledge about the ecosystem. Today, there is limited overview of players, networks and clusters, test environments and labs and not least what cutting-edge expertise / comparative advantages

the players have. This mapping will provide a good basis for proposing measures that will contribute to achieving the goal of increasing Norway's innovative power in health technology through closer co-operation between the actors in Trøndelag.

### Methodology

This report gives an overview of the players in the ecosystem for health technology (health tech) in Trøndelag. In this context, health tech is defined as "the application of organized knowledge and skills in the form of devices, medicines, vaccines, procedures, and systems developed to solve a health problem and improve quality of lives<sup>1</sup>". The report will be updated on a regular basis.

The overview is structured along two dimensions:

- Sub-sectors within health tech. Includes health and medical devices, medicines and distribution technology. See p. 12 for definitions.
- Stakeholder groups active within these sub-sectors. Includes companies (startups and established companies), R&D actors, clusters, networks and forums, as well as investors.



Three information sources are used creating this report:

- Structuring existing knowledge about the ecosystem by interviewing key stakeholders in the ecosystem. Eight interviews have been conducted (see page 14 for details).
- Using Karabin Impellos existing database of technology companies in Trøndelag (Impello-analysen).
- Desk research by use of publicly available information sources such as information from company web sites, Proff Forvalt, The Research Council of Norway etc.

#### **Delimitations and reservations**

The information in this report is quality assured to an extent that has been practically feasible within a very limited time frame. Karabin Impello makes no guarantee that the content of this report is free from factual errors and/or incomplete information.

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## Health tech – definitions used in this report

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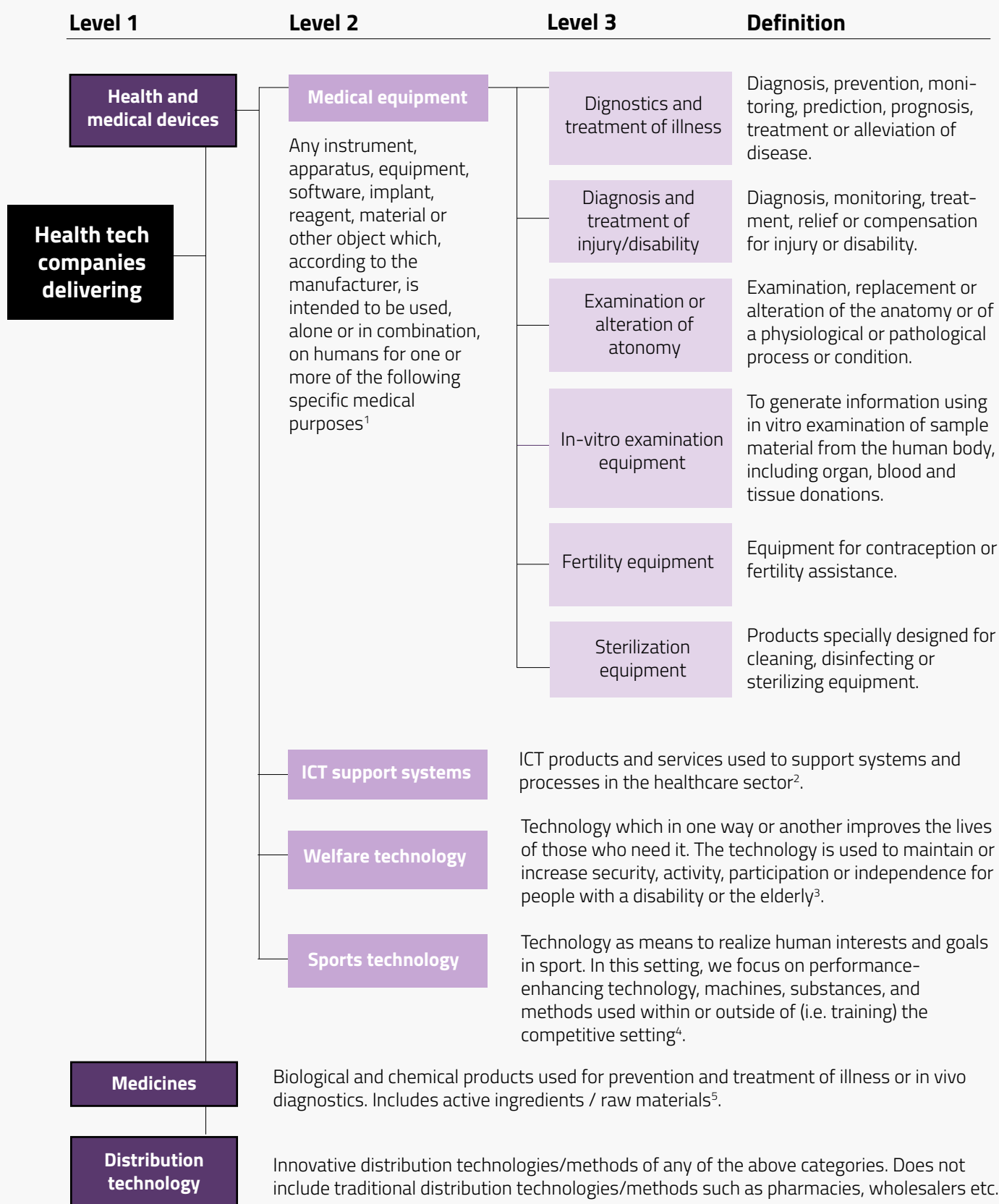
1. Definition by World Health Organization

Context:

### Type of players and their role along the health value chain in Norway

|                 | Research                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Development and production ("health industry")                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Distribution                                                                                                               | Treatment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Type of players | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hospitals (including university hospitals)</li> <li>▪ Universities and colleges</li> <li>▪ Research institutes</li> <li>▪ Corporate R&amp;D units</li> <li>▪ Other public entities performing R&amp;D</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Corporate and startups delivering products and/or services to other players within the same value chain step, or directly to providers of treatment</li> </ul>                                                                                                                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pharmacies</li> <li>▪ Agents, wholesalers or other distributors</li> </ul>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Public hospitals</li> <li>▪ Other public health treatment facilities</li> <li>▪ Private treatment facilities</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                             |
| Role            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Scientific knowledge development.</li> <li>▪ The majority of the activity is carried out by public actors such as universities and hospitals.</li> </ul>                                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Development and production of products and services to be implemented in a market by a specific actor.</li> <li>▪ The development takes place in startups that commercialize their own products/services or in established companies' product and service development.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Distribution and wholesale of Norwegian and international health tech.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Products and services developed, manufactured and distributed in the preceding value chain steps are used to diagnose and treat patients.</li> <li>▪ The value chain step also includes health and care services aimed at prevention and rehabilitation.</li> </ul> |

## Health tech broken down in sub-segments with definitions



1. Definition by Legemiddelverket (<https://legemiddelverket.no/medisinsk-utstyr/hvordan-sette-medisinsk-utstyr-pa-markedet/klassifisering#hva-er-et-medisinsk-utstyr?>)  
 2. and 5. Definition by Menon Economics (<https://www.menon.no/wp-content/uploads/2022/57-Helsenærings-verdi-2022.pdf>)  
 3. Definition by Nordic Welfare (<https://nordicwelfare.org/en/welfare-policy/welfare-technology/>)



## We have used three information sources when conducting the mapping

### Interviews with selected stakeholders

Structuring existing knowledge about the ecosystem by interviewing key stakeholders in the ecosystem. Six interviews have been conducted in the period 23.06–29.06.2022.

| Name                 | Role/Company                             | Date     |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------|----------|
| Ann Iren Jamtøy      | Project leader, NTNU Helse               | 23.06.22 |
| Stine Slørdal        | Project leader, Trøndelagsløftet         | 24.06.22 |
| Merete Rørvik        | Senior business developer, SINTEF        | 27.06.22 |
| Hilde Berg-Karlsen   | Innovation coordinator, Helseplattformen | 28.06.22 |
| Arild Faksvaag       | Senior Adviser, Helseplattformen         | 28.06.22 |
| Lisbet Slettahjel    | Department manager, Trondheim kommune    | 28.06.22 |
| Marit Bratlie        | Innovation consultant                    | 29.06.22 |
| Knut Løkke           | CEO, MyWorkout                           | 20.09.22 |
| Heidi Blengsli Aabel | CEO, Checkware                           | 19.09.22 |

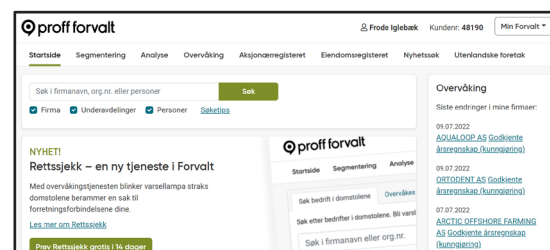
### Impelloanalysen database

Using Karabin Impellos existing database of technology companies in Trøndelag (Impelloanalysen) to identify health tech companies relevant for this mapping. 56 companies were identified.



### Desk research

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# 3 Companies

## Overview of all companies providing health tech in Trøndelag

### Medical equipment (20)

- Aurotech ultrasound AS (Trondheim)
- Bulbitech AS
- Cardiomech AS
- **Cimon Medical AS**
- GE Vingmed ultrasound AS (Trondheim)
- Infiniwell AS
- **Lybe Scientific AS**
- Mode sensors AS
- **Nisonic AS**
- **Nordiq products AS**
- Ortodent AS
- Palion Medical AS
- Picterus AS
- Sonoclear AS
- Superego AS
- Surf technology AS
- Vitacon AS
- **VitalThings AS**
- **Vitroscope AS**
- **Yatek Solutions AS**

### Welfare technology (10)

- Assitech AS
- AudioPlus AS
- Avia technology AS
- Braillo Norway AS
- CTM Lyng AS
- Elotek AS
- LingIt AS
- Mindfit AS
- PPM Robotics AS
- Quality Care AS
- Safenode AS

### Medicine (10)

- Advanced biopolymers AS
- Apim therapeutics AS

**Bold** means companies established from 2017 and after (startups)

- Biosergen AS
- Chiron pharmasynt AS
- Coegin Pharma AS
- Geneseque AS
- Nordic Pharma Inc AS avd Trondheim
- Norimun AS
- Vectron biosolutions AS
- **Xphage Biosolutions AS**

### Sports technology (10)

- **APIIR AS**
- Enry AS
- Exceline AS
- Initial Force AS
- Memento network AS
- Myworkout AS
- Pai Health Norway AS
- Sportradar AS
- Goalkeeper AS (Steady)
- ZXY Sport Tracking AS

### Distribution technology (2)

- **Aviant AS**
- Epion AS

### ICT support systems (9)

- Checkware AS
- DIPS AS (Trondheim)
- Dynamisk helse AS
- Extend AS
- Helseplattformen AS
- Norsk helseinformatikk AS
- Safetec Nordic AS
- Vivit AS
- **WTW AS**

### Examples of technology subcontractors:

#### Manufacturing and assembly

- Inission Løkken
- Norbit EMS

#### Service and competence providers

- Bitreactive AS
- CPS AS
- Force Technology Norway AS (Trondheim)
- Kodeworks Trondheim AS
- Inventas AS
- Minoko Design AS

#### ASIC<sup>1</sup>/IP<sup>2</sup> development and sales

- Arm Norway AS
- Edatek AS
- Microchip Technology Norway AS
- Midcom Trondheim AS
- Nordic Semiconductor ASA
- Novelda AS avd. Trondheim
- Skaland PCB Design AS
- Verranto AS

#### Direct application of integrated circuits

- Norwegian Creations AS
- Scandinavian Tooling & Production AS
- STP Technology AS
- Tecneq Electronics AS
- Zolve AS

Source: Impelloanalysen 2021, Innovation Norway, Proff Forvalt

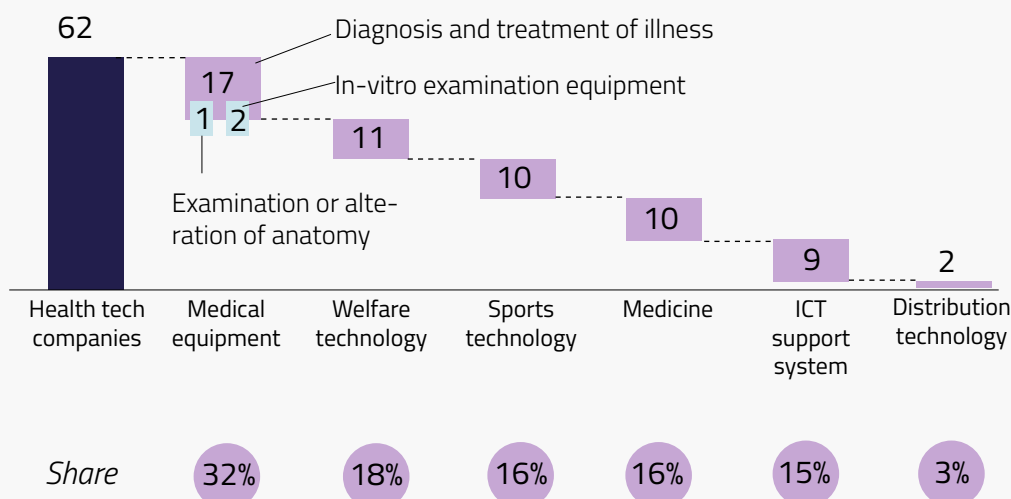
1. Application-specific integrated circuit  
2. Intellectual property

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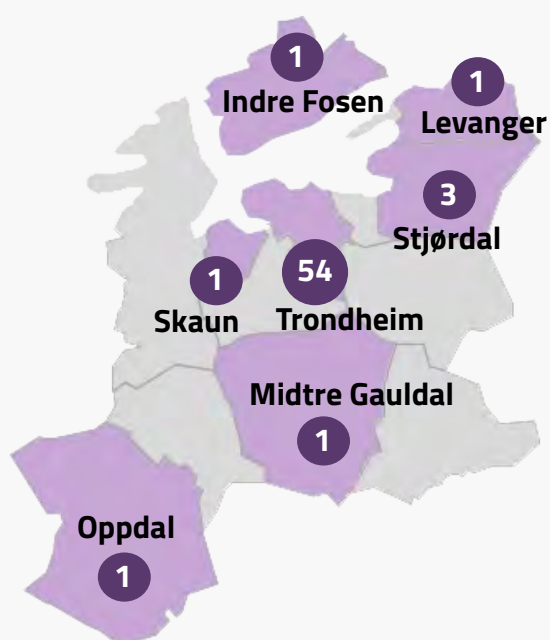


# 62 health tech companies in Trøndelag in 2022

62 health tech companies in Trøndelag in 2022  
(Number of companies in Trøndelag within each sub segment )



**~90% of companies are located in Trondheim**



27

of 62 companies have origin from NTNU, Helse Midt Norge or SINTEF

175

bn. NOK of funded RCN projects on-going for the identified companies

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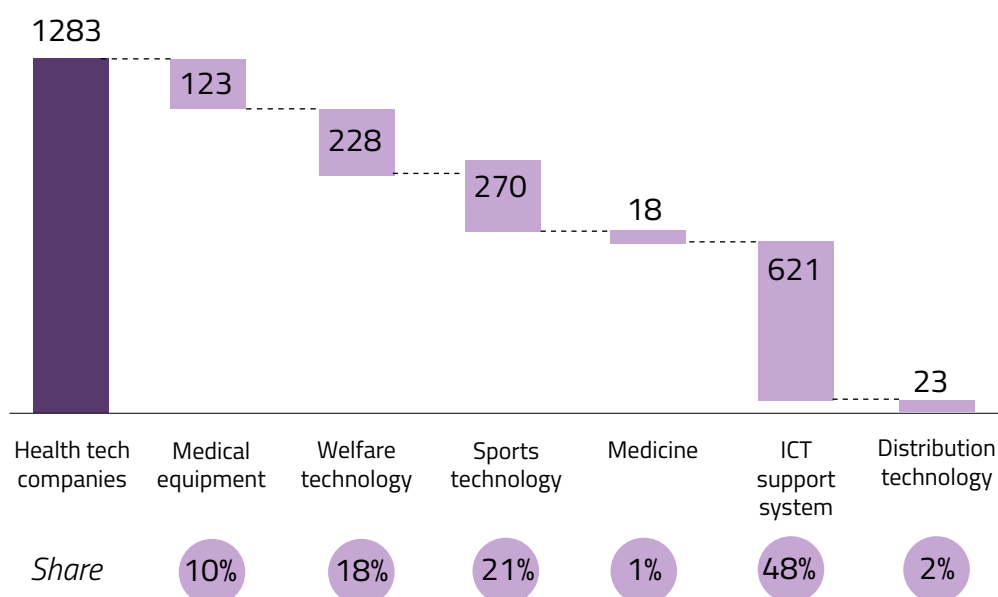
# 1 288 employees in the 62 identified health tech companies in Trøndelag

## Top 20 employers

| Company                   | Sector                                | Number of employees |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Helseplattformen AS       | ICT support system                    | 328                 |
| Sportradar AS             | Sports technology                     | 183                 |
| Safetec Nordic AS         | ICT support system                    | 121                 |
| CTM Lyng AS               | Welfare technology                    | 89                  |
| Elotek AS                 | Welfare technologyw                   | 82                  |
| WTW AS                    | ICT support system                    | 56                  |
| Myworkout AS              | Sports technology                     | 42                  |
| Norsk helseinformatikk AS | ICT support system                    | 36                  |
| DIPS AS (Trondheim)       | ICT support system                    | 33                  |
| Checkware AS              | ICT support system                    | 29                  |
| Linglt AS                 | Welfare technology                    | 23                  |
| VitalThings AS            | Medical equipment/ welfare technology | 23                  |
| Aviant AS                 | Distribution                          | 19                  |
| Exceline AS               | ICT support system                    | 15                  |
| Initial Force AS          | Sports technology                     | 13                  |
| Mode sensors AS           | Medical equipment                     | 12                  |
| Picterus AS               | Medical equipment                     | 12                  |
| Extend AS                 | ICT support system                    | 12                  |
| Quality Care AS           | ICT support system                    | 12                  |
| Rest                      |                                       | 148                 |
| <b>Total</b>              |                                       | <b>1 288</b>        |

## Providers of ICT support systems employ ~50% of total number of employees

Number of employees in June 2022<sup>1</sup>



Source: Impelloanalysen 2021, Proff Forvalt

1. Number of employees is obtained from Proff Forvalt. Proff Forvalt obtain numbers from SSB, and the numbers represent a snap shot of the workforce for the actual month.

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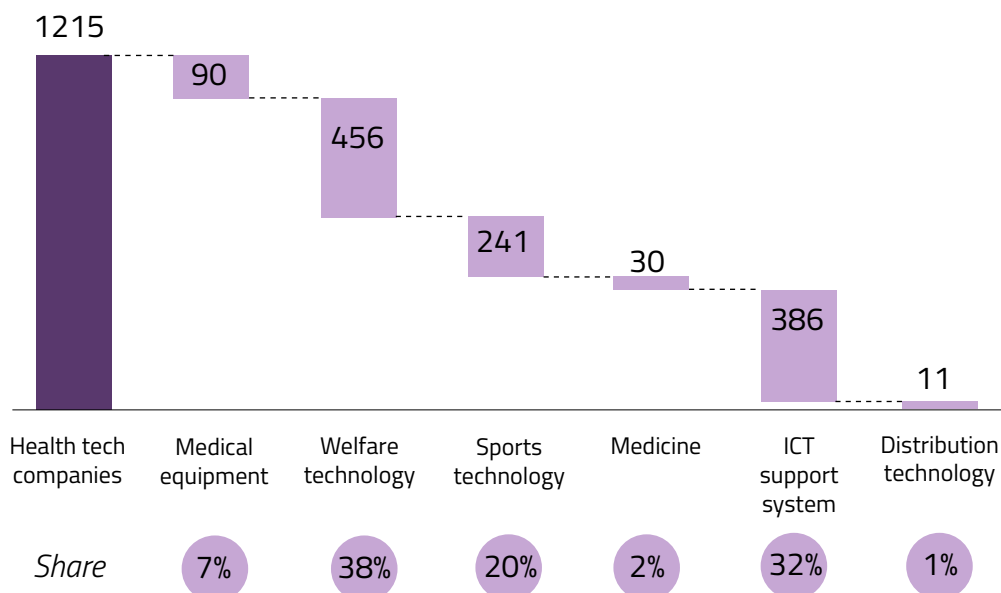
## Total revenue of 1 215 bn NOK for the 62 identified health tech companies

### Top 20 earners

| Company                   | Sector             | Revenue 2020 (bn NOK) |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Elotek AS                 | Welfare technology | 172                   |
| CTM Lyng AS               | Welfare technology | 166                   |
| Sportradar AS             | Sports technology  | 155                   |
| Safetec Nordic AS         | ICT support system | 147                   |
| WTW AS                    | ICT support system | 67                    |
| Norsk helseinformatikk AS | ICT support system | 67                    |
| LingIt AS                 | Welfare technology | 55                    |
| Checkware AS              | ICT support system | 40                    |
| DIPS AS (Trondheim)       | ICT support system | 36                    |
| Quality Care AS           | ICT support system | 31                    |
| Myworkout AS              | Sports technology  | 28                    |
| Exceline AS               | ICT support system | 26                    |
| Vitacon AS                | Medical equipment  | 23                    |
| Extend AS                 | ICT support system | 20                    |
| Braillo Norway AS         | Welfare technology | 20                    |
| Initial Force AS          | Sports technology  | 18                    |
| Lybe Scientific AS        | Medicine           | 15                    |
| Epion AS                  | Distribution       | 11                    |
| Chiron pharmasynth AS     | Medicine           | 11                    |
| Rest                      |                    | 96                    |
| <b>Total (bn NOK)</b>     |                    | <b>1 215</b>          |

### Providers of welfare technology constitute ~40% of total revenue

Total revenue 2020 [bn NOK]



Source: Impelloanalysen 2021, Proff Forvalt.

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# Overview of all companies

## Providers of medical equipment

| Company                                 | Location  | Est. | Product/service/solution                                                                                                                            | Number of employees | Revenue (2020 MNOK) |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Aurotech ultra-sound AS avd. Trondheim  | Trondheim | 2007 | Digital signal-processing ultrasound technology and modules to ODM (Original Design Manufacturing) or license partners                              | 9                   | 10 503              |
| Bulbitech AS                            | Trondheim | 2005 | Device that can perform multiple rapid neuro-ophthalmic eye examination tests                                                                       | 4                   | 2 451               |
| Cardiomech AS                           | Trondheim | 2015 | Catheter-based mitral valve repair technology designed to treat patients suffering from moderate to severe symptomatic DMR due to prolapse or flail | 3                   | 0                   |
| CIMON MEDICAL AS                        | Trondheim | 2019 | Doppler ultrasound technology for continuous direct monitoring of blood-flow                                                                        | 8                   | 275                 |
| GE Vingmed ultrasound AS avd. Trondheim | Trondheim | 2007 | Cardiovascular and hand-held ultrasound technology                                                                                                  | 4                   | 7 779               |
| Infiniwell AS                           | Trondheim | 2018 | AI-powered diagnostic tools, technology and processes                                                                                               | 4                   | 2 571               |
| LYBE SCIENTIFIC AS                      | Trondheim | 2021 | Nanoparticle-based nucleic acid extraction for life science and diagnostics                                                                         | 8                   | 14 977              |
| Mode sensors AS                         | Trondheim | 2016 | Wearable patch designed to support physicians in managing fluid in patients with fluid management problems                                          | 12                  | 8 794               |
| Nisonic AS                              | Trondheim | 2017 | Products for non-invasive detection of intracranial pressure (ICP) using ultrasound imaging and machine learning                                    | 1                   | 5 482               |
| Nordiq products AS                      | Stjørdal  | 2017 | Sensor monitoring vital signs in any situation and operational environment                                                                          | 2                   | 131                 |
| Ortodent AS                             | Trondheim | 2005 | Developing, manufacturing and distributing quality products in the oral care segment                                                                | 0                   | 904                 |
| Palion Medical AS                       | Trondheim | 2019 | Image guided instrument that enables navigation of non-navigable working instruments                                                                | 1                   | 185                 |

## Providers of medical equipment (continued)

| Company            | Location  | Est. | Product/service/solution                                                   | Number of employees | Revenue (2020 MNOK) |
|--------------------|-----------|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Picterus AS        | Trondheim | 2015 | Smartphone-based monitoring of jaundice in newborns                        | 12                  | 306                 |
| Sonoclear AS       | Trondheim | 2016 | Acoustic coupling fluid that reduces image artefacts in ultrasound imaging | 6                   | 1 537               |
| Superego AS        | Trondheim | 2014 | Digital mental health care                                                 | 6                   | 4 275               |
| Surf technology AS | Trondheim | 2010 | Ultrasound technology for medical imaging purposes                         | 7                   | 3 479               |
| Vitacon AS         | Trondheim | 2005 | Ultrasound bladder scanning technology                                     | 5                   | 22 549              |
| VitalThings AS     | Trondheim | 2017 | Contactless patient monitor                                                | 23                  | 2 806               |
| Vitroscope AS      | Trondheim | 2019 | Integrated microenvironment control for live cell microscopy               | 4                   | 850                 |
| YATEK SOLUTIONS AS | Stjørdal  | 2021 | Social anxiety treatment using VR exposure therapy and AR                  | 4                   | 10 503              |

## Providers of welfare technology

| Company            | Location  | Est. | Product/service/solution                                                                | Number of employees | Revenue (2020 MNOK) |
|--------------------|-----------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Assitech AS        | Trondheim | 2014 | Stair aid for elderly and people with disabilities                                      | 6                   | 7 083               |
| AudioPlus AS       | Støren    | 2018 | Services and products within hearing rehabilitation and hearing protection              | 7                   | 2 588               |
| Avia technology AS | Trondheim | 2015 | Security alarm for elderly                                                              | 0                   | 70                  |
| BRAILLO NORWAY AS  | Stjørdal  | 1980 | Braille printers/embrossers (impact printer that renders text as tactile braille cells) | 9                   | 20 346              |
| CTM Lyng AS        | Vanvikan  | 1985 | Security and welfare technology for homes                                               | 89                  | 165 506             |
| Elotek AS          | Oppdal    | 1992 | Wireless monitoring of vital signs for welfare market                                   | 82                  | 172 302             |
| LingIt AS          | Trondheim | 2001 | E-learning tool for people with dyslexia                                                | 23                  | 55 259              |
| Mindfit AS         | Trondheim | 2014 | Self-help mobile application                                                            | 0                   | 48                  |
| PPM Robotics AS    | Trondheim | 2000 | Robotics for use in hospitals and nursing homes                                         | 5                   | 2 410               |
| Quality Care AS    | Trondheim | 2005 | Bicycle for people with disabilities                                                    | 12                  | 31 052              |
| Safenode AS        | Trondheim | 2014 | Safety application for alarming rape/violence                                           | 0                   | 0                   |

## Providers of sports technology

| Company                | Location  | Est. | Product/service/solution                                                                                                | Number of employees | Revenue (2020 MNOK) |
|------------------------|-----------|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| APIIR AS               | Trondheim | 2020 | Mobile motion analysis tool                                                                                             | 3                   | 0                   |
| Enry AS                | Trondheim | 2018 | IT solutions for social training motivation                                                                             | 0                   | 12                  |
| Exceline AS            | Trondheim | 1998 | ERP and operative system for fitness centers                                                                            | 15                  | 26 144              |
| Initial Force AS       | Trondheim | 2006 | Video analysis tool for athletes                                                                                        | 13                  | 18 043              |
| Memento network AS     | Skaun     | 2016 | IT solutions for social training motivation                                                                             | 0                   | 1 173               |
| Myworkout AS           | Trondheim | 2013 | Health/ training application                                                                                            | 42                  | 28 455              |
| Pai Health Norway AS   | Trondheim | 2018 | Application that turns heart rate data into a personal score, showing users how much activity they need to stay healthy | 3                   | 8 210               |
| Sportradar AS          | Trondheim | 2001 | Data and technology to analyze sports data in several applications (betting, integrity, fan engagement)                 | 183                 | 155 119             |
| Steady (Goalkeeper AS) | Trondheim | 2018 | Technology enabling stores to encourage physical activity for their customers directly from storefront                  | 7                   | 1 461               |
| ZXY Sport Tracking AS  | Trondheim | 2002 | Automated system for tracking data which provides statistics and analysis in real-time                                  | 4                   | 2 868               |

## Providers of ICT support systems

| Company                    | Location  | Est. | Product/service/solution                                                                                       | Number of employees | Revenue (2020 MNOK) |
|----------------------------|-----------|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Checkware AS               | Trondheim | 2006 | Electronic health services that automize collection, validation and storage of data                            | 29                  | 39 664              |
| Norsk helse-informatikk AS | Trondheim | 1996 | Digitalization of «Pasienthåndboka»                                                                            | 36                  | 67 202              |
| Vivit AS                   | Trondheim | 2009 | Clinical text processing, clinical decision support, consulting and development services for the health sector | 1                   | 217                 |
| Extend                     | Trondheim | 1996 | Quality system for the health care sector                                                                      | 12                  | 20 380              |
| Safetec Nordic AS          | Trondheim | 2002 | Risk management system for the health care sector                                                              | 121                 | 146 814             |
| WTW AS                     | Trondheim | 2018 | Patient software                                                                                               | 56                  | 67 209              |
| Helseplatt-formen AS       | Trondheim | 2019 | Electronic patient journal                                                                                     | 328                 | 7 363               |
| DIPS AS avd. Trondheim     | Trondheim | 2007 | Electronic patient journal                                                                                     | 33                  | 35 695              |

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Note: The overview includes companies with registered head quarter or subdivision in Trøndelag (as registered in Brønnøysundregistrene).

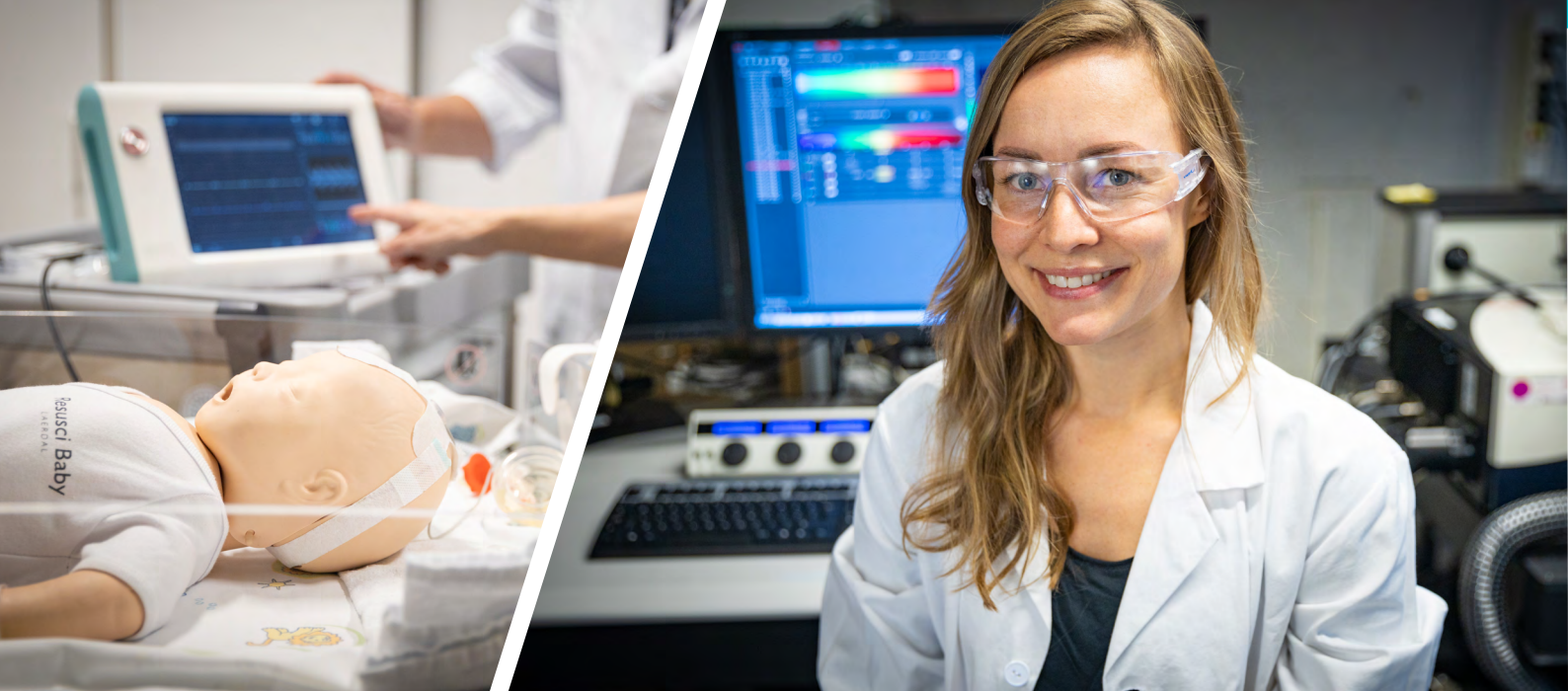
## Providers of medicines

| Company                            | Location  | Est. | Product/service/solution                                                                                                                    | Number of employees | Revenue (2020 MNOK) |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Advanced biopolymers AS            | Trondheim | 2001 | Production of high quality chitosan with a broad range of degrees of acetylation (DA), with focus on chitosan with DA between 0.25 and 0.60 | 0                   | 0                   |
| Apim therapeutics AS               | Trondheim | 2009 | Development of pipeline of peptide drugs that target PCNA-dependent stress responses in cancer cells                                        | 2                   | 0                   |
| Biosergen AS                       | Trondheim | 2004 | Development of new antifungal drugs for the treatment of severe invasive fungal infections                                                  | 0                   | 4 988               |
| Chiron pharma-synth AS             | Trondheim | 2001 | Manufacturer of chemical products for research and analysis                                                                                 | 1                   | 11 031              |
| Coegin Pharma AS                   | Trondheim | 2005 | Development of biotechnology for treatment of several diseases                                                                              | 3                   | 481                 |
| Geneseque AS                       | Trondheim | 2008 | Development of technology for DNA sequencing                                                                                                | 0                   | 905                 |
| Nordic Pharma Inc AS avd Trondheim | Trondheim | 2011 | Production of omega oils                                                                                                                    | 1                   | 7 227               |
| Norimun AS                         | Trondheim | 2014 | Development of immunoglobulin (IgY) for the pharmaceutical and feed marked                                                                  | 1                   | 1 052               |
| Vectron bio-solutions AS           | Trondheim | 2008 | Development of tailor-made expression vectors for proteins                                                                                  | 10                  | 4 148               |
| XPHAGE BIO-SOLUTIONS AS            | Trondheim | 2020 | Development of bacteriophages that solve unwanted microbial growth for industry and medicine                                                | 0                   | 0                   |

## Providers of distribution technology

| Company   | Location  | Est. | Product/service/solution                                                                                  | Number of employees | Revenue (2020 MNOK) |
|-----------|-----------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Aviant AS | Trondheim | 2020 | Full-stack drone services that enables autonomous and on-demand transport of cargo, such as blood samples | 19                  | 180                 |
| Epion AS  | Levanger  | 2014 | Specialized supplier of equipment to the primary health care system. Developed by doctors                 | 4                   | 11 298              |





## 4 R&D Community

Hospitals, universities and institutes with R&D activity related to health tech

### NTNU

NTNU has in total 55 research departments with a vast majority of research groups, many related to health tech. Also, health is one of NTNU's strategic research areas in the period 2014– 2023 (NTNU Health). The aim is to create innovative solutions to complex health challenges. NTNU has several different research centres associated with different affiliation. The largest and most relevant centres for health tech hosted at NTNU are:

- Center of Excellence Centre for Molecular Inflammation Research (SFF<sup>1</sup>)
- Centre for Neural Computation (SFF)
- Centre for Innovative Ultrasound Solutions (SFI2)
- Centre for AI innovations (SFI)
- Centre for Global Health Inequalities Research
- HUNT forskningscenter
- K.G. Jebsen-sentre
- Senter for helsefremmende forskning
- Nasjonalt kompetansesenter for psykisk helsearbeid (NAPHA)

### NORD University

Health, welfare and education is one of Nord University's four core strategic priority areas, and Nursing and Health Sciences is one of five faculties. NORD University has organized its R&D work at three levels at the faculty of Nursing and Health Sciences:

- Research groups: In total 14 groups related to topics as mental health, drug use and handling, clinical nursing, patient safety, and public health. Arena for researchers to discuss specific R&D topics and stimulate new R&D projects and applications.
- Topic groups: Facilitate research activities within faculty. Three topic groups; nursing, mental health work and pharmacy.
- Specific R&D projects: Three large, ongoing projects related to health and technology; CoreDIST (personalized physiotherapy treatment for MS patients), Innovatedignity (training leaders to deliver innovations in dignified care systems for older people), Rescuedoppler (ultrasound patch to monitor vital signs).



## SINTEF

SINTEF is a research organization with 2000 employees and HQ in Trondheim. Health and well-being is one of SINTEFs nine strategic priorities. SINTEF carries out research activities within a wide range of the health domain, including biotechnology, nanomedicine development, microsystems and sensor technologies, health care services, global health and medical technology.

SINTEF has had a long-term strategic collaboration with St. Olav's Hospital through the national competence service on Ultrasound and Image-Guided Treatment (USIGT 1996-2022). SINTEF is the largest Norwegian actor when it comes to EU research project volumes and project contract volumes for the Norwegian health industry, and hosts several health tech R&D centres, including:

- Industrial Biotechnology (SFI<sup>2</sup>)
- Gemini Center Health and Climate
- Health Services Research
- Medical Imaging Research and AI
- Smart, safe and sustainable health care
- Sepsis research

## St. Olavs hospital HF

Research is one of the four main tasks of St. Olav's hospital. The overall goal of the university hospital is good and safe patient care. The research must be based on clinically relevant issues. Furthermore, sufficient competence must be ensured in all parts of the university hospital. This takes place through collaboration with NTNU and other relevant institutions.

The research department (Fagavdelingen) has a strategic and coordinating responsibility for the areas of research, innovation and education within St. Olav's hospital. Fagavdelingen has extensive collaboration with hospital clinics and

external actors such as NTNU. Underlying units and infrastructure includes (see page 28-34 for more information):

- Biobank1
- Forskningsposten
- Nortrails, senter for medisinsk utstyr
- FoU-enhet for helse og arbeid i Midt-Norge
- Fremtidens operasjonsrom (FOR)
- Klinisk forskningsenhet Midt-Norge
- St. Olavs hospital FOR-Oppdragsforskning
- Helsefag og utdanning

Regionalt senter for helsetjenesteutvikling (RSHU) lies under Fagavdelingen.

## Helse Nord-Trøndelag HF

Helse Nord-Trøndelag HF consists of the two local hospitals Levanger and Namsos. Helse Nord-Trøndelag HF has its own Research Department which guides, advises and supports research. The department has strategic and coordinating responsibility for the areas of research, innovation and education. The department has extensive collaboration with Levanger and Namsos hospital's clinics and external actors such as NTNU.

The research department has a strategy plan for the period 2019-2024 emphasizing four priority areas:

- Research infrastructure and research management
- Implementation of research results in clinical practice
- Research dissemination
- Strategic research areas

Source: Actors websites.

1. Norwegian Centres of Excellence (Senter for fremragende forskning).
2. Centres for Research-based Innovation (SFI)

# Overview of all health tech related R&D infrastructure in Mid Norway

## R&D support

- Forskningsavdelingen Helse Nord-Trøndelag (HNT)
- Forskningsposten (St Olavs hospital)
- Klinisk forskingsenhet Midt-Norge (KLINFORSK)

## R&D centres

- HUNT Forskningscenter
- Biobank1 (Helse Midt Norge)
- Norwegian 7T MR Centre (NTNU)
- The Norwegian Brain Initiative (NTNU)
- Nortrial, senter for medisinsk utstyr (St Olavs hospital)

## Core facilities<sup>1</sup>

- Bioinformatics CF (BioCore)
- Cellular and molecular imaging CF (CMIC)
- Comparative Medicine CF (CoMed)
- Genomics (GCF) CF
- MR CF

- NeXt Move CF
- Proteomics and Modomics Experimental CF
- Viral Vector CF

## Special lab environments

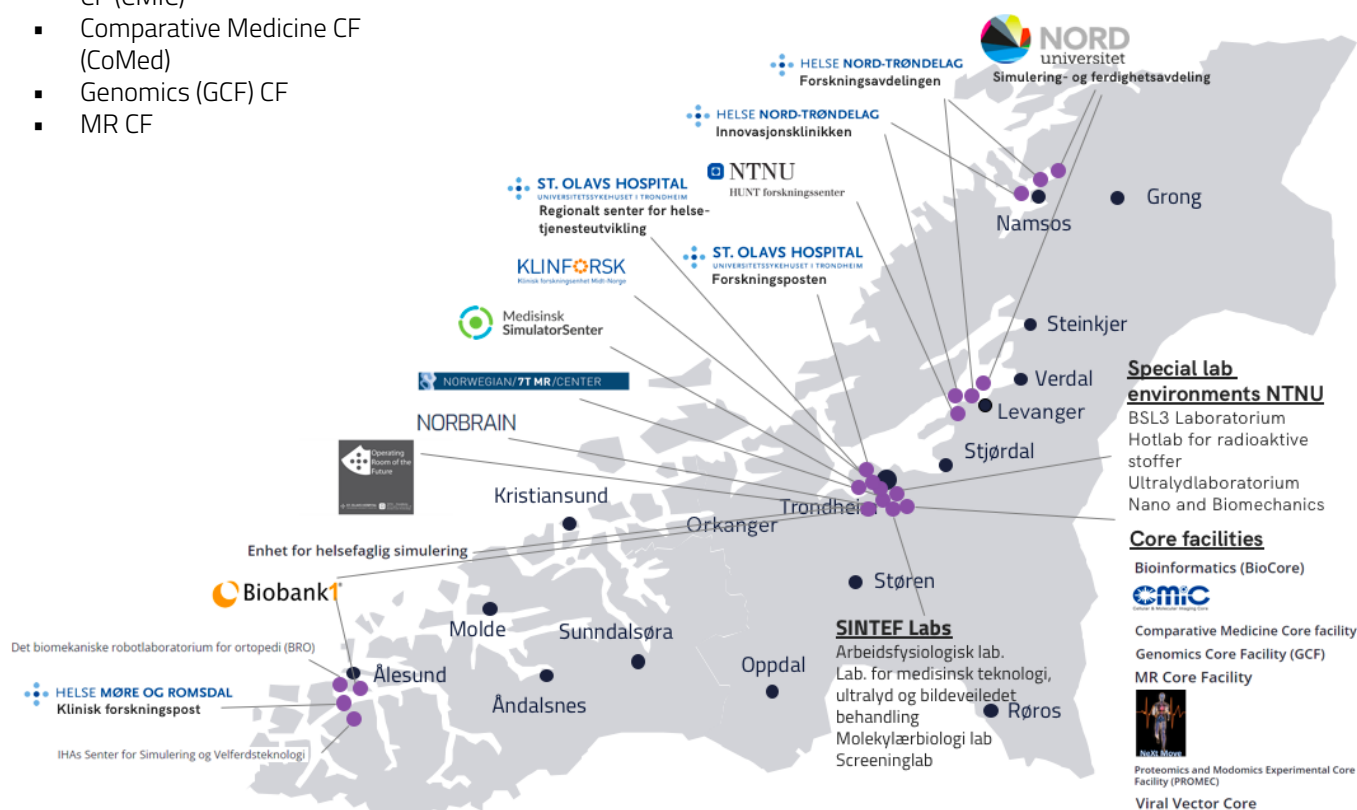
- BSL3 Laboratorium (NTNU)
- Hotlab for radioaktive stoffer (NTNU)
- Ultralydlaboratorium (NTNU)
- Nano and Biomechanics (NTNU)
- Arbeidsfysiologisk laboratorium (SINTEF)
- Laboratorium for medisinsk teknologi - ultralyd og bildeveiledet behandling (SINTEF)
- Molekylærbiologi lab (SINTEF)
- Screeninglaboratorium (SINTEF)
- Det biomekaniske robotlaboratorium for ortopedi (BRO)

## Innovation infrastructure/ laboratories

- Innovasjonsklinikken (HNT)
- Fremtidens operasjonsrom (NTNU, St Olavs hospital)
- Regionalt senter for helse-tjenesteutvikling (St Olavs hospital)

## Health related simulation and learning

- Simulerings- og ferdighetsavdeling, Nord universitet, campus Levanger og Namsos
- Enhet for helsefaglig simulering (NTNU)
- Medisinsk simulator-senter (St Olavs hospital)
- IHAs Senter for simulering og velferds-teknologi (NTNU)



Criteria used to identify relevant R&D infrastructure: The infrastructure must 1. be available for all types of users throughout the region 2. have a website with information for potential users 3. offer services or equipment beyond basic needs 4. be strategically anchored in a hospital, college, university or R&D institute in the region. Ordinary laboratories and teaching areas are not included. Special lab environments at NTNU and SINTEF are included as these can be used by external stakeholders.

1. The Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences and the Central Norway Regional Health Authority have organised several laboratories with advanced equipment and expertise into core facilities. These research facilities offer a necessary infrastructure connected to specialized expertise for regional, national and international researchers from research institutions and the industrial sector. Sources: Veikart for forsknings- innovasjons og utdanningsinfrastruktur i Midt-Norge (Regionalt infrastrukturvalg, juni 2022); Impello analysis; SINTEF

# Overview of all R&D infrastructure

## R&D support

| Infrastructure                                   | Location            | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Website              |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Forsknings-avdelingen Helse Nord-Trøndelag       | Levanger and Namsos | Helse Nord-Trøndelag's infrastructure for research support. Guides, gives advice and supports research and development work to employees and partners. All research projects to be carried out in Helse Nord-Trøndelag must be approved by the Data Access Committee (DAC) before start-up.                      | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Forsknings-posten St Olavs hospital              | Trondheim           | Offers research support in the implementation phase of clinical studies. Assist studies on both children and adults, and on healthy as well as sick subjects. The offer applies to hospitals in the region and NTNU. Also conduct contract research on behalf of industry, both testing of drugs and technology. | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Klinisk forsknings-enhet Midt-Norge (KLIN-FORSK) | Trondheim           | Offers research support for all phases of clinical studies for researchers at NTNU and the hospitals in Mid Norway. Main services are R&D support, data collection, monitoring, statistics, NORCRIN and ECRIN.                                                                                                   | <a href="#">Link</a> |

## R&D centres

| Infrastructure                            | Location               | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Website              |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| HUNT Forsknings-senter                    | Levanger and Trondheim | Research project that includes health information and biological material from the inhabitants of the northern part of Trøndelag. HUNT is also a research center that manages and conducts research on the HUNT material, with a biobank and data bank that offers services for researchers in the storage, processing and delivery of research material.                                                                                                                                                                        | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| BioBank1 Helse Midt-Norge                 | Trondheim              | Central Norway's clinical research biobank. Biobank1 has the responsibility of collecting, storing and using biological material from patients in the health region when the purpose is research. Biobank1's services are consulting, sample/data management, storage facilities, research, innovation and education.                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Norwegian 7T MR Centre, NTNU              | Trondheim              | National infrastructure for neuroscience research. The purpose is to provide researchers with tools for mapping the structure-function relationship in the brain.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| The Norwegian Brain Initiative NTNU,      | Trondheim              | Enables research that can map neural mechanisms for behavior and provide insight into the neural codes in the brain.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Nortrials, senter for medisinsk teknologi | Trondheim              | NorTrials is a partnership between the regional health authorities and the organizations for the pharmaceutical (LMI) and medical equipment (Melanor) industries, established on assignment from the Ministry of Health and Care Services. The purpose is to make Norway a preferred country for clinical trials on drugs and medical equipment and thus give Norwegian patients increased access to new treatment methods through participation in clinical trials. At St. Olavs hospital the focus will be medical technology. | <a href="#">Link</a> |

## Core facilities

| Infrastructure                        | Location  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Website              |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Bioinformatics (BioCore)              | Trondheim | Offers support for bioinformatics analyses (collecting or generating large amounts of complex biological data, and then analyzing them with advanced methods).                                                                      | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Cellular and molecular imaging (CMIC) | Trondheim | Offers instruments and expertise to capture images of biological processes at the tissue level (histology) down to the cellular and ultrastructural level (single proteins).                                                        | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Comparative Medicine (CoMed)          | Trondheim | Experimental animal department, consisting of 5 sub-departments: breeding department, SPF department, quarantine department, I3 department and large animal department.                                                             | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Genomics (GCF)                        | Trondheim | Offers competence and technology for use in genome analyses. "Next generation sequencing" (NGS) is the most relevant technology.                                                                                                    | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| MR                                    | Trondheim | Offers expertise and access to various instrumentation (mainly MRI) for structural, functional and molecular imaging in humans and animals as well as metabolomics analyzes of tissue samples, cell cultures and biological fluids. | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| NeXt Move                             | Trondheim | Offers equipment and expertise for carrying out research analysis tools within neurophysiology, exercise physiology, movement and elite sports research.                                                                            | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Proteomics and Modomics Experimental  | Trondheim | Offers services within protein analysis (proteomics) and analysis of nucleic acid modifications (DNA/RNA modomics).                                                                                                                 | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Viral Vector                          | Trondheim | Offers expertise to produce tailor-made viruses for research purposes. The viruses are primarily used in brain research but are also relevant for other biological and medical fields.                                              | <a href="#">Link</a> |

## Health related simulation and learning

| Infrastructure                                           | Location  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Website              |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Simulerings- og ferdighets-avdeling Helse Nord Trøndelag | Levanger  | Department with 24 beds that is fully equipped. Two of the beds are reserved for medical simulation. The department is designed for learning in higher education, and the teaching methods are learning through handling realistic clinical situations in the form of simulation and skills training. | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Simulerings- og ferdighetsavdeling Helse Nord Trøndelag  | Namsos    | Department with 20 beds that is fully equipped. The department is designed for learning in higher education, and the teaching methods are learning through handling realistic clinical situations in the form of simulation and skills training.                                                      | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Enhet for helse-faglig simulering, NTNU                  | Trondheim | Facilitates learning in higher education through student and participant-active forms of learning. The learning forms consist of full-scale simulation exercises, skills and procedure training, RQI (Resuscitation Quality Improvement) and VR (Virtual reality).                                    | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Medisinsk simulator-senter, St. Olavs hospital           | Trondheim | Norway's first full-scale simulation centre. The center is run through a collaboration between St. Olav's hospital, the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences NTNU and Helse Midt-Norge.                                                                                                            | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| IHAs Senter for simulering og velferds-teknologi, NTNU   | Ålesund   | The Department of Health Sciences in Ålesund has two practice departments with four simulator rooms for full-scale simulations, and a number of advanced patient simulators for the entire life course. There are also facilities for the systematic collection of sound and image data.              | <a href="#">Link</a> |

## Innovation infrastructure

| Infrastructure                                                             | Location                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Website              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Innovasjons-<br>klinikken<br>Helse Nord<br>Trøndelag                       | Levanger<br>and<br>Namsos | Helse Nord Trøndelag's infrastructure for innovation and development work. Network of expertise and resources that initiate, coordinate or assist when innovation and development work must take place in collaboration with users, employees, industry players and municipalities in the health organisation's catchment area. | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Fremtidens<br>operasjonsrom,<br>St. Olavs Hospital,<br>NTNU                | Trondheim                 | Facilitates research and development in the surgical fields with a focus on minimally invasive image-guided patient treatment and medical technology. Collaboration between St. Olav's hospital and NTNU.                                                                                                                       | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Regionalt senter<br>for helsetjeneste-<br>utvikling, St. Olavs<br>Hospital | Trondheim                 | Part of the specialist department (Fagavdelingen) at St Olavs hospital and works with service innovation, logistics, resource utilization and health economic analyses.                                                                                                                                                         | <a href="#">Link</a> |

## Special lab environments

| Infrastructure                                                                            | Location  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Website              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| BSL3<br>Laboratorium                                                                      | Trondheim | Two BSL3 laboratories (second highest safety class for biological material) at NTNU.                                                                                                                                                                   |                      |
| Hotlab for radio-<br>aktive stoffer                                                       | Trondheim | Hotlab for radioactive substances at NTNU.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |
| Ultralyd-<br>laboratorium                                                                 | Trondheim | Laboratory with high-end clinically approved ultrasound machines at ISB, NTNU.                                                                                                                                                                         | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Nano and Bio-<br>mechanics<br>division                                                    | Trondheim | NTNU laboratory for simulation and development of technologies for non-invasive diagnosis and surgical procedures, and for mechanical characterization and modeling of biological materials and tissues at all scales.                                 | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Arbeidsfysiologisk<br>laboratorium                                                        | Trondheim | SINTEF Laboratory with main task to contribute to new research results for the benefit of industry, business and the health sector. The laboratory offers opportunities for testing people in extreme environments (heat, cold, wind).                 | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Laboratorium for<br>medisinsk tek-<br>nologi - ultralyd<br>og bildeveiledet<br>behandling | Trondheim | SINTEF med tech laboratory with main task to contribute to new research results for the benefit of the health sector, public health services, authorities, industry and business.                                                                      | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Molekylærbiologi<br>lab                                                                   | Trondheim | SINTEF laboratory with equipment for molecular biology activity.                                                                                                                                                                                       | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Screening-<br>laboratorium                                                                | Trondheim | SINTEF laboratory for laboratory automation and screening of biological samples.                                                                                                                                                                       | <a href="#">Link</a> |
| Det biomekaniske<br>robotlaboratori-<br>um for ortopedi<br>(BRO)                          | Ålesund   | Collaboration between Ålesund Hospital and NTNU, Campus Ålesund. The infrastructure is the only one in Scandinavia, and one of two in Europe. Orthopedic doctors from the hospital and engineers from NTNU work interdisciplinary to develop the unit. |                      |

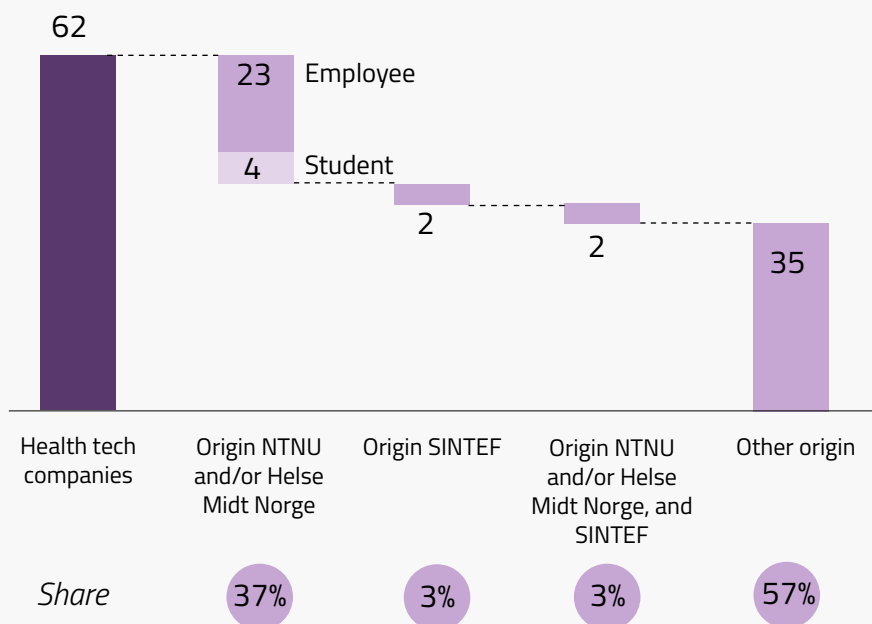
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## 43% of the identified companies have origin from the research institutions NTNU, Helse Midt Norge or SINTEF

**37% have origin from NTNU and/or Helse Midt Norge, 3% from SINTEF and 3% from both**

Number of companies in Trøndelag with origin from NTNU, Helse Midt Norge and SINTEF



*Origin from NTNU and/or Helse Midt Norge, or SINTEF means that the entrepreneur(s) of the company was an employee or student at NTNU and/or Helse Midt Norge, or SINTEF at the company founding date, and submitted a Disclosure of Innovation (DOFI) to NTNU Technology Transfer or SINTEF TTO<sup>1</sup>*

### Origin from NTNU and/or Helse Midt Norge



### Origin from SINTEF



Source: Impelloanalysen 2021; Proff Forvalt

1. The reason why we can't split between NTNU and Helse Midt Norge is that NTNU Technology Transfer has the commercialization mandate for both these institutions. Also, most of the entrepreneurs have relations both to NTNU and Helse Midt Norge, for instance through shared positions.

## Of the 62 identified health tech companies, 18 companies have on-going RCN funded R&D projects of 175 MNOK

| Company                 | Project title                                                                                                                           | NFR program                        | Period    | Amount (MNOK) |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Apiir AS                | Professional motion analyses in a condensed and scalable mobile plattform                                                               | FORNY2020                          | 2021-2022 | 1.0           |
| Aviant AS               | Drone transport between hospitals                                                                                                       | FORNY2020                          | 2021-2022 | 1.0           |
| Biosergen AS            | Nanoformulated anti-fungals                                                                                                             | NANO2021                           | 2020-2023 | 9.3           |
| Bulbitech               | A suite for automated eye examination tests to rapidly screen for neuro-ophthalmic disorders                                            | PES-Horisont EU                    | 2021-2022 | 0.8           |
|                         | BulbiEYE – One device, a suite of ophthalmological and neurological tests                                                               | BIA                                | 2021-2023 | 14.2          |
| Chiron Pharmasynth AS   | Developing a rapid reference material production and scale-up platform for global cannabinoid drug detection service                    | PES-Horisont EU                    | 2022-2022 | 0.1           |
|                         | Development of scale-up and proactive platform for forensic toxicology in the NPS market                                                | EUROSTARS                          | 2019-2022 | 4.8           |
| Cimon Medical AS        | RescueDoppler – a disruptive ultrasound solution for improved outcome after cardiac arrest                                              | BIA                                | 2022-2025 | 16.0          |
| Coegin Pharma AS        | A novel, targeted, therapeutic intervention approach in cancer patients selectively overexpressing the cPLA2a enzyme                    | Næringsphd                         | 2020-2023 | 2.3           |
| Lybe Scientific AS      | Market validation of new sample preparation solutions for clinical diagnostic purposes                                                  | FORNY2020                          | 2021-2022 | 5.0           |
|                         | Nanoparticle-based diagnostic solutions                                                                                                 | NANO2021                           | 2021-2024 | 14.6          |
| Mode Sensors AS         | Utvikle og verifisere en sikkerhetsarkitektur for tilkoblet medisinsk utstyr for kontinuerlig hyderingsmonitorering                     | IKT-pluss                          | 2022      | 0.2           |
|                         | Fluid monitoring for heart failure patients                                                                                             | BIA                                | 2020-2023 | 14.2          |
| MyWorkout AS            | Myworkout GO som Medical Device. Digital treningsstøtte som medisin for personer med Multipel sklerose og Parkinson sykdom              | Innovasjonsprosjekt i næringslivet | 2023-?    | 16.0          |
|                         | Trening med høy intensitet: Videreutvikling av trening som medisin og forebygging av livsstilssykdommer                                 | Næringsphd                         | 2021-2024 | 2.1           |
|                         | Trening som medisin: Effektiv styrke og utholdenhetstrening som behandling for personer med inflammatorisk revmatisk sykdom             | Næringsphd                         | 2019-2022 | 2.0           |
|                         | Digital trening som medisin                                                                                                             | BIA                                | 2019-2022 | 12.0          |
| Nordiq Products AS      | Robust and ultra-portable vital signs multi-monitor Life Saver [LiSa]                                                                   | Innovasjonsprosjekt i næringslivet | 2023-?    | 11.2          |
|                         | PES for Nordiq Products' LiSa Accelerator                                                                                               | PES-Horisont EU                    | 2021-2022 | 0.8           |
| PPM Robotics AS         | Mobiliseringsstøtte til å initiere FoU-samarbeid med Japan og Korea innen robotisering av eldreomsorg                                   | Global bærekraft                   | 2022-2023 | 0.06          |
|                         | Multipurpose Service Robot for Nursing Homes                                                                                            | PES-Horisont EU                    | 2022      | 0.05          |
|                         | ZaSuYo                                                                                                                                  | Design Pilot                       | 2021-2022 | 0.5           |
| SonoClear               | UltraGel – Acoustic Coupling Gel for Ultrasound Imaging in Cardiac Surgery                                                              | BIA                                | 2021-2023 | 10.1          |
| Surf Technology AS      | MUNIN – Ultrasound detection, characterization, and treatment of (prostate) cancer                                                      | BIA                                | 2020-2023 | 15.9          |
| Vectron Biosolutions AS | Mikrobiell produksjon av terapeutiske antistofffragmenter                                                                               | BIA                                | 2019-2023 | 3.0           |
| VitalThings AS          | Sensor-based notification and alert system installed in each patient room enabling safe monitoring of psychiatric patients during night | Innovasjonsprosjekt i næringslivet | 2023-?    | 16.0          |
| Vitroscope AS           | PES Accelerator Vitroscope                                                                                                              | PES-Horisont EU                    | 2021-2022 | 0.8           |
| Yatek Solutions AS      | Yatek Multidirectional Treadmill for VR/AR Navigation                                                                                   | FORNY2020                          | 2021-2022 | 1.0           |
| <b>Total</b>            |                                                                                                                                         |                                    |           | <b>175</b>    |

Source: Impelloanalysen 2021; NFRs «Prosjektbanken»





# 5 Clusters, networks and forums

Overview of most relevant clusters, networks and forums working with issues related to health tech

| Name                       | Type    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|----------------------------|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Trøndelagsløftet           | Project | Project that shall assist all municipalities in Trøndelag to implement welfare technology services as an ordinary health and care service. Financed by Statsforvalteren.                             |
| Digi Trøndelag             | Program | Program that works as a bridge between municipalities and towards national joint projects regarding digital transformation. Runs and supports several projects within welfare and health technology. |
| Rundbordsdiskusjoner helse | Forum   | Trondheim Kommune has during 2022 arranged several discussion meetings with selected health tech companies and other stakeholders in the ecosystem with the goal of more cooperation.                |
| Fagråd Helse-teknologi     | Forum   | Forum for health tech companies and other stakeholders in the ecosystem under establishment by Trondheim kommune and Næringsforeningen.                                                              |



| Name                                            | Type        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Samarbeidsorganet                               | Forum       | An advisory body for matters within education, research and innovation related to health issues. Collaboration between Helse Midt-Norge RHF and universities and colleges in the region.                                                                                                                                                        |
| Norway Health Technology Cluster avd. Trondheim | Cluster     | Non-for-profit member organization with close to 270 members representing the full value chain of healthcare. Vision of making Norway the world's best arena for health innovation. Has a local representative for Trøndelag.                                                                                                                   |
| Trondheim Health and Sports Tech Incubator      | Incubator   | Company under foundation. The company is funded for a two year period, based on public and private capital. The project that leads to the establishment of the incubator, has a steering committee with representatives from NTNU, Norwegian Sport Tech, Trondheim kommune and Vital Things. Located with VitalThings in Dybdahlsgården.        |
| Mid-Norway Health Incubator                     | Incubator   | Under establishment / development of an independent health incubator by NTNU Health and will be placed at Øya.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| DRIV NTNU helseinnovasjonsarena                 | Lab         | Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences has established a student-run health innovation arena. Goal of bringing students, researchers, employees of and users of the health service, in addition to health tech developers closer together.                                                                                                     |
| Innovasjonsrådgivernettverket                   | Network     | Network consisting of innovation advisors located at the different hospitals, as well as representatives from Helseplattformen, Hemit and NTNU.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| TrønderNett                                     | Network     | R&D network for municipalities in Trøndelag, KS leads the network.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| HUB digital hjemmeoppfølging                    | Network     | Hub for digital monitoring at home. All innovation managers in all hospitals in Mid-Norway participate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Helseledernetverket i Trøndelag                 | Network     | The health leader network in Trøndelag Sørvest consists of the health leaders in eight municipalities, the municipalities' representatives in the professional councils in the health community, St Olavs, as well as the municipal chief physicians.                                                                                           |
| Helsefellesskapenes nettverk                    | Network     | Three levels: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Partnerskapsmøtet: Political and administrative top management in municipalities and hospitals</li> <li>Strategisk samarbeidsutvalg: Administrativ and professional management in municipalities and hospitals</li> <li>Faglig samarbeidsutvalg: Health professionals and users</li> </ul> |
| Trondheim Tech Port                             | Association | Member-based interest association for stakeholders in Trøndelag. Facilitator for innovation and technology, through projects, events and communication. Health is one of three specific sector focus areas.                                                                                                                                     |

Source: Interviews



# 6 Investors

Overview of all investors in Mid-Norway 2022  
(not only health tech investors)

## Project based funding

- NTNU Discovery
- Helse Midt Norge Innovasjonsmidler
- SINTEF Discovery (new)

## Pre seed / seed

- NTNU TTO
- 6AM Acceleator
- ÅKP
- CoFounder
- T:lab
- Tidligfasefondet
- Romsdal Innovasjon
- WeSeed (under establishment)

## Nationwide seed funds (Investor)

- Convento (Midvest)
- ProVenture Seed

## Venture funds

- Investinor
- SINTEF Venture

## Investment companies- and communities

- Viking Venture
- Salvesen & Thams
- PIR Invest
- Novela
- Reitan Kapital
- Bølgen Invest (under liquidation)
- Connect Midt-Norge (investment community)

## Plans / ambitions for investment activity / funds

- Tequity Cluster (fund)
- Startup Lab (expansion to Trondheim)

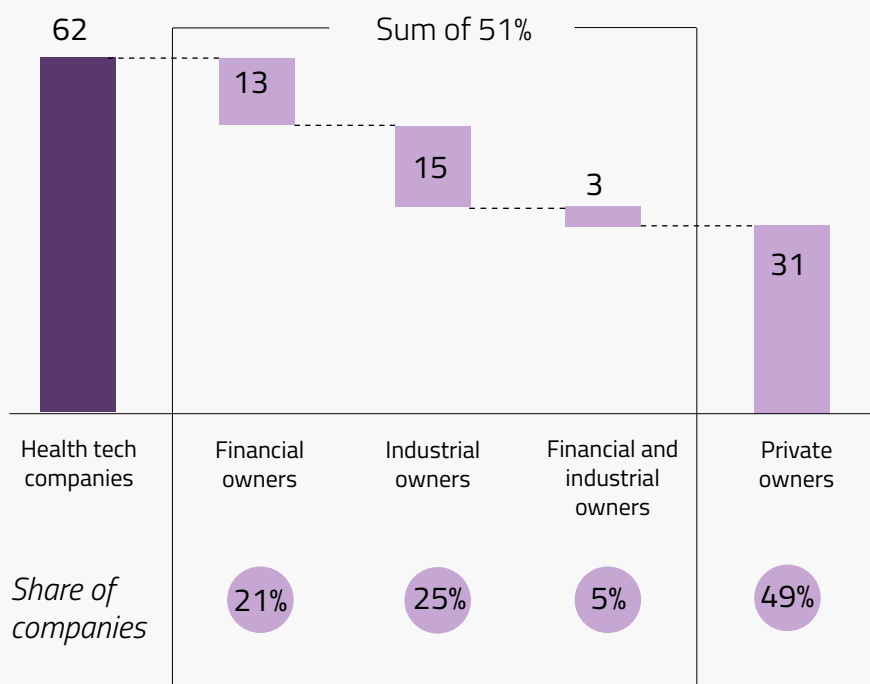
Note: Not only health tech investors  
Source: Impello analysis



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Number of companies in Trøndelag with financial, industrial or private ownership



"Professional owners" means industrial or financial owners who invest in companies with equity and competence to develop the companies through the seed and growth phases. Business angels are excluded from the analysis due to the high number of actors, as well as the difficulty of keeping track of different actors.

### Financial owners in identified companies (as of december 2021)

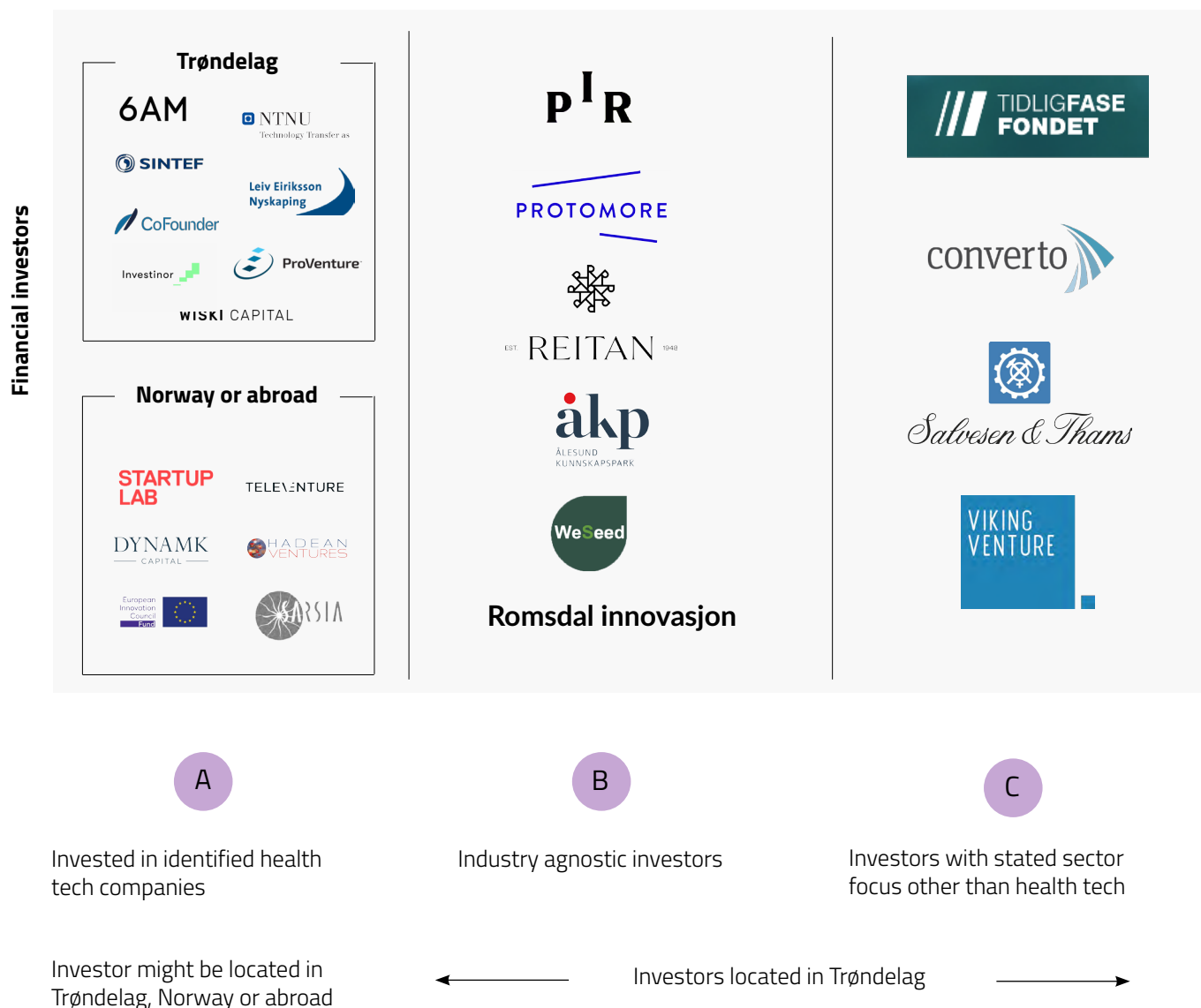


### Financial owners in identified companies (as of december 2021)



Source: Proff Forvalt; Impello analysis

## Overview of financial investors in Trøndelag – categorized by sector focus



**Column A**

Illustrates financial investors invested in the 62 identified companies on page 15.

A large proportion of the 62 identified companies are wholly or partly owned by employees, entrepreneurs, “friends and family”. These private investors are not included in the overview above.

The financial investors in column A are located in Trøndelag, Norway or abroad.

Of the professional, financial investors who have invested in the companies, many are focused on early phase (pre seed and seed).

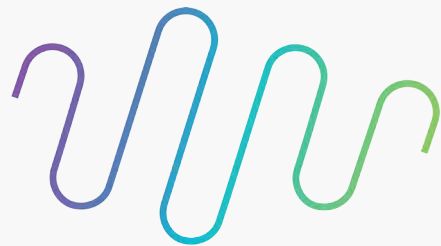
**Column B**

Illustrates financial investors in Trøndelag that are so-called «industry agnostic».

### Column C

Illustrates financial investors in Trøndelag with stated sector focus other than health tech.

Source: Proff Forvalt; Impello analysis



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