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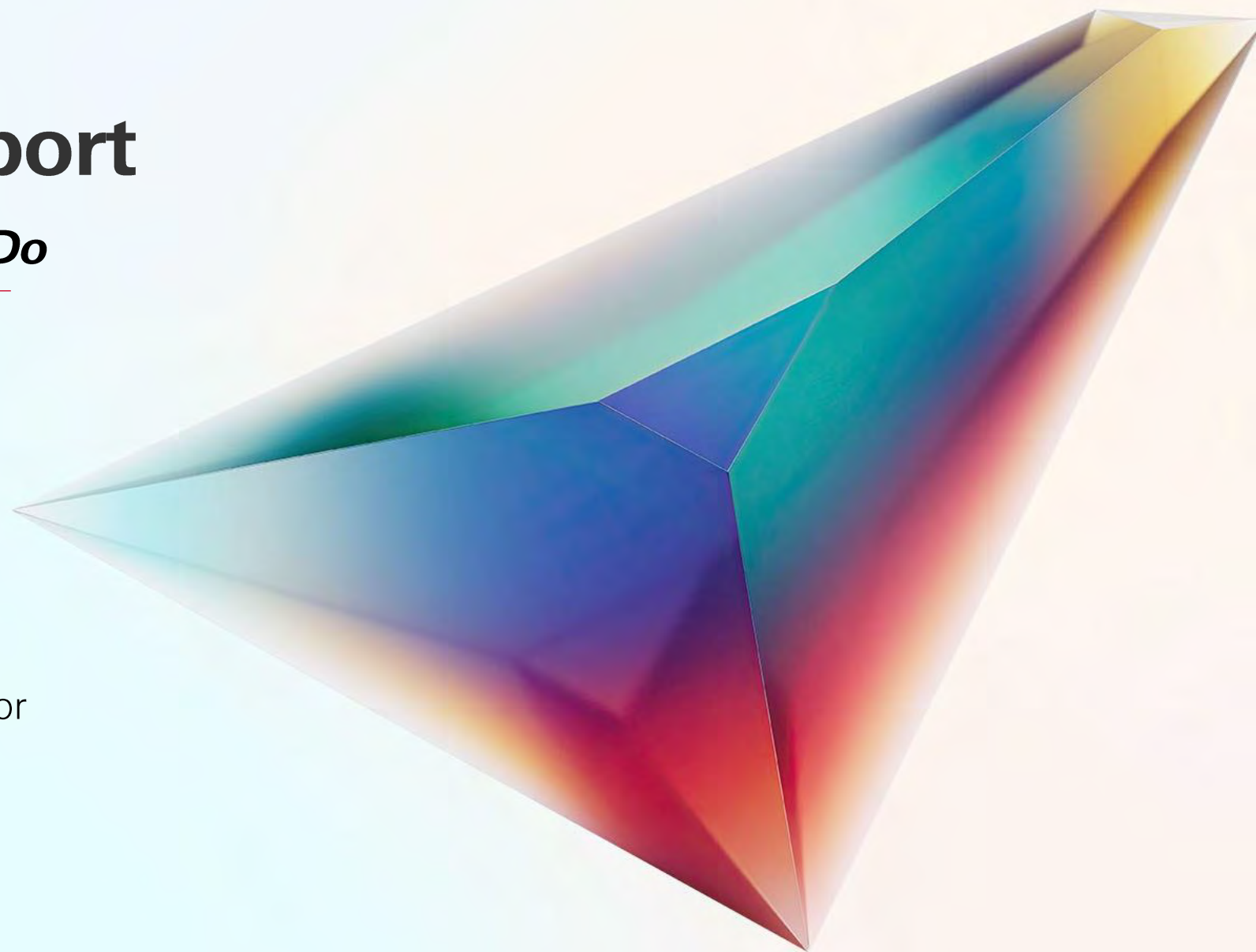
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HSBC Venture Healthcare Report: 2024 Recap

GENERAL OVERVIEW

After record investment and aggressive valuations from 2020 to mid-2022, public market struggles led venture firms to prioritize portfolio triage throughout 2023. By 2024, new deal activity resumed, but with a clear shift and investor focus. The challenges of securing follow-on financing, particularly Series B rounds, has dampened early-stage activity, resulting in fewer Seed and Series A deals. Investors have instead leaned towards larger syndications raising large early-stage rounds (including \$100M+ mega rounds) or have shifted their focus to later-stage, de-risked opportunities. Meanwhile, many companies that raised add-on or inside rounds¹ are now “on the clock”, facing pressure to secure new investor-led financing or risk consolidation or shutdown.



Biopharma

- **First-financing surge:** First-financing dollars more than doubled compared to 2023, despite fewer deals. Fourteen \$100M+ mega rounds accounted for 72% of total first-financing dollars.
- **Venture-created deals dominate:** Many first-financings were venture-created, focusing on teams with blank checks following big exits and deals in-licensing China assets.
- **Sector highlights:** Overall, investment rose 33%, driven by oncology and platform companies alongside significant growth in autoimmune, metabolic, and dermatology mega financings.
- **Crossover investors drive mega rounds:** Many of the 106 \$100M+ mega rounds in 2024 featured crossover investors at cycle-high valuations, positioning for large M&A or IPO activity.
- **M&A and IPO activity:** M&A saw a sharp increase, with 11 of 17 deals exceeding \$1B in total deal value. Eighteen IPOs were recorded, particularly active in Q1 and Q3, focusing on Phase I and Phase II assets. IPO performance was mixed, with the median post-IPO activity down 33%.



Med Device

- **First-financing struggles:** First-financing investment declined due to investors' concerns about finding Series B leads and an expanding private M&A exit timeline.
- **Sector-specific growth:** Neurology and NIM saw investment comebacks, while uro/gyn companies continued to attract increased funding.
- **Series B and insider activity:** Series B financings grew, with many achieving up rounds,² but inside round extensions in Series A also spiked.
- **Top deals dominate dollars:** The top 10% of deals captured 60% of all med device investment dollars, the highest dollar percentage across healthcare sectors, driven by large financings for commercial scale-ups and pivotal trials. Neuro, NIM and orthopedic indications led overall funding.
- **Cardiovascular and exits:** Cardiovascular led private M&A activity with five deals. While overall deal values declined from 2023, they remain higher than in previous years. Ceribell completed the sector's sole IPO, achieving a step-up valuation and strong aftermarket performance.



Healthtech

- **Early-stage decline, AI momentum:** Early-stage investment decreased compared to 2023 levels but maintained strong momentum in Artificial Intelligence (AI) applications, particularly within the clinical workflow subsector.
- **Investment normalization:** Healthtech investment dollars overall grew from 2023 levels, stabilizing at pre-banking crisis levels. However, Q4 saw a decline in activity as Investors awaited clarity on potential 2025 IPOs.
- **Focus on underserved groups:** Investment continued in companies targeting specialized care in underserved populations, including women's health, mental health, and senior care.
- **Valuation resets:** A high number of undisclosed rounds suggests valuation reset or insider-round extensions for many companies.
- **IPO anticipation:** A quiet IPO market kept high growth companies on hold, with several notable companies filing S-1's confidentially or waiting to test the market in 1H 2025.



Dx/Tools

- **First-financing slowdown:** First-financing activity dropped to a four-year low, driven by financing risk and a challenging exit environment.
- **Corporate investment rises:** With traditional VCs retreating, corporate investors stepped up, funding major deals focused on radiopharma, computational bio, and oncology-focused liquid biopsy.
- **Top-heavy investment:** Overall investment increased but remained concentrated, with the top 10% of deals capturing 48% of all dollars. Larger deals predominantly went to commercial-stage revenue-ramping companies, particularly those with \$100M+ revenues, at high valuations. Insider-round extensions highlighted the growing gap between haves and have-nots.
- **M&A and IPO activity:** M&A activity slowed as acquirers prioritized companies with revenue growth and near-term profitability. The sole 2024 IPO, Tempus, debuted with a \$5B public evaluation, nearly 50% below its 2022 private post-money valuation.

Venture Healthcare Overview

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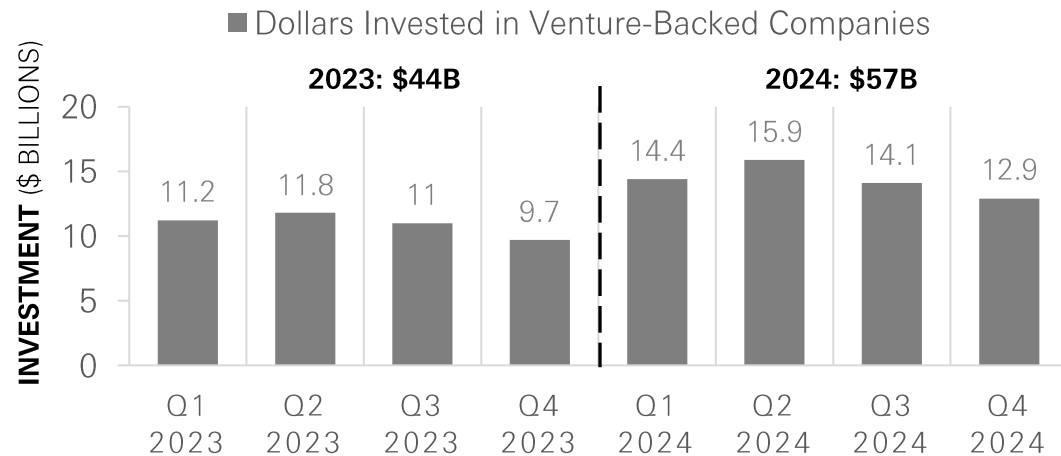
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Venture Capital ("VC") Investment in Healthcare

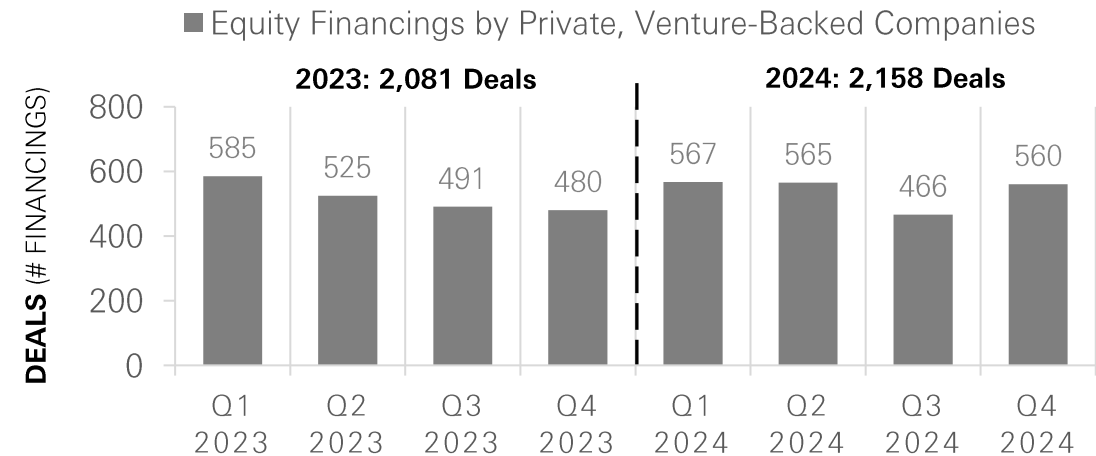
2023–2024 US & Europe

Investment in VC-backed healthcare companies rose in 2024; deals remained stable

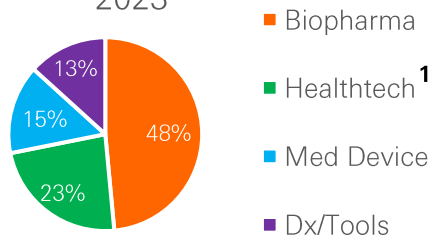
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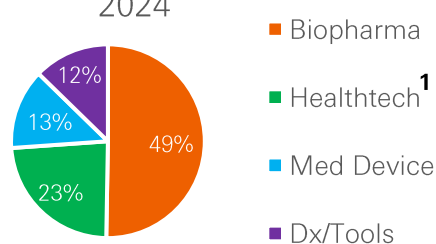
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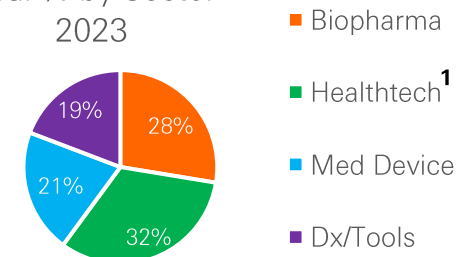
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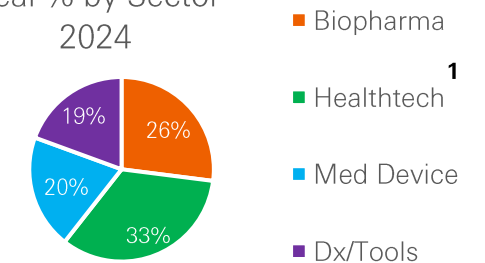
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Deal % by Sector
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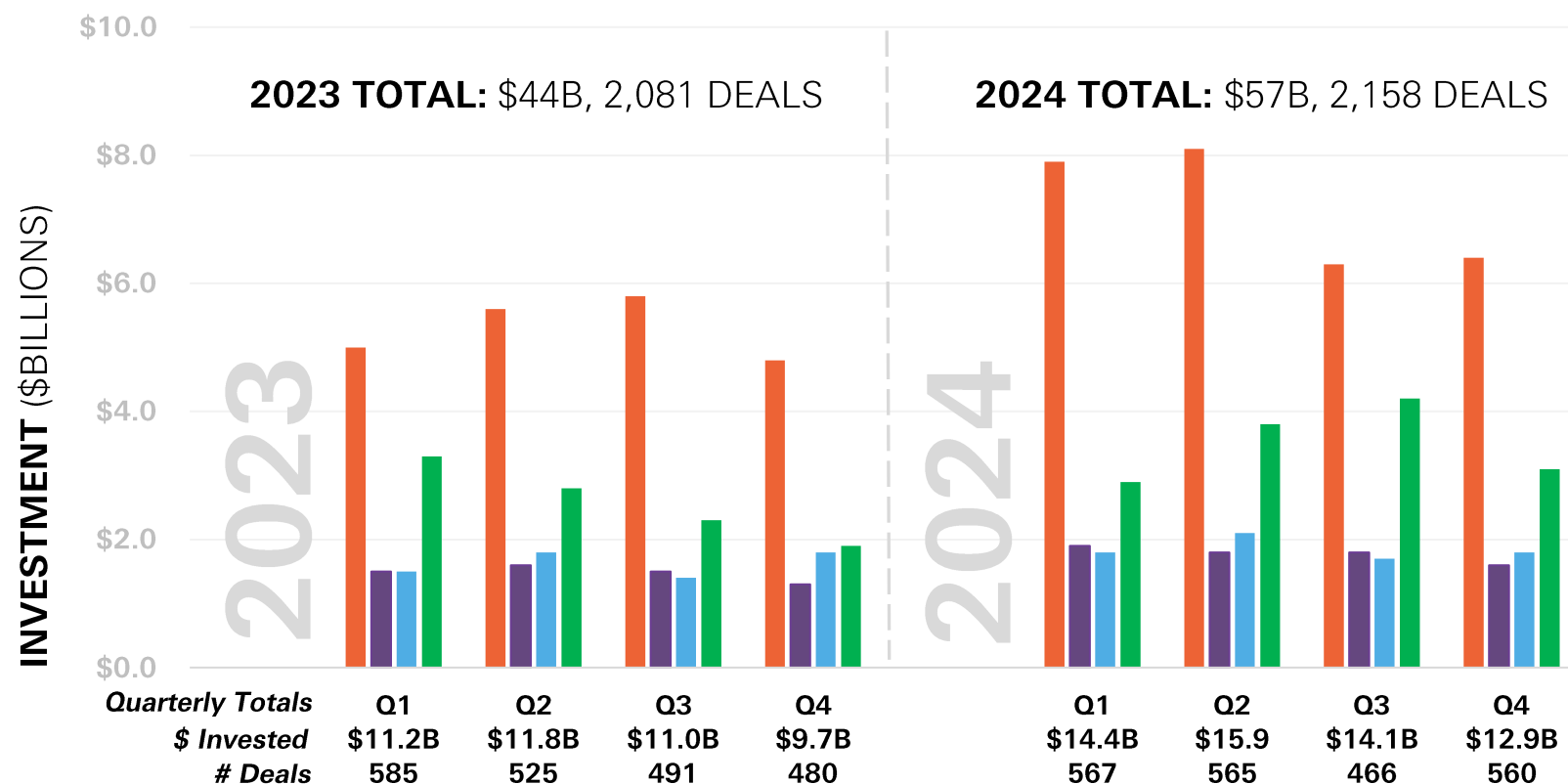
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Venture Capital Investment by Healthcare Sector 2023–2024 US & Europe

Investment increased in 2024, led by mega rounds and large syndicates



Biopharma



Dx/Tools



Med Device



Healthtech¹

2024 TOTAL
VS. PREVIOUS YEARS²

2023
+30%

2022
-12%

2021
-42%

2020
-2%

Investors return, funding larger deals

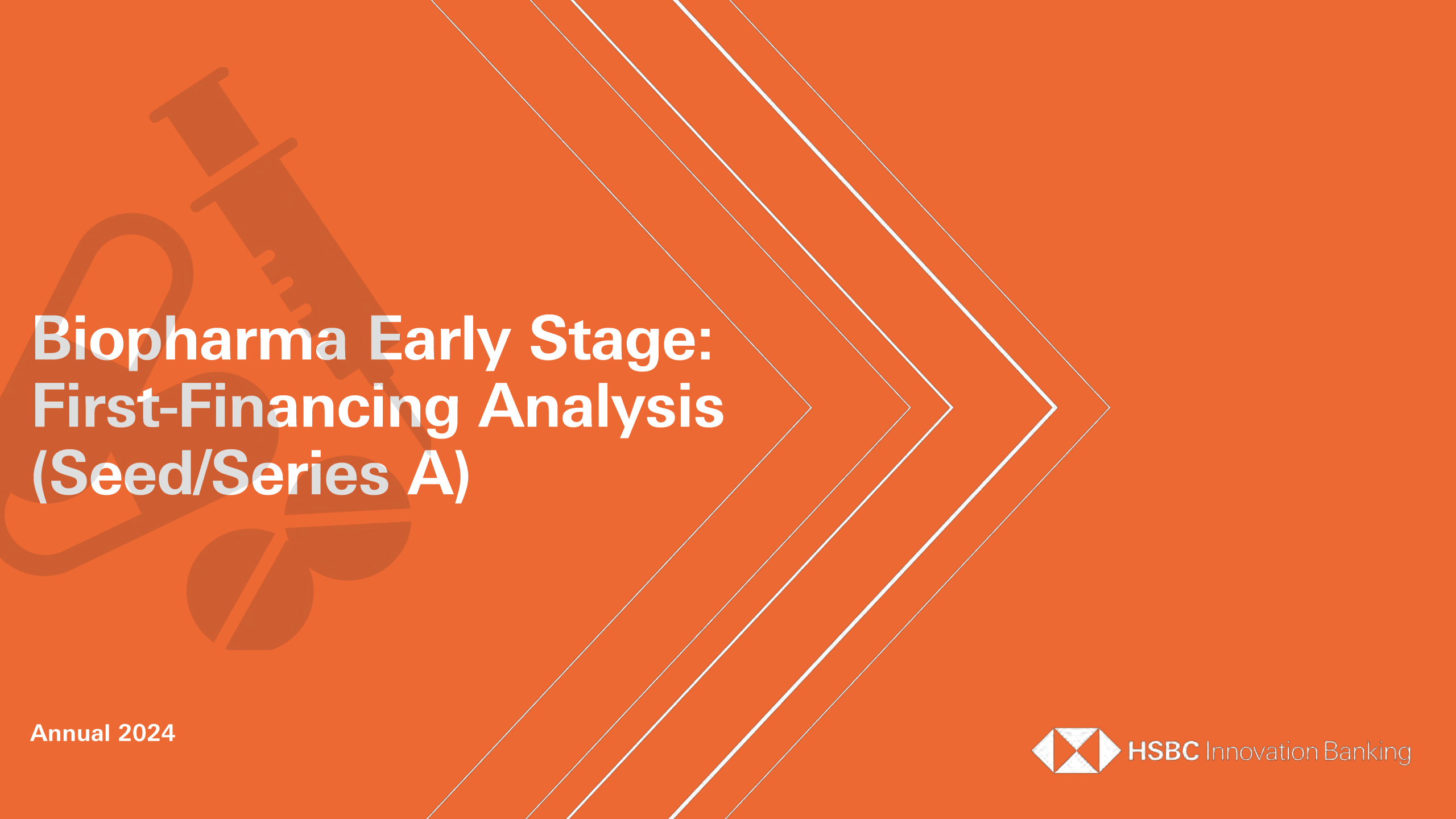
While inside rounds³ prevailed in 2023, 2024 marked a 30% rebound in new investments. Biopharma led the way, accounting for 49% of healthcare venture funding, continuing an increase each year from 2021 (39%). Inside rounds declined in 2H 2024 across all sectors, as most companies either secured new investor-led funding or extended existing inside rounds. We anticipate a critical juncture for inside rounds within the next six to nine months.

In 2024 investors favored larger financings involving multiple co-investors, reflecting a “safety-in-numbers” approach. Many of these financings combined two rounds into one, aiming to reduce financing risk. The top 10% of deals (216 deals) accounted for \$30.2B in investment, 53% of all venture healthcare dollars.

Investor pressure to conserve dry powder

The increase in investment comes as investors face pressure from LPs⁴ to demonstrate returns before raising their next fund. Distributions from exits has been challenging over recent years, casting uncertainty on the timing of future fundraising. Following the surge of inside rounds in 2023, investors are now tasked with balancing new investments and support of existing portfolios, prioritizing dry powder on their high-potential companies. In 1H 2025, companies reliant on inside rounds will find new lead investors or face consolidation or shutdown.

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Biopharma Early Stage: First-Financing Analysis (Seed/Series A)

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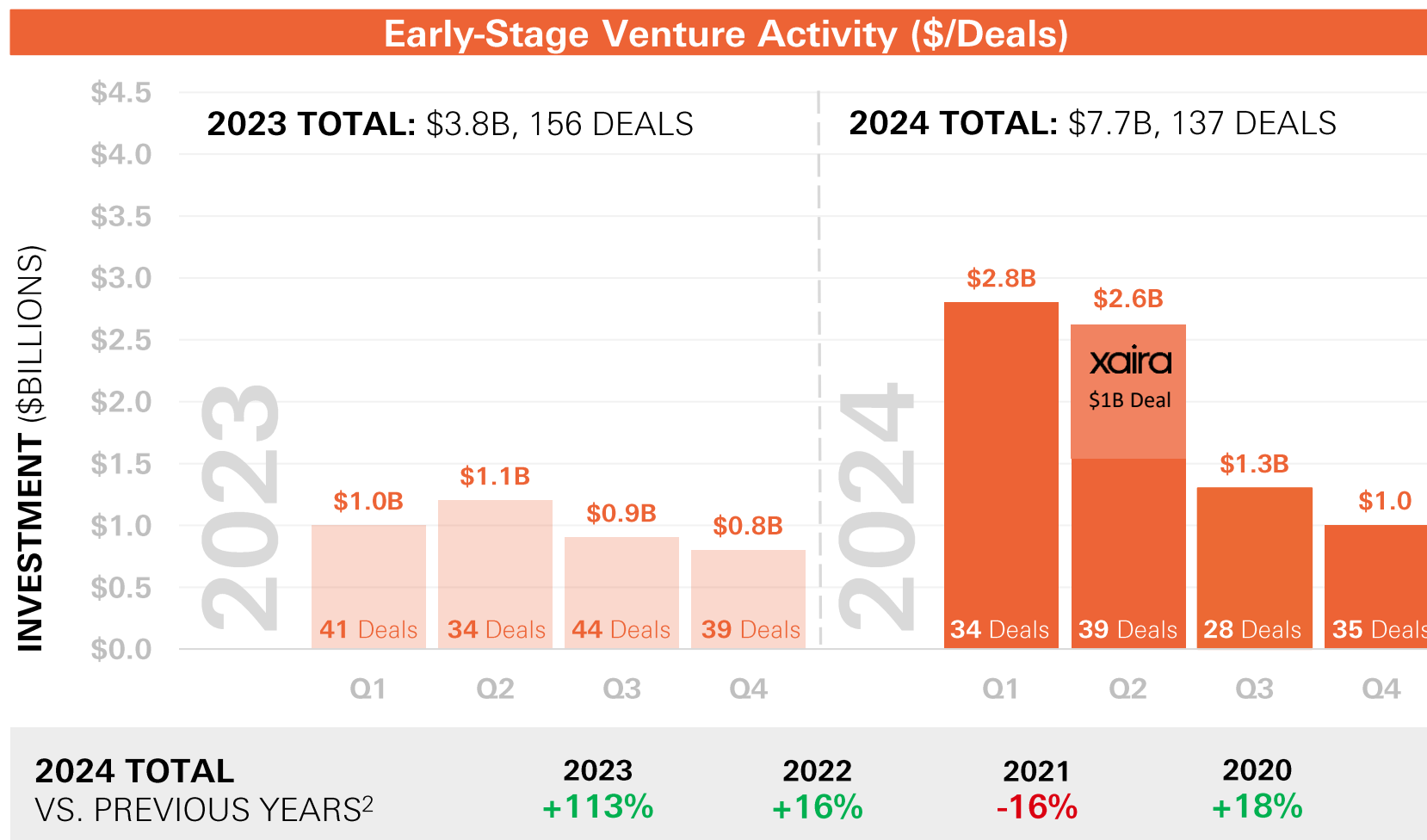
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Biopharma First-Financing¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



Mega deals drove a surge in first-financing dollars



1H Investment soared, led by mega deals

First-financing in biopharma soared in 1H, outpacing full-year 2023 investment. Mega deals made a strong comeback, with fourteen \$100M+ deals including seven over \$300M. These deals raised \$4.2B in total, representing 72% of all 1H first-financing dollars. The deals spanned all stages of development, with six preclinical, four phase I, two phase II, and two phase III deals.

In 2H, only six \$100M+ first-financing rounds occurred. However, there were five additional \$100M+ Series A deals (\$650M in total funding) that had previously completed large Seed first-financing rounds in previous years. Thus, the large Series A trend did continue in 2H; the deals just did not fit in our first-financing analysis.

The median number of investors in first-financing mega deals was seven, comprising a mix of VC, crossover, and some corporate support. Syndicate sizes were notably larger compared to previous cycles, where first-financings typically involved two to three investors. However, the high number of VCs in the same deal raised concern about portfolio diversification and potential impacts of LP re-up commitments, especially as LPs appear to be narrowing their new allocations to VC funds.

Where first-financing deals are flowing

Most mega deals were venture created, though this took varying forms. Some involved teams fresh off successful M&A with a blank check, while others were spinoffs from big pharma. Additionally, both early and later-stage deals with China-based assets stood out. These assets followed two distinct tracks: either differentiated early-stage technology or less differentiated later-stage technology with the potential to be first-in-class; both driving significant funding and a race to data. Multiyear science-based venture builds have become less common, though a core group of ten to fifteen firms still pursue this approach to company creation.

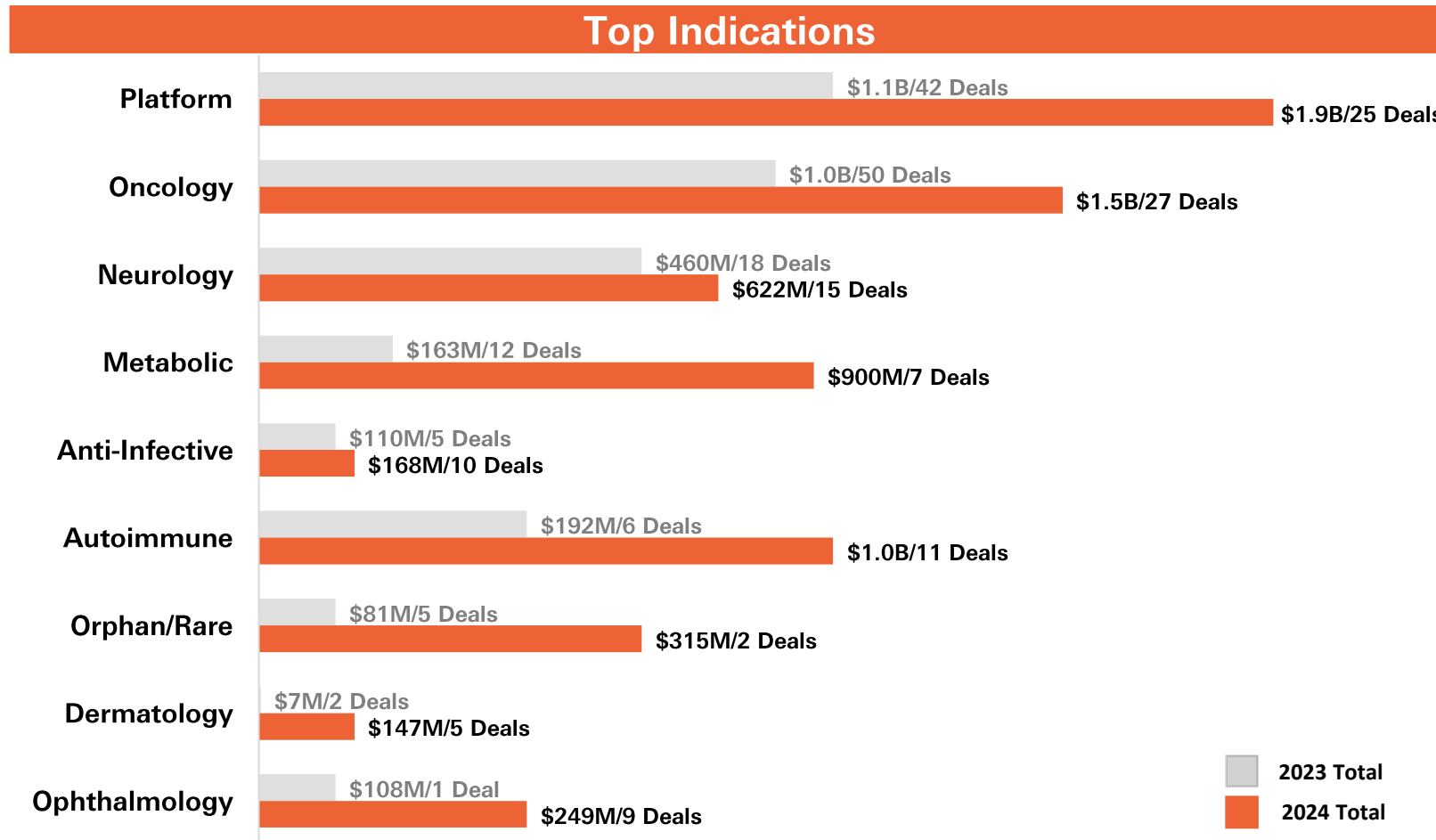
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Biopharma First-Financing¹ by Indication²

2023–2024 US & Europe



Large investment bets drove metabolic and autoimmune activity



Seed deals decline amid surge in larger financings

Large deals continued to dominate biopharma first-financings, with most indications raising more capital through fewer deals. Seed deals dropped significantly, from 57 in 2023 to 30 in 2024.

Preclinical and phase I continued to dominate first-financing

In 2024, 74% of all first-financings were preclinical (74 deals) or phase I (16), continuing the trend from 2023 (77%). Unlike earlier cycles in 2021 to 2022, most first-financing assets are now 12 to 15 months from IND, rather than several years. Platform deals,² defined as too early to define a lead asset, accounted for the most preclinical financings (21 of 25 deals), followed by oncology (20 of 27 deals), neuro (10 of 15 deals), and autoimmune (seven of 11 deals).

Autoimmune, metabolic close multiple mega rounds

Every leading indication raised more first-financing dollars than in 2023. Metabolic and autoimmune emerged as breakout indications driven by significant growth through mega deals. The average deal size reached \$130M for metabolic and \$91M for autoimmune.

Platform, oncology yield more dollars, fewer deals

Platform and oncology investments significantly passed 2023 levels, despite nearly a 50% decline in deals. Orphan/rare activity remained limited, with GondolaBio securing \$300M of the \$315M total.

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Biopharma First-Financing¹ Largest Financings

2024 US & Europe

Preclinical and phase I dominated large deals; NorCal led big deal activity



		Indication Stage	Size of Round (\$M)	Deal Date	Location			Indication Stage	Size of Round (\$M)	Deal Date	Location
1		Platform Preclinical	1,000	4/24	SF, CA	11		Oncology Preclinical	150	3/20	Rockville, MD
2	 2	Respiratory Phase III	425	2/13	Chapel Hill, NC	12		Ophthalmology Preclinical	150	1/26	Redwood City, CA
3		Autoimmune Preclinical	400	3/21	San Diego, CA	13		Neuro Phase I	141	9/17	SSF, CA
4		Metabolic Phase III	400	10/1	Waltham, MA	14		Platform Preclinical	128	4/3	Cambridge, MA
5		Oncology Phase I	385	4/26	San Diego, CA	15		Renal Phase I	105	1/30	Skokie, IL
6		Autoimmune Phase I	370	9/9	San Diego, CA	16		Neuro Preclinical	101	11/12	SF, CA
7		Metabolic Phase I	350	4/3	New York, NY	17		Neuro Phase III	100	1/5	San Jose, CA
8		Respiratory Phase II	300	1/19	Malvern, PA	18		Autoimmune Phase I	100	8/27	Scotch Plains, NJ
9		Orphan/Rare Phase I	300	8/16	Palo Alto, CA	19		Derm Preclinical	100	2/12	Boston, MA
10		Oncology Phase I	200	5/2	Palo Alto, CA	20		Platform Preclinical	94	3/24	SSF, CA

Numbers at a glance (20 largest first-financing deals)

The top 20 deals raised \$5.6B, accounting for 69% of all biopharma dollars.

The top 20 median deal size in 2024 reached \$250M, 3x 2023's median of \$80M.

Stage

Phase I:	8 deals
Preclinical:	8 deals
Phase III:	3 deals

Indication

Oncology:	3 deals
Neuro:	3 deals
Platform:	3 deals
Autoimmune:	3 deals

Location

NorCal:	8 deals
MA:	3 deals
SoCal:	3 deals

Lookback: 2022 first-financing deals highlight momentum and exits

The seven largest biopharma first-financings of 2022 have shown strong progress. Zenas, ArriVent, and Upstream Bio raised mezzanine rounds before going public. IDRx and AffiniT raised significant Series B step-up rounds (both at 1.4x). The remaining two deals obtained new or add-on financing.

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Biopharma Valuation¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



Neuro seeds and larger oncology plays showcased strong pre-money values

Stage	Deals with Valuations ¹ versus Total Activity	Median Round Size	Pre-Money Valuation (by Percentile) in 2024	
Angel / Seed	13 of 29	\$8M \$8M (2023)	25th Pct	\$7M
			50th Pct	\$9M
			75th Pct	\$16M
Series A <\$50M	43 of 86	\$12M \$10M (2023)	25th Pct	\$19M
			50th Pct	\$31M
			75th Pct	\$45M
Series A >\$50M	29 of 58	\$100M \$85M (2023)	25th Pct	\$38M
			50th Pct	\$55M
			75th Pct	\$93M

Neuro seed deals score highest pre-money values

In seed deals, three of the top six highest pre-money valuations were neuro companies, including two focused on Alzheimer's (one an Ultragenyx spin-off) and one targeting opioid addiction. The largest seed round was \$100M for Alys, a preclinical dermatology company with a \$50M pre-money valuation.

Series A top pre-money deals highlight preclinical

Pre-money valuations for Series A deals remained strong in 2024, with preclinical companies securing 12 of the 19 highest pre-money valuations.

In smaller Series A deals that raised less than \$50M, six deals surpassed \$50M in pre-money valuation, led by oncology company Convergent (Phase II), followed by Pinetree and Siren (both preclinical).

Gene and cell therapy accounted for five Series A deals with a median raise of \$28M and pre-money valuation of \$22M.

Larger Series A deals of \$50M+ had a median pre-money valuation of \$55M and an average of \$141M, driven by Xaira (\$1.7B), Areteia (\$418M), and Seaport (\$250M).

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Biopharma Investment: All Venture Deals

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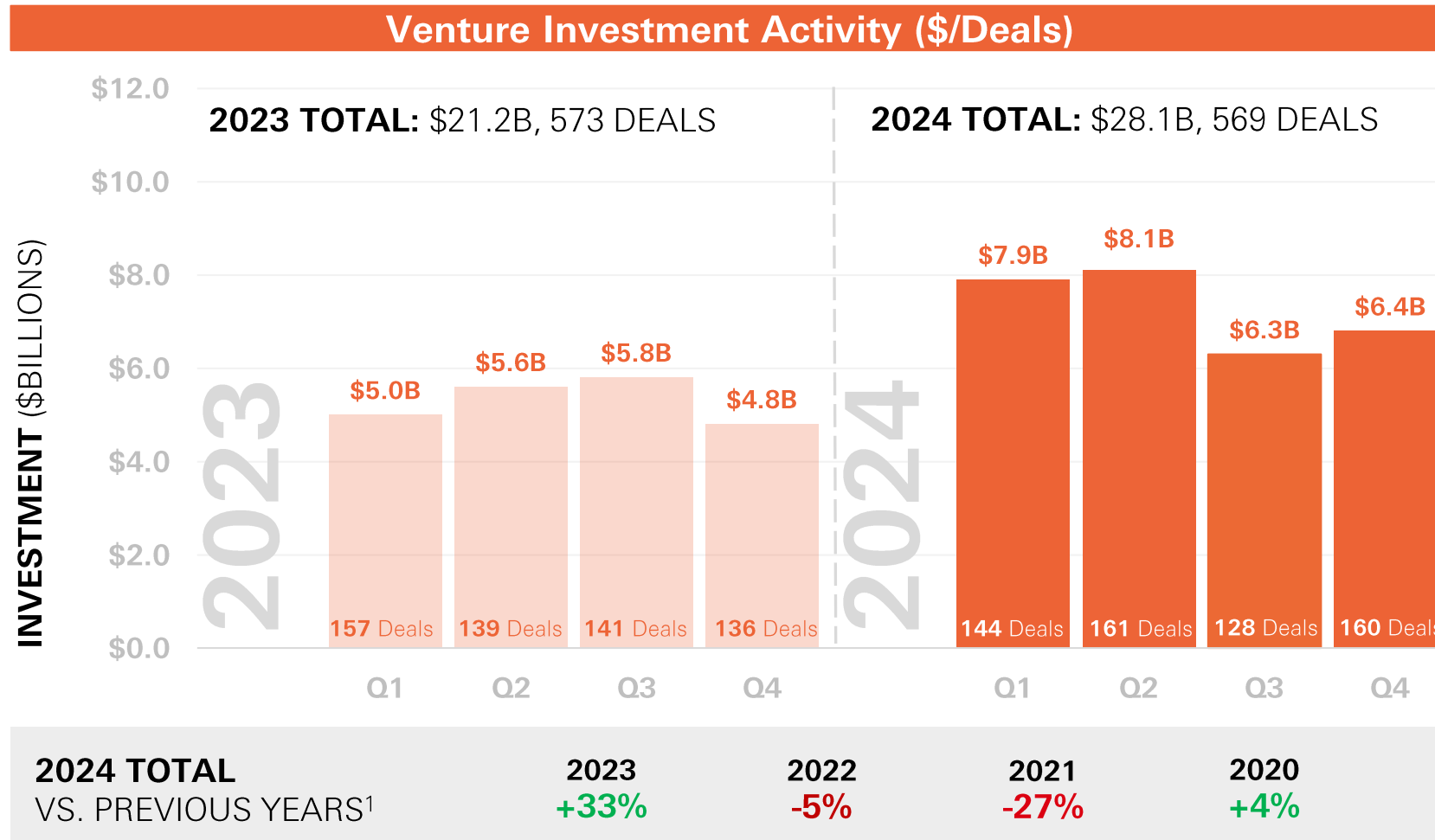
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Biopharma Analysis (All Deals)

2023–2024 US & Europe



Mega deals fueled increased dollars; Future-round risk remains for inside rounds



Investment dollars up significantly

Biopharma investment dollars increased by 33% in 2024, with all quarters surpassing the best investment quarter in 2023.

Private mega rounds exceeding \$100M grew by 70% to 106, 57 of which (54%) included new crossover investors, signaling optimism for a robust IPO window in 2025–2026.

Could mega rounds make companies too big to fail?

The largest syndicated deals often feature experienced management teams with a track record of success that demand substantial equity rounds. This allows flexibility to pivot if the initial technology fails, with continued insider support. In such cases, investors are more likely to provide additional funding rather than accept a write-off.

Big valuations cause for worry?

Raising large rounds is logical for complex technologies or costly clinical trials. However, a notable caution in 2024's surge in mega deals lies in the significantly higher median crossover deal size (\$135M) and post-money valuations (\$370M) compared to prior up-cycle years: 2020 (\$87M deal size, post of \$236M), 2021 (\$100M, post of \$280M) and 2022 (\$110M, post of \$260M)². Despite a robust private M&A market, challenges remain with a tougher IPO landscape and mixed public market performance.

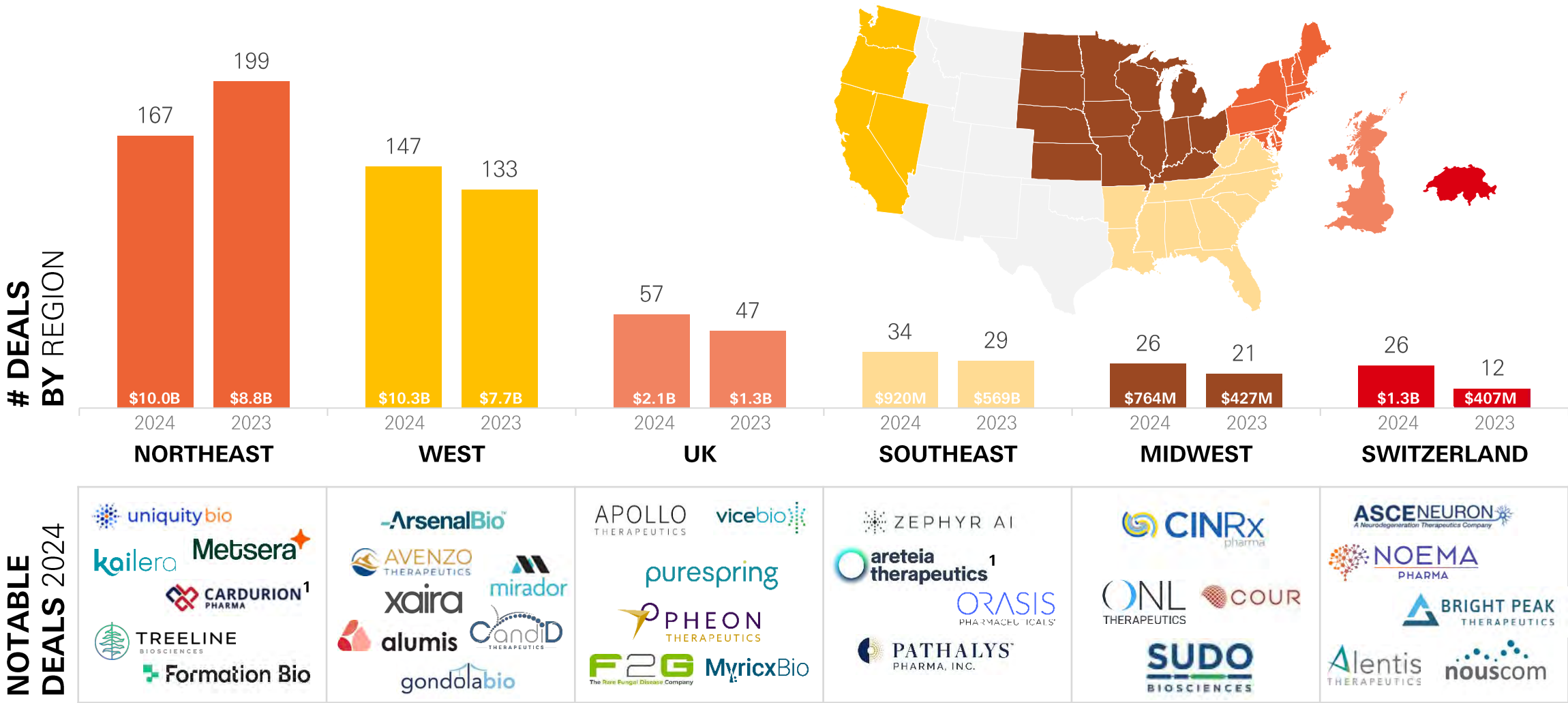
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Biopharma Deal Activity By Region

2023–2024 US & Europe



West closed more investment dollars in 2024, but Northeast led deal activity

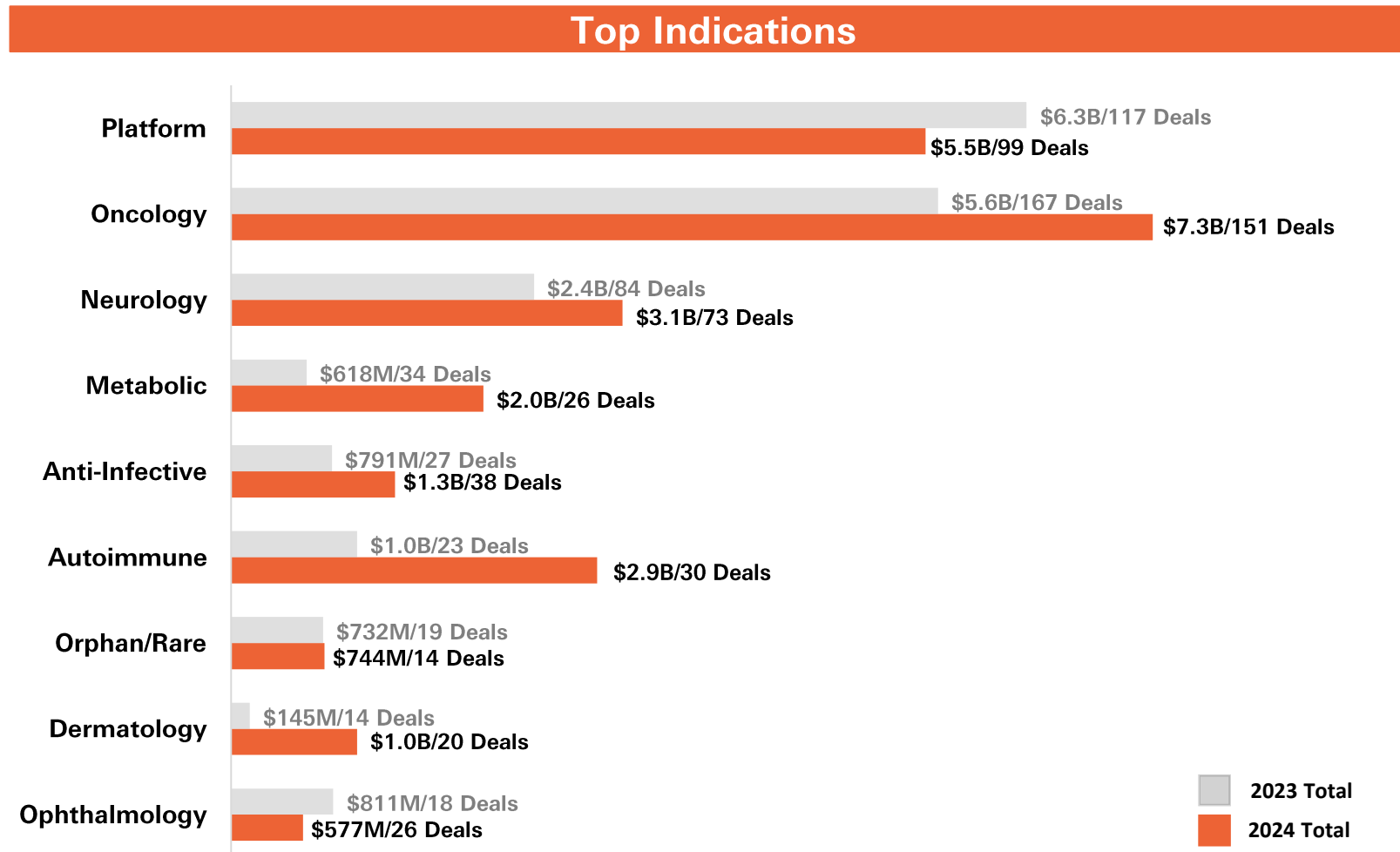


Biopharma Investment by Indication¹

2023–2024 US & Europe



Oncology, Autoimmune, Metabolic and Dermatology saw outsized investment



Seven of the top nine biopharma indications saw increased investment compared to 2023.

Oncology supplants Platform

Oncology investment surpassed platform by almost \$2B in 2024, marking the first time since 2021 that platform was not the top investment modality. This shift does not indicate a decline in preclinical investment, but rather reflects assets moving closer to the clinic, with many already identifying a lead candidate in a specific indication. Notably, 58% of oncology financings in 2024 were preclinical.

Autoimmune and Metabolic saw a significant shift in investment

Both indications saw significant investment growth, with Autoimmune up ~3x and Metabolic up ~3.5x.

50% of autoimmune deals were preclinical, though the largest autoimmune span all stages, including preclinical (Mirador, Capstan), phase I (Candid), phase II (Alumis, AltuBio) and phase III (Zenas). Similarly, half of metabolic deals were preclinical, but the larger investments targeted later-stage assets in obesity and aging, including phase II (Metsera, BioAge) and phase III (Kailera). With the rapid rise in obesity related investments in recent years, there is growing concern about whether this area may now be overfunded.

Neuro remains stable, later-stage; derm rises

There were 30 preclinical neuro deals in 2024, with 26 deals phase II or later. The largest were phase II (Seaport, Noema, Engrail) and phase III (Cerevance).

Dermatology investment increased 7x, led by four \$100M+ deals: Formation, Enveda, Evommune and Alys.

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Biopharma Largest Financings (All Deals)

2024 US & Europe



First-financing deals drove biggest deals; Autoimmune indication led financings

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2	areteia therapeutics ²	Respiratory Phase III	425	2/13 A1	Chapel Hill, NC	12	uniqueness bio	Respiratory Phase II	300	1/19 A	Malvern, PA
3	TREELINE BIOSCIENCES	Oncology Preclinical	422	10/17 B	Watertown, MA	13	APOLLO THERAPEUTICS	Platform Preclinical	260	1/2 C	Cambridge, UK
4	kailera	Metabolic Phase III	400	10/1 A	Waltham, MA	14	CARDURION PHARMA ²	Cardiovascular Phase II	260	7/10 B	Burlington, MA
5	mirador THERAPEUTICS	Autoimmune Preclinical	400	3/21 A	San Diego, CA	15	alumis	Autoimmune Phase II	259	3/6 C	SSF, CA
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10	ArsenalBio	Oncology Phase I	325	9/4 C	SSF, CA	20	BBOT Innovative Oncology Therapeutics	Oncology Phase I	200	5/2 A	Palo Alto, CA

The top 20 deals accounted for only 3% of all deals but represented 24% of biopharma venture dollars, continuing the trend from 2023 when the largest 20 deals comprised 23% of investment dollars.

More mega Series A deals

In 2024, nine of the top 20 deals were Series A or joint-venture first-financings, compared to only three Series A in 2023.

Autoimmune and Metabolic interest explodes

In 2023, none of the top 20 largest deals targeted autoimmune or metabolic indications. However, in 2024, nine of the largest 20 deals were focused on these two areas.

Numbers at a glance (largest 20 deals)

Stage

Phase II:	6 deals
Phase I:	6 deals
Preclinical:	4 deals
Phase III:	4 deals

Indication

Autoimmune:	5 deals
Oncology:	4 deals
Metabolic:	3 deals
Respiratory:	2 deals

Location

NorCal:	6 deals
MA:	5 deals
SoCal & NY:	3 deals

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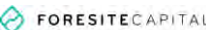
Biopharma Most Active Investors¹

2024 US & Europe



VC activity up, corporate stable, and new growth names joined active investors

ALL DEALS

VC ³		Corporate ³		Growth ²	
17		14		23	
12		12		11	 
11	 	11		10	
9		10		9	 
8		9		8	 
7	     	8		7	 

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Biopharma Valuation¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



2024 saw fewer Series B step-ups and more valuation resets in later rounds

Stage	Deals with Valuations ¹ versus Total Activity	Median Round Size	Up Round ² Percentage	Pre-Money Valuation (by Percentile) in 2024	
Series B <\$50M	15 of 32	\$10M \$25M (2023)	53% (8/15) 52% (13/25 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$31M
				50th Pct	\$56M
				75th Pct	\$105M
Series B >\$50M	25 of 60	\$112M \$115M (2023)	56% (14/25) 93% (24/26 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$112M
				50th Pct	\$195M
				75th Pct	\$243M
Series C <\$100M	12 of 22	\$50M \$43M (2023)	58% (7/12) 40% (4/10 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$98M
				50th Pct	\$165M
				75th Pct	\$196M
Series C >\$100M	13 of 18	\$133M \$175M (2023)	54% (7/13) 63% (5/8 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$213M
				50th Pct	\$330M
				75th Pct	\$530M
Series D+	13 of 25	\$107M \$47M (2023)	15% (2/13) 67% (5/8 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$71M
				50th Pct	\$215M
				75th Pct	\$445M

Fewer Series B up rounds

While Series B valuations remain strong, the number of up rounds faltered from 2023, with step-up deals dropping from 37 to 22 and the percentage falling from 77% to 55%.

Large Series C pre-money values led by Crossovers

Ten of the top 15 Series C pre-money values (all exceeding \$200M) included new crossover investors. Notably, only six of these deals involved phase II or later assets. This earlier-stage crossover support likely positions these companies for IPOs in late 2025–2026, aligning with the current trend of phase II or later assets for public offerings.

Series D reset values in wake of tough IPOs

Many down rounds were observed among companies that last raised rounds in 2021–2022. Eight of 13 down round deals were phase II or later. The only later-stage step-ups were phase III Formative Bio and phase II Osteal Therapeutics.

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Biopharma Largest Post-Money Values¹

2024 US & Europe



Later-stage replaced preclinical as most valued, with crossover, corporate support

LARGEST POST-MONEY VALUATIONS BY BIOPHARMA INDICATION

Indication	Company	Date	Deal Size (\$M)	Round	Post \$ (\$M)/ Step-up? ³	Stage	Notable/Lead New Investor(s)
Platform	xaira	4/24	1,000	A	2,700	Preclinical	VC
Oncology	ArsenalBio	9/4	325	C	1,850	Phase I	Corporate, VC, Xover
Dermatology	Formation Bio	6/26	372	D	1,700	Phase III	Corporate, VC
Agbio	INARI	1/30	103	F	1,650	Clinical Trials	LP, VC
Platform	Mammoth Biosciences	4/22	106	D1	1,390	Preclinical	Corporate, undisclosed
Autoimmune	alumis	3/6	259	C	1,000	Phase II	Growth, VC, Xover
Oncology	SCORPION	7/16	150	C	845	Phase I	Family Office, Hedge, VC, Xover
Respiratory	areteia therapeutics ²	2/13	425	A1	843	Phase III	Corporate, Growth, VC, Xover
Oncology	Rakuten	3/6	119	E	819	Phase III	Corporate, Unknown

Valuation³ ■ Step-Up ■ Flat Rd ■ Step-Down

Crossover, corporate momentum continued; possible IPO value mismatch

Crossover investment in private biopharma companies remained strong in 2024, providing critical capital for development and IPO flexibility. However, the median pre-money valuation for 18 IPOs in 2024 was \$458M, significantly lower than the post-money valuations on this list. Only one company on this list (Rakuten) had a post-money valuation below the highest IPO pre-money of 2024 (CG Oncology).

Corporate investments also remained robust, supporting both early and later-stage companies. Key corporate participants in top valued deals included Nvidia, Regeneron (2 deals), Sanofi (2 deals), Google Ventures, and Dai-ichi.

Lookback: 2022's largest post-money deals deliver strong financings and an IPO

A review of the top post-money valuations from 2022 reveals mixed, but largely positive progress over the past two years. Neumora completed an IPO, while five companies secured additional new investor-led equity: Indigo and Treeline raised large rounds without disclosing valuation, Inari raised at a flat valuation and ArsenalBio (1.5x) and Eikon (1.3x) raised equity at step-ups. Oceanbio went out of business, three have not yet raised funds, and one completed a smaller add-on round.

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Biopharma Investment: Private M&A and IPO Analysis

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Biopharma Private VC-Backed M&A¹ Analysis

2018–2024



Private M&A deals and dollars show upsized activity focused on preclin & phase I

M&A MEDIAN VALUES

Date	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Deals	15	15	20	15	9	6	17
Up-Front (\$M)	140	250	315	370	320	305	800
Milestone TBE (\$M)	400	375	138	350	100	500	-
Total Deal (\$M)	480	600	608	525	405	828	1,100
\$1B+ Total Deal Value Exits	4 (27%)	3 (20%)	7 (35%)	5 (33%)	3 (33%)	3 (50%)	10 (59%)

\$1B+ private deals abound in 1H 2024

Private M&A activity sustained the momentum from 2H 2023 into 2024, reaching a four-year high in deal volume and seven-year high in up-front and total deal size. Notably, ten deals exceeded \$1B+ total value.

Despite the lofty deal sizes, the median total capital invested into these companies also hit a seven-year high at \$132M, doubling the median equity raised in any year except 2022 (\$126M).

M&A Breakdown

10/17 M&A >\$1B total deal value. There were seven deals that were acquired for \$1B+ up-front

Median time to exit from first-financing: 4.4 years

11/14 M&A were preclin (4) or phase I (7)

Top M&A Lead Indications

Oncology (3)

Autoimmune (3)

Orphan/Rare (3)

Top Acquirers

Abbvie and Novartis (3 deals), J&J (2 deals)

NOTABLE 2024 M&A Deals

□ \$1B+ Total Deal Value M&A

AIOLOS BIO → GSK	AMOLYT PHARMA → AstraZeneca	IRONSHORE PHARMACEUTICALS → Collegium. PHARMACEUTICAL
ProfoundBio → Genmab	escent pharmaceuticals → Incyte	ALIADA THERAPEUTICS → abbvie
mariana ONCOLOGY → NOVARTIS	PROTEOLOGIX → Johnson&Johnson	jnana Therapeutics → Otsuka
HL-Bio → Biogen	NUMAB ² → Johnson&Johnson	KATE THERAPEUTICS → NOVARTIS
EyeBio → MERCK	celsius → abbvie	NIMBLE THERAPEUTICS → abbvie
Calypso biotech → NOVARTIS	APEIRON BIOLOGICS → Ligand	

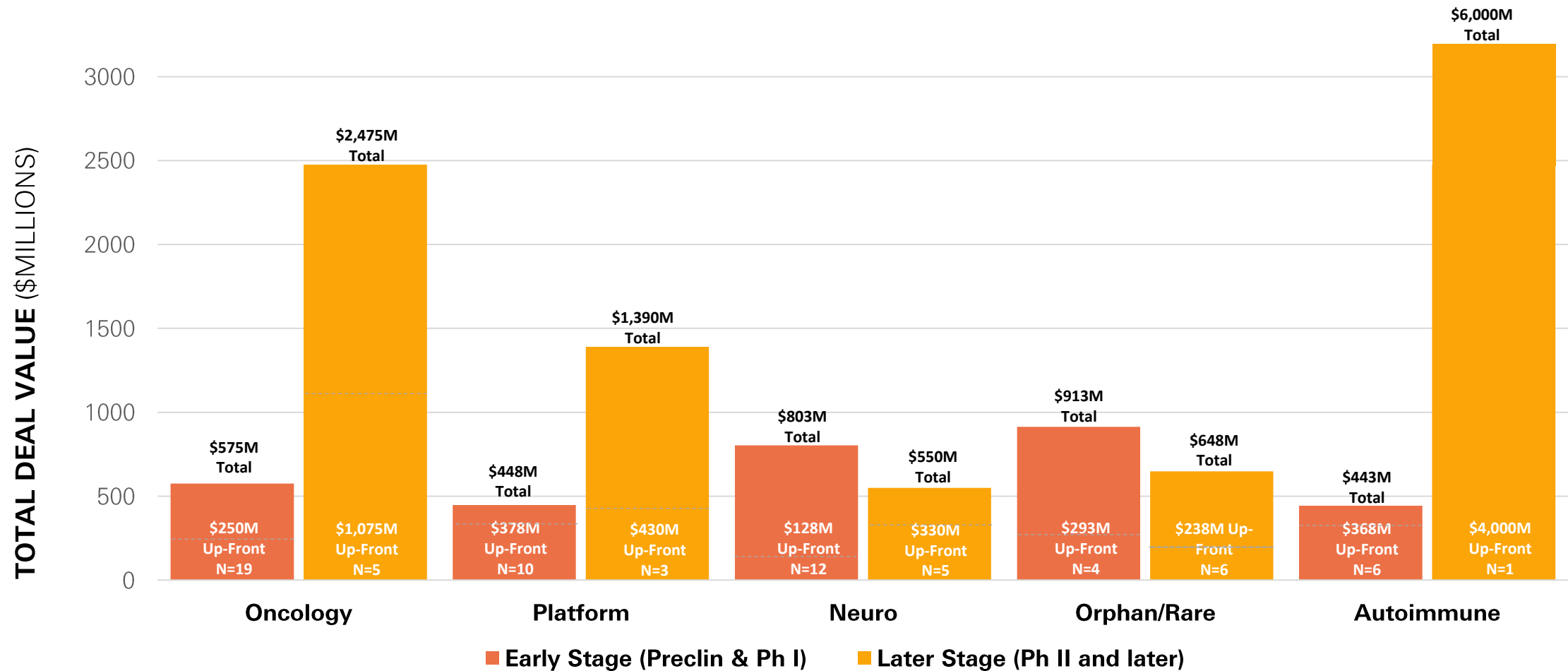
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Biopharma Private M&A¹ by Top Indications²

2018–2024



Seven-year Median Up-Front and Total Deal Values in Most Active Indications



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Biopharma Private VC-Backed IPO¹ Analysis

2018–2024

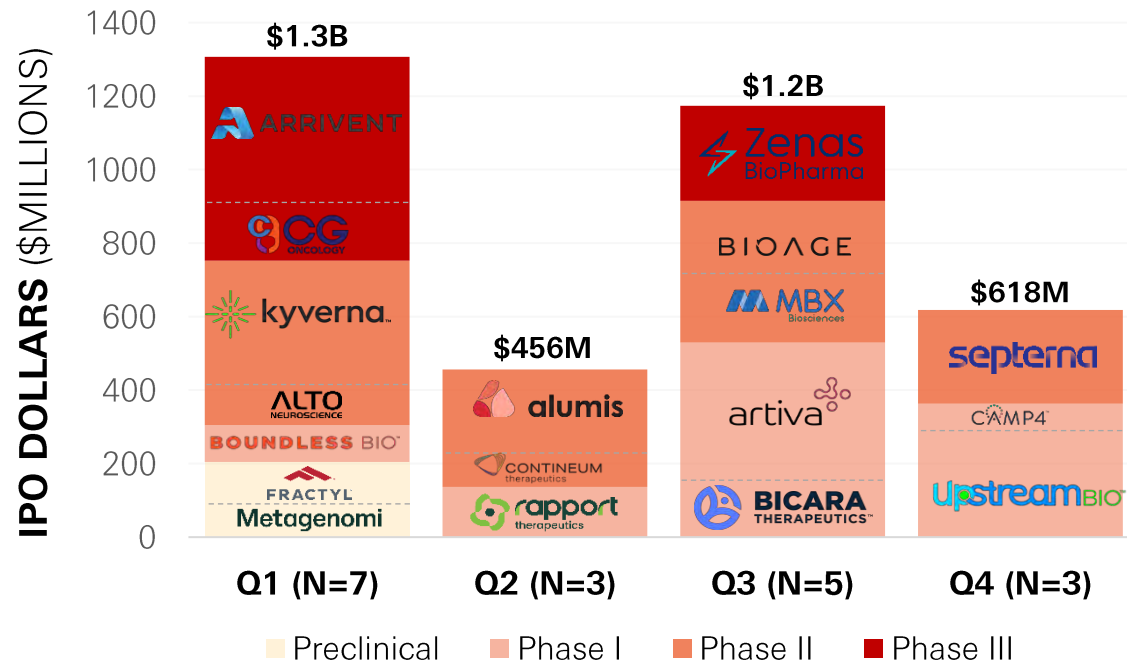


IPOs transitioned to clinical-stage assets; strong step-ups to IPO and quick time to listing

IPO ACTIVITY 2018–2024

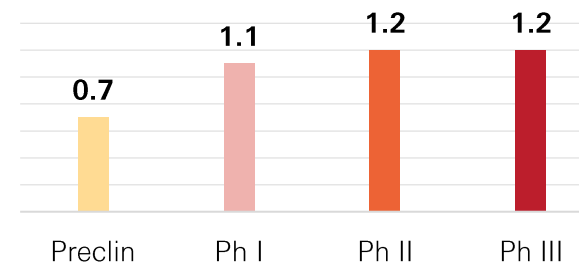
Date	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Venture-Backed IPOs	55	50	83	96	19	11	18

QUARTERLY IPO DOLLARS RAISED BY STAGE



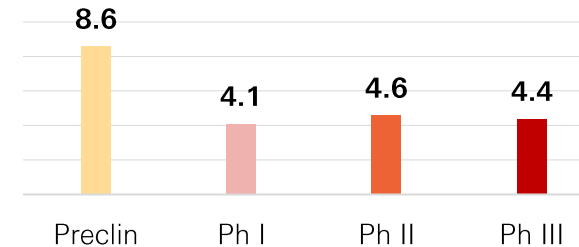
AVERAGE STEP-UP TO IPO BY STAGE³

(Pre-money IPO/Last Private Post-money)



AVERAGE TIME TO IPO BY STAGE²

(Time to IPO from first-financing, in years)



IPOs spiked in Q1 and Q3

2024 IPOs nearly doubled 2023 activity but fell short of expectations given a strong Q1 and the sheer number of companies that have raised mezzanine (crossover) round financings in recent years. IPOs in the second half of 2024 showed resilience in the public market, raising more IPO dollars. Post-IPO, two of eight traded up, with an average performance of -19%.

The preclinical IPOs in Q1 struggled in the public market, prompting a shift toward phase I and phase II public offerings starting in Q2.

Two of the four oncology-focused IPOs (both phase III) were up 50% from their IPO price. However, despite significant interest and investment in private autoimmune deals, all four autoimmune deals traded down post-IPO.

Positive step-ups and quick IPO trajectory

From a venture-investor and company perspective, it was promising to see many of the IPOs achieve step-up in valuations from their last private round, despite the revaluation trends of the past two years. The highest IPO step-ups were Kyverna (2.3x) and Septerna (1.5x).

The strategy of a strong Series A, followed by a mezzanine round and a swift IPO, remains an option at this point. IPOs occurred quickly in 2024, with only six of eighteen IPOs taking longer than four years from first-financing. Biopharma as a sector continued to show shorter median time to exit through M&A or IPO than any other healthcare sector.

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Biopharma Private VC-Backed IPO¹ Analysis

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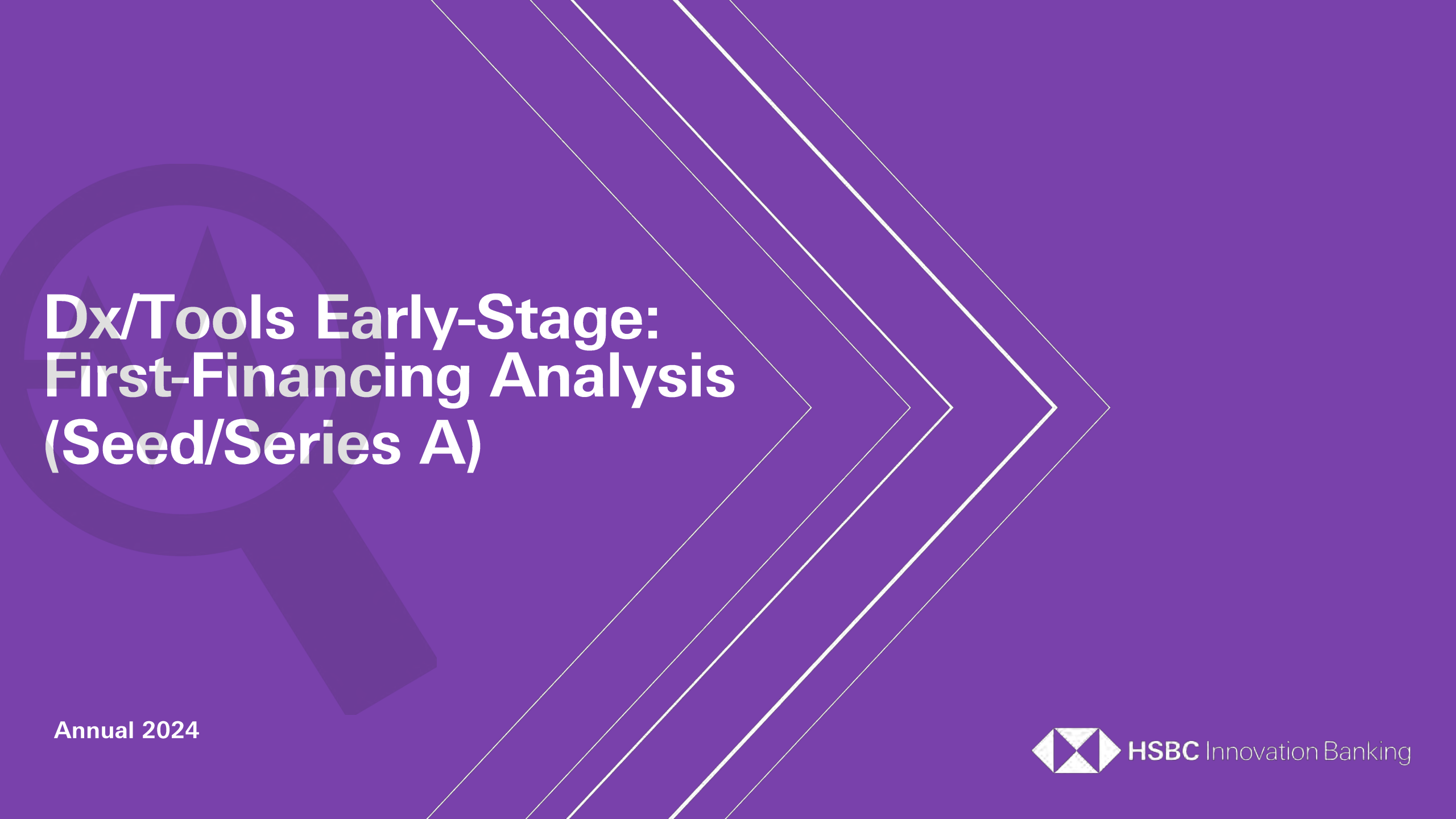


IPO medians: \$182M in proceeds on 1.1x step-up in 4.2 years from first round; -33% post-IPO

2024 BIOPHARMA IPO MEDIANS

Date	Company	Indication	Stage	Time to IPO ²	Step-up to IPO ³	IPO Dollars Raised (\$M)	IPO Post Money (\$M)	Performance to IPO Price (12/31)
1/25	 CG ONCOLOGY	Oncology	Phase III	9.5	1.3x	380	1,210	+51%
1/26	 ARRIVENT	Oncology	Phase III	1.9	1.1x	175	575	+48%
2/2	 FRACTYL health	Metabolic	Preclinical	12.7	0.7x	110	714	-86%
2/2	 ALTO NEUROSCIENCE	Neurology	Phase II	4.2	1.3x	148	428	-74%
2/8	 kyverna	Autoimmune	Phase II	4.0	2.3x	319	898	-83%
2/9	 Metagenomi	Platform	Preclinical	4.5	Unknown	94	563	-76%
3/28	 BOUNDLESS BIO	Oncology	Phase I	4.5	1.0x	100	356	-82%
4/5	 CONTINEUM therapeutics	Neurology	Phase II	6.0	1.2x	110	402	-8%
6/7	 rapport therapeutics	Neurology	Phase I	1.3	1.1x	156	621	+4%
6/27	 alumis	Autoimmune	Phase II	3.3	0.6x	210	830	-51%
7/19	 artiva	Autoimmune	Phase I	4.1	0.3x	167	279	-16%
9/13	 Zenas BioPharma	Autoimmune	Phase III	1.8	Unknown	259	710	-52%
9/13	 MBX Biosciences	Metabolic	Phase II	5.4	1.1x	188	534	+15%
9/13	 BICARA THERAPEUTICS	Oncology	Phase I	3.5	1.2x	362	979	-3%
9/26	 BIOAGE	Metabolic	Phase II	7.3	1.1x	198	615	-68%
10/11	 CAMP4	Hematology	Phase I	8.4	0.5x	75	215	-3%
10/11	 upstreamBIO	Respiratory	Phase II	2.3	0.9x	255	873	-3%
10/25	 septerna	Endocrinology	Phase I	2.8	1.5x	331	799	+27%

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Dx/Tools Early-Stage: First-Financing Analysis (Seed/Series A)

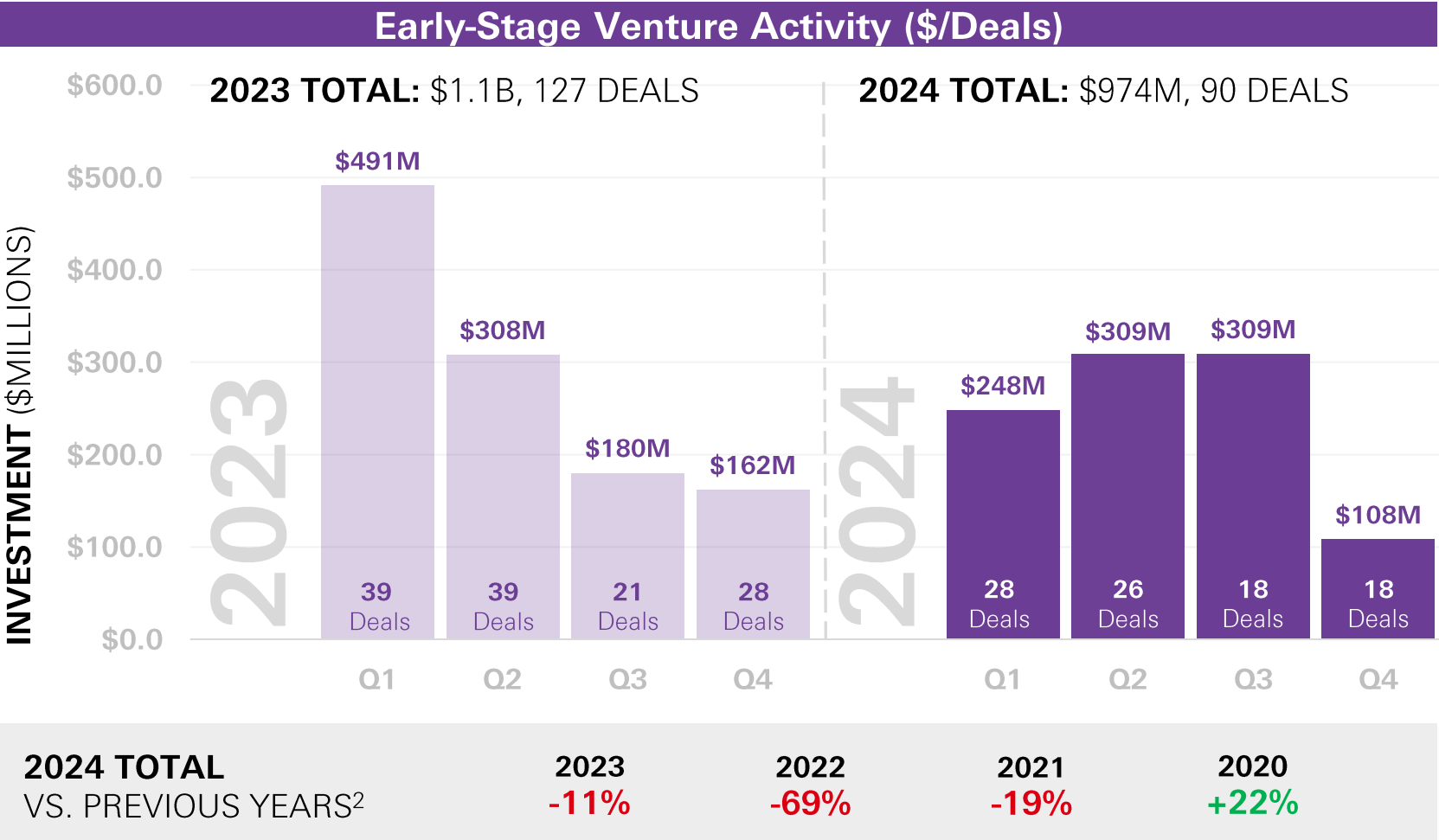
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Dx/Tools First-Financing¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



First-financing slowdown persists; corporates helped fill investor gap



First-financing continues to fall

Early-stage investment and deals activity in dx/tools fell to a four-year low in 2024, driven by Series B financing risk and a challenging exit environment.

Securing Series B funding for development-stage and pre-commercialization (pilot programs) companies in R&D Tools has been difficult, with new investors hesitant to commit. This reluctance has pushed Series A investors to use remaining dry powder on extended insider-rounds, aiming to reach a compelling inflection point for new investors' participation, often an unpredictable process. Investors now prefer later-stage commercialization rounds where technology risks are resolved and exits are closer.

The IPO window remained largely closed, a stark contrast from the IPO boom of 2020–2021, when thirteen IPOs achieved market caps above \$1B. Poor performance plagued these IPOs, with six of nine venture-backed IPOs from 2021 down over 70% from their IPO price and one went out of business (Zymergen).

M&A activity was limited, requiring sustained revenue growth rather than potential, with few acquirers actively pursuing deals. Tools consolidators focused on buying revenue over innovation, while diagnostics acquirers have been largely inactive. There is hope that mid-cap players such as Natera and Exact Sciences may enter the venture-backed M&A space.

Corporate investment supports early venture

With traditional venture investment lagging, corporate investors participated in five of the top seven largest first-financing deals in 2024.

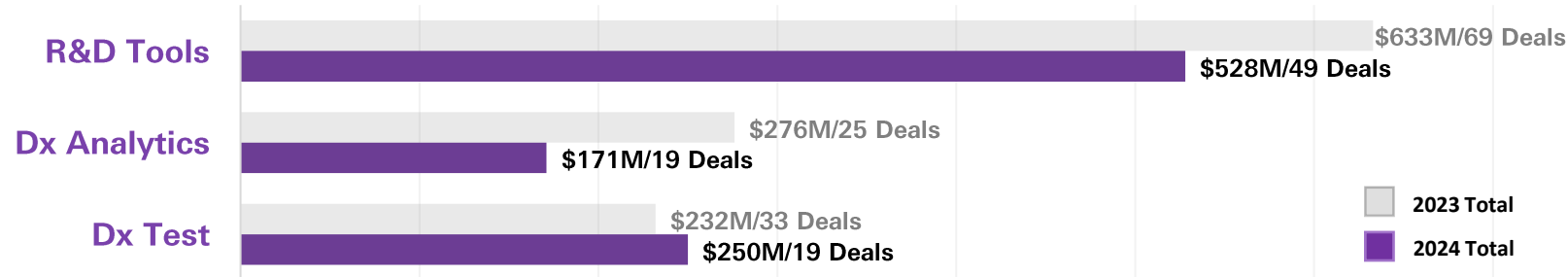
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Dx/Tools First-Financing¹ by Subsector

2023–2024 US & Europe



Liquid biopsy led Dx Test to increased investment, as Tools and Analytics declined



Dx Test investment spurred by liquid biopsy

Dx Test investment increased in 2024, with oncology dominating four of the six largest deals. Additionally, five smaller anti-infective deals were noted.

While investment dollars remain modest, diagnostics are poised to play a critical role in advancing precision medicine over the next decade. This growth in precision medicine² creates an opportunity for precision diagnostics and highlights the importance of dx tests in establishing surrogate endpoints in clinical trials and stratifying patients for treatment.

R&D Tools led by radiopharma and comp bio

Radiopharmaceuticals have emerged as a highly attractive area in biopharma, with R&D Tools companies such as Panthera securing substantial funding for manufacturing and supply capabilities. Additionally, eleven R&D Tools first-financing companies (22%) are leveraging computational biology as their core technology, led by Chai Discovery.

Dx Analytics

Investment in this subsector has declined in recent years, despite the advancements in AI/ML. Established later-stage companies with substantial funding and strategic partnerships may be overshadowing early-stage opportunities, limiting investor interest.

Numbers at a glance (10 largest first-financing deals)

Subsector	Deals	Location	Deals
R&D Tools	5 deals	OUS	5 Deals
Dx Test	4 deals	NorCal	2 Deals
Dx Analytics	1 deal		

		Indication	Size of Round (\$M)	Deal Date	Location			Indication	Size of Round (\$M)	Deal Date	Location
1		R&D Tool Radiopharma	148	9/11	Mol, Belgium	6		R&D Tool Discovery	35	2/19	Paris, France
2		Dx Test Platform	57	5/13	Boston, MA	7		R&D Tool Discovery	30	9/9	New York, NY
3		Dx Analytics Neuro	54	1/1	Santa Clara, CA	8		R&D Tool Discovery	26	6/11	Solna, Sweden
4		Dx Test Women's Health	40	4/25	Daly City, CA	9		Dx Test Oncology	23	6/11	Saint Paul, MN
5		R&D Tool Manufacturing	39	9/12	Paris, France	10		Dx Test Oncology	22	5/23	Frankfurt, Germany

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Dx/Tools Valuation¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



Computational, gene and cell manufacturing, and radiopharma services excited VCs

Stage	Deals with Valuations ¹ versus Total Activity	Median Round Size	Pre-Money Valuation (by Percentile) in 2024	
Angel / Seed	12 of 26	\$5M \$6M (2023)	25th Pct	\$10M
			50th Pct	\$11M
			75th Pct	\$15M
Series A <\$20M	24 of 34	\$10M \$10M (2023)	25th Pct	\$20M
			50th Pct	\$37M
			75th Pct	\$80M
Series A >\$20M	14 of 23	\$31M \$30M (2023)	25th Pct	\$23M
			50th Pct	\$44M
			75th Pct	\$111M

Seed round focus on computation, gene/cell manufacturing

The three highest pre-money valuations for Seed deals targeted emerging areas in tools, including computational analysis (Modulo Bio, \$39M pre-money) and cell and gene manufacturing (Cirsium, \$22M pre-money and Exthymic, \$20M pre-money). Notably, five of the eight companies with the largest Seed pre-money valuations were computational focused.

R&D Tools dominate larger Series A pre-money deals

In 2024, seven Series A pre-money values exceeded \$100M. R&D Tools companies claimed six of the seven spots, led by computational companies CoRegen (\$200M pre-money) and DeepCure (\$175M pre-money) and radioisotope production deals Pantera (\$148M pre-money) and Nucleus (\$150M pre-money). The remaining spot went to Earli (\$170M pre-money), a Dx Test oncology-focused company that raised a Series A extension.

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Dx/Tools Investment: All Venture Deals

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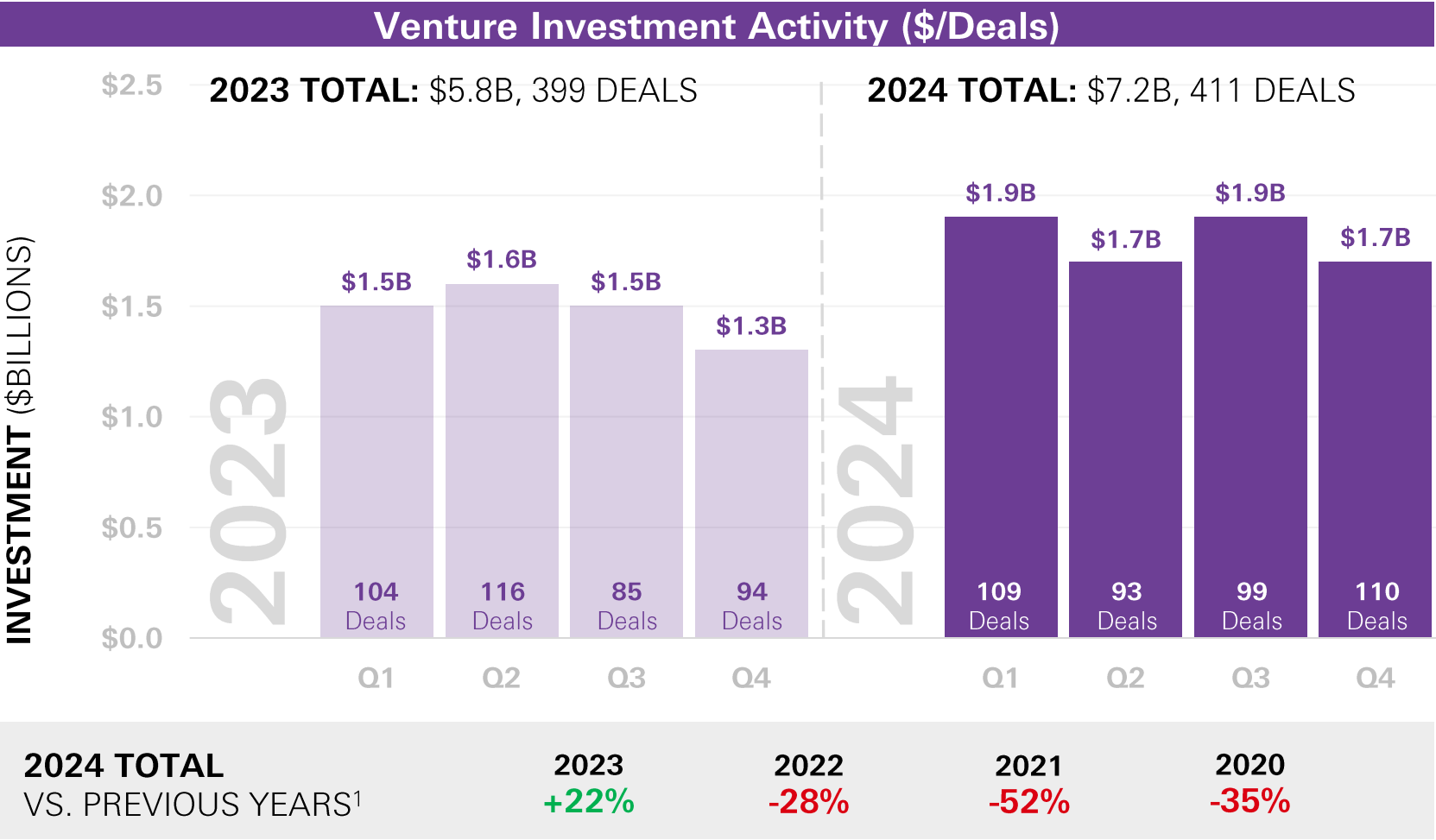
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Dx/Tools Analysis (All Deals)

2023–2024 US & Europe



Top deals secured large fundings, others looked to bridge to new rounds



Mega deals control new investor-led financings

While the dx/tools sector continues to face challenges with exit opportunities, investors concentrated on a select subset of deals, primarily those with strong commercial stories, to back with large rounds. Although dollars deployed surpassed 2023, investment levels remained significantly below the prior three years. Mega deals dominated, as the top 10% of deals accounted for 48% of investment dollars.

Companies with high valuations from 2020–2021 that demonstrated strong revenue growth have secured new investor rounds, often at flat or slightly up rounds as valuation metrics have moved lower in the current cycle. Others have been forced to rely on additional bridge financing and focus on cash conservation and their strongest product, hoping to hit a value inflection point to attract new investor interest.

For early commercial companies, new investors have prioritized companies with established reimbursement (dx test) or strong revenue growth (R&D Tool, analytics). A small subset of companies with \$10M or less in revenues have secured flat rounds but often included structured incentives, such as warrants or preferential returns, to attract new investors. This approach helps existing investors to maintain fund TVPI numbers² while providing an upside for new investors. While this dilutes management and founders, it is obviously preferable to consolidation or shutdown.

PE/growth and corporate investors return

PE, crossover, and growth investors returned to dx/tools, focusing on commercial growth stories and participating in the sector's seven largest financings. Corporate support was also evident, with contributions from industry leaders such as Samsung, Quest, and GE and big pharma players such as Merck, Astellas, and BMS.

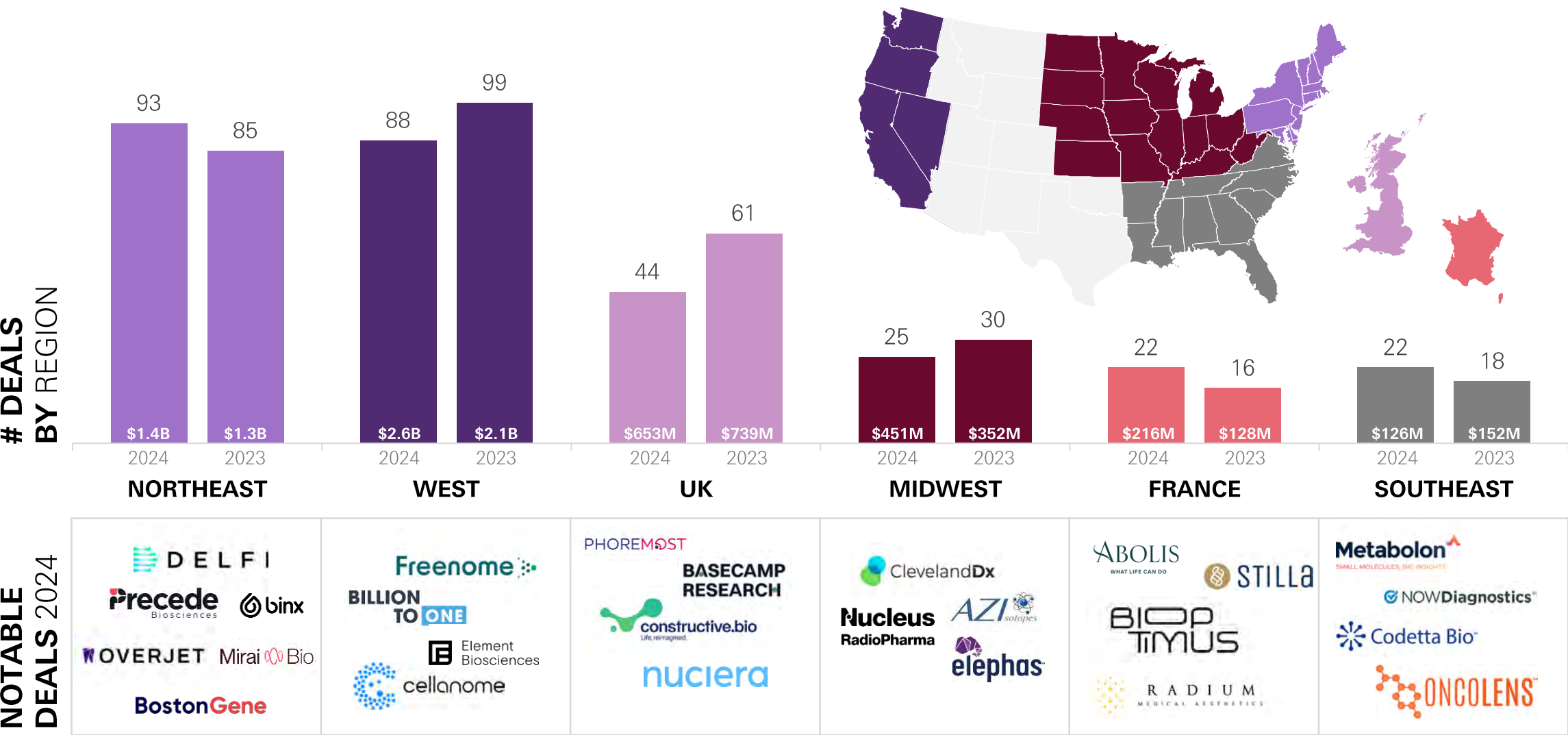
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Dx/Tools Deal Activity by Region

2023–2024 US & Europe



Northeast topped deal activity; west secured more investment dollars



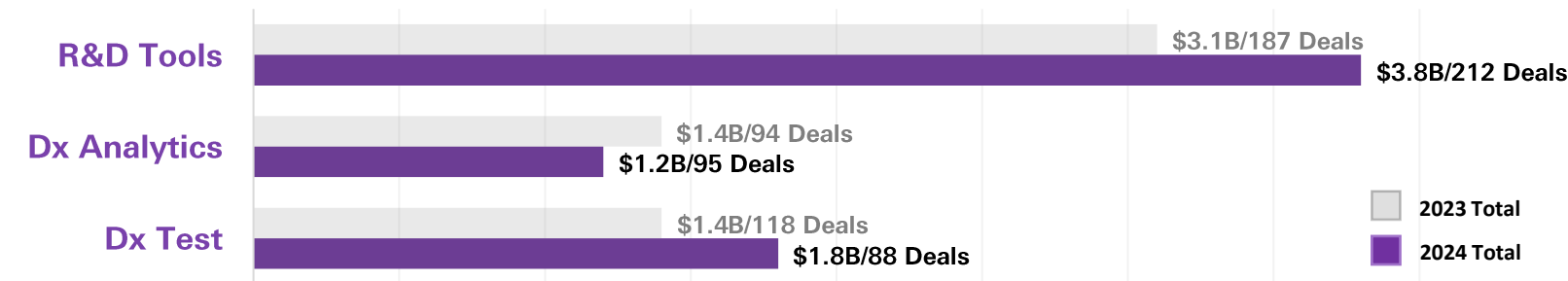
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Dx/Tools VC Investment by Subsector

2023–2024 US & Europe



R&D Tools and oncology-focused Dx Test deals staged comeback



		Indication	Size of Round/ (\$M) Step-up? ¹	Date/ Round	Location
1	Element Biosciences	R&D Tool Discovery	277	7/11 D	San Diego, CA
2	freenome	Dx Test Oncology	254	2/15 F	SF, CA
3	colossal C ²	R&D Tool Discovery	163	7/23 B	Austin, TX
4	cellanome	R&D Tool Discovery	150	1/29 B	Palo Alto, CA
5	PANTERA	R&D Tool Radiopharm a	148	9/11 A	Mol, Belgium

		Indication	Size of Round/ (\$M) Step-up? ¹	Date/ Round	Location
6	BILLION TO ONE	Dx Test Platform	130	6/21 D	Menlo Park, CA
7	ALAMAR BIOSCIENCES	R&D Tool Discovery	128	2/26 C	Fremont, CA
8	BostonGene	Dx Analytics Oncology	120	12/5 B2	Waltham, MA
9	NUSANO	R&D Tool Radiopharma	115	10/1 C	Santa Clarita, CA
10	cleerly	Dx Analytics Cardiovascular	106	12/4 C	Denver, CO

Valuation¹ Step-Up Flat Rd Step-Down

R&D Tools and Dx Test investment rose

Investment in R&D Tools increased in 2024 for the first time since 2021, halting a decline that saw a more than a 50% drop in funding. While advancements in new technology, including AI/ML, have enhanced discovery capabilities, limited exit opportunities, high instrumentation costs, and litigation risks from incumbents have restrained growth. Radiopharma manufacturing and supply, a hot area embraced by biopharma, accounted for three of the top 10 R&D Tools investments in 2024. Among the largest deals, the top two were later rounds (Series D and F), with step-downs in valuation, while the next two were Series B up rounds.

Dx Tests investment also rose in 2024, with dollar amounts surpassing 2023 and matching 2022 levels, though deal volume declined. Nonetheless, investment remains down by 50% compared with 2021 and 2020. Six of the top eight dx test deals were Series D or later, with commercial scalability attracting growth investor interest. Of these, three were up rounds (BilliontoOne, CytoVale, and ClevelandDx), and two were down rounds (Freenome and Karius). Oncology maintained its top position in dx test funding since 2021, securing four of the top eight largest dx test deals. The remaining four included three anti-infective deals and one focused on sepsis.

Dx Analytics dollars dropped, but deals remained steady

Precision medicine continues to attract investment in dx analytics, defined as actionable tools to guide physician treatment decisions. Tempus’s IPO in 2024 was a notable milestone for the sector, though the company had raised \$1.4B in private funding before the IPO and is currently valued at \$5.6B, nearly 50% below its 2022 post-money valuation.

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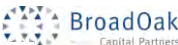
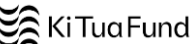
Dx/Tools Most Active Investors¹

2024 US & Europe



Stratified growth in venture/angel investment; corporate activity rose

ALL DEALS

Angel/VC	Corporate ³	Growth ²
7 	6 	3 
5 	3 	2     
3        	2    	
2                    	    	

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Dx/Tools Valuation¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



Larger Series B deals defied Dx/Tools trend of flat and down rounds

Stage	Deals with Valuations ¹ versus Total Activity	Median Round Size	Up Round ² Percentage	Pre-Money Valuation (by Percentile) in 2024	
Series B <\$40M	16 of 26	\$27M (\$8M in 2023)	44% (7/16) 63% (12/19 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$37M
				50th Pct	\$53M
				75th Pct	\$90M
Series B >\$40M	5 of 13	\$100M (\$60M in 2023)	80% (4/5) 67% (6/9 in 2023)	50th Pct	\$625M
Series C	8 of 18	\$51M (\$47M in 2023)	25% (2/8) 50% (4/8 in 2023)	50th Pct	\$105M
Series D+	10 of 18	\$63M (\$21M in 2023)	40% (4/10) 50% (3/6 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$89M
				50th Pct	\$220M
				75th Pct	\$1,008M

More down rounds in 2024

Dx/Tools deals saw many flat to down rounds in 2024. Only 43% (17 of 39) of deals with valuation information were up rounds, compared to 64% (25 of 39) in 2023. However, larger Series B rounds bucked this trend, with four of five deals with valuation information achieved up rounds (Cellanome at a 1.1x step-up, CN-Bio at 1.0x, Elegen at 1.3x, and Gameto at 1.2x).

Colossal pre-money values in Series B

Five Series B deals in 2024 had pre-money valuations over \$200M. Three of them were R&D Tools: Colossal Labs (\$1.4B pre-money), Cellanome (\$375M pre-money) and BigHat (\$260M pre-money). The remaining two were dx analytics company Octagos (\$800M pre-money) and dx test company Delphi (\$625M pre-money).

Mixed bag in later-stage deals

In Series C and later deals, dx analytics saw no up rounds, with all three deals flat. Dx Test deals had mixed results, with three down rounds and four up rounds. R&D Tools also experienced variability, with four down rounds, two flat deals, and two up rounds.

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Dx/Tools Largest Post-Money Values¹

2024 US & Europe



Traditional VC, growth and corporates led highest-valued dx/tools deals

LARGEST POST-MONEY VALUATIONS BY DX/TOOLS SUBSECTOR

Subsector	Company	Date	Deal Size (\$M)	Round	Post \$ (\$M)/ Step-up? ³	Focus	Notable/Lead New Investor(s)
Dx Test	freenoma	2/15	254	F	2,200	Oncology/ Development	Corporate, Growth
R&D Tool	colossal ²	7/22	162	B	1,562	Gene-editing/ Development	Angels, VC
Dx Analytics	BostonGene	12/5	120	B2	1,500	Oncology/ Commercial	Corporate
Dx Test	BILLION TO ONE	6/21	130	D	1,350	Oncology/ Commercial	Growth, VC
R&D Tool	Element Biosciences	7/11	277	D	1,044	Sequencing/ Commercial	Corporate, Xover
Dx Analytics	OCTAGOSHealth	7/9	43	B	843	Cardiovascular/ Commercial	Growth, VC
Dx Test	DELFI	6/3	100	B	725	Oncology/ Commercial	Corporate
R&D Tools	SmartCella SOLUTIONS	7/8	54	B	591	Gene/Cell Therapy/ Commercial	Corporate, Family Office

Valuation³ ■ Step-Up ■ Flat Rd ■ Step-Down

Up rounds highlighted flight to top deals, optimistic exit hopes

Mirroring 2023, the highest-valued private deals in 2024 saw more up rounds than down rounds (four versus two), highlighting the “haves versus have not” dynamic in the sector. While many dx/tools deals struggle to attract new VC investors at any valuation, top deals continued to secure substantial investment at large valuations, with traditional VCs acting as new investors in three of the four highest-valued step-ups in 2024.

Growth and traditional VCs placed bets in 2024 on the potential for large M&A deals or a reopened IPO window in the near term.

Corporate and VCs led top valuation plays

Corporate investment in the highest-valued deals remained strong, with four of eight deals in 2023 including corporate participation and three of eight in 2024 including corporate participation. Notable participants in 2024 included Samsung, Quest, and Merck Global Health.

Lookback: 2022’s largest post-money values show a large IPO, continued financings

A review of the largest post-money deals from 2022 reveals mixed progress. Tempus achieved a significant IPO, and Viz.ai completed a small add-on round. Four companies raised large financings, - yielding one up round (BilliontoOne at 1.3x), two flat rounds (Resilience, Delphi), and one down round (BostonGene at 0.6x).

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Dx/Tools Investment: Private M&A Analysis

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Dx/Tools Private VC-Backed M&A¹ by Indication

2018–2024



The two-year trend of a rough M&A environment continued in 2024

M&A MEDIAN VALUES

Date	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Deals	10	6	11	25	5	6	4
Up-Front (\$M)	\$126	\$68	\$350	\$225	\$100	\$117	\$97
Milestone TBE (\$M)	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$13	\$-
Total Deal (\$M)	\$161	\$83	\$350	\$270	\$100	\$129	\$97

NOTABLE 2024 M&A DEALS



2024 IPO: TEMPUS

7/14/24 \$411M raised; Post-IPO down 23% as of 12/31/24. Pre-money IPO value was a 0.6x step-down from last private round. Company raised \$1.4B in total private financing with its last post-money at \$10.3B on 10/20/22. Now trading at about half of last private post-money valuation.

2024 M&A activity remains slow

M&A activity over the past three years, both in volume and deal value, has remained significantly below the levels seen in 2020–2021. Acquirers have largely remained on the sidelines, increasing revenue ramp requirements and insisting on a clear path to profitability. Comp deal analyses have also taken a hit, as most of the IPOs from 2020-2021 have failed to maintain their market caps, with median declines exceeding 70% for those IPO classes. PE acquirers remain active, but the deal terms offered make it challenging for VCs to achieve strong returns.

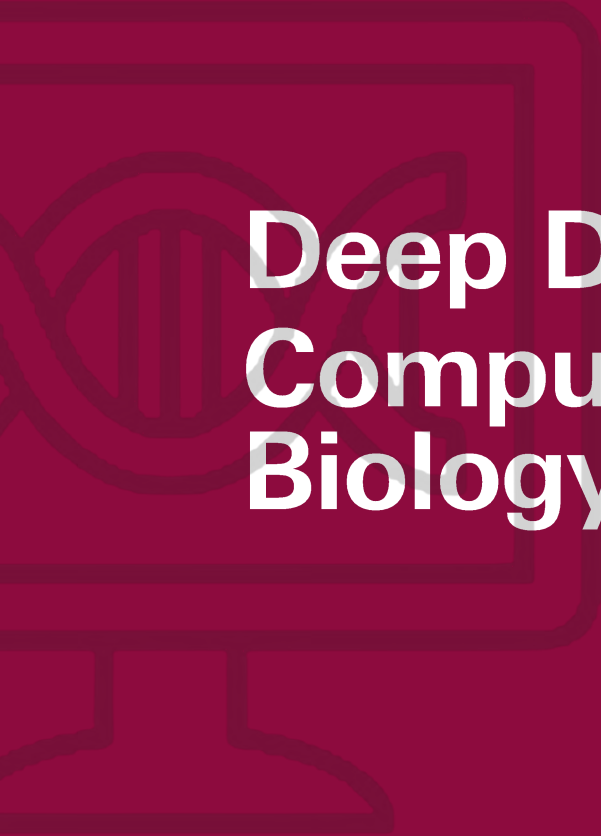
Dx Test and analytics deals highlight exits

All four exits in 2024 were commercial-stage companies. Core and imaware generated good multiples based on last-round post-money valuations.

Lots of promise for private later-stage deals

While our prediction of large M&As in 2H 2024 did not materialize, the group of 19 \$100M+ Dx/tool financings over the past two years, many at significant revenue thresholds, should produce some strong M&A/IPO candidates. We anticipate a handful of significant exits in 2025.

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Deep Dive: Computational Biology Analysis

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Computational Biology: Landscape

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Four main comp bio categories

Logos arranged in ascending order based on increasing deal size

AI Discovery (AID)

Post First-Financing



First-Financing



First-Financing:	All Deals:
\$1.45B Raised	\$4.5B Raised
15 Deals	63 Deals

Insight Platforms & Infrastructure (IPI)

Post First-Financing



First-Financing



First-Financing:	All Deals:
\$133M Raised	\$1.3B Raised
17 Deals	47 Deals

Diagnostics (Dx)

Post First-Financing



First-Financing



First-Financing:	All Deals:
\$82M Raised	\$966M Raised
7 Deals	24 Deals

Clinical Response Predication (CRP)



First-Financing:	All Deals:
\$47M Raised	\$500M Raised
5 Deals	18 Deals

In 2024, we identified 152 computational biology (comp bio) companies and analyzed 148 financing rounds that resulted in cumulative funding of \$7.3B.

For this analysis, to qualify as a comp bio company, a firm must apply computational tools to acquire novel chemical or biological insights in therapeutics, R&D Tools, and dx sectors only; have a leadership member with computational expertise; and have raised over \$2 million in a financing round.

Companies were classified into four categories, based on their products and use of computation:

- **AID:** optimization and discovery of novel targets, molecules, chemicals, and delivery systems.
- **IPI:** bio/chem characterization, development of data banks, computational infrastructure, and bio-manufacturing.
- **Dx:** diagnostics and long-term monitoring of biological markers.
- **CRP:** personalized medicine, clinical decision support software, and drug response prediction.

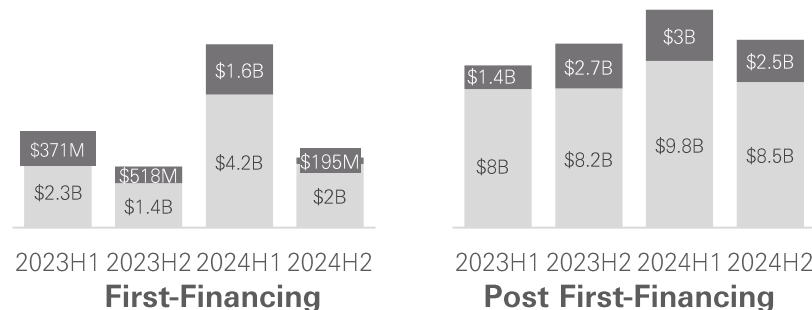
Computational Biology: Top Indicators

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Dollar Raised Comp vs. Non-Comp Bio

■ Comp Bio ■ Non-Comp Bio



Top 2024 Investors by Funding Round²

Top First-Financing

Investor	Deals
DIMENSION	3
LifeX Ventures Alumni Ventures	3
RACAPITAL	2
ARCH VENTURE PARTNERS	2
fist KdT Ventures	2

All Deals

Investor	Deals
RACAPITAL	5
Lilly	4
M. VENTURES	4
Washington Research FOUNDATION WRF CAPITAL	4
NVIDIA	3

Comp bio first-financing funding falters in 2H 2024

Comp bio first-financing surged to \$1.6B in 1H 2024, driven by Xiara's \$1B round, but fell 88% to \$195M in 2H 2024, more than 50% below the 2023 half-year average of \$445M. Deals dropped from 34 to 12, but the median size rose from \$8.5M to \$11.9M. Only one of the five \$50M+ comp bio deals took place in 2H (Hyku at \$64M).

AID still leads investments; IPI share increases

In 2H 2024, AID companies led first-financing rounds with 74% of funding (down from ~50% in 1H, excluding the Xiara deal), while IPI companies grew their share from 5% to 20%. DX saw no first-financing rounds, a two-year low.

Post first-financing slightly decreases

Post first-financing rounds decreased 17% for both comp and non-comp bio, with comp bio retaining a ~30% share at \$2.5B. AID companies were clear leaders, at 64% of all investments. Dx post first-financing dropped from \$648M in 1H 2024 to \$235M. Despite this decline, the top Dx companies shared a clear focus on liquid biopsy technologies, with Freenome, BillionToOne, and Delfi Diagnostics leveraging cfDNA for early detection through multi-omics, QCT molecular counting, and fragmentation analysis - showcasing the potential to guide personalized treatment decisions.

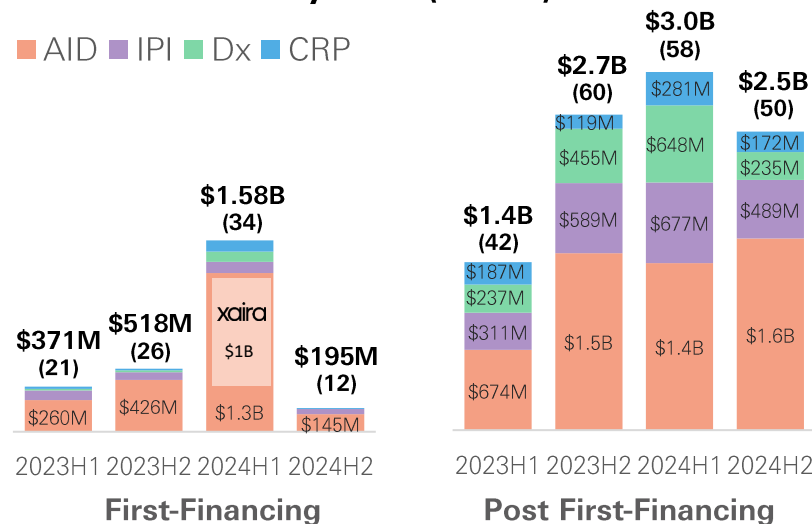
Investor mix was diverse, with growth, hedge, and corporates dominating later-stage

The top investors comprised a mix of traditional biopharma investors, generalist VCs, tech and bio corporates, and crossover funds.

For the later-stage comp bio companies raising large, highly-valued rounds, we noted new investors were growth/crossover investors like Sands and Premji, corporates like Microsoft joining insider-led rounds, or venture plus corporate syndicates like Andreessen Horowitz and Sanofi.

Dollars Raised by Half (Deals)

■ AID ■ IPI ■ Dx ■ CRP



Top 2024 Post-Money Valuations by Category¹

Company	Deal Size	Valuation
xaira	\$1B	\$2.7B
Formation Bio	\$372M	\$1.7B
SCORPION	\$150M	\$845M

Company	Deal Size	Valuation
Freenome	\$254M	\$2.2B
BillionToOne	\$130M	\$1.4B
D E L F I	\$100M	\$725M

Company	Deal Size	Valuation
INARI	\$103M	\$1.65B
enveda	\$174M	\$400M
triveni BIO	\$115M	\$310M

Company	Deal Size	Valuation
PATHOS	\$62M	\$600M
UNLEARN	\$50M	\$360M
LINUS BIO	\$6M	\$170M

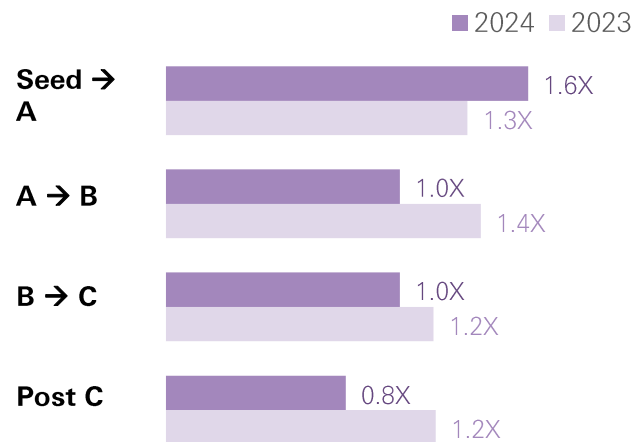
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Computational Biology: 12-Month Recap¹

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Median Step-Up Multiple by Round



Top Companies by Step-Up Multiple

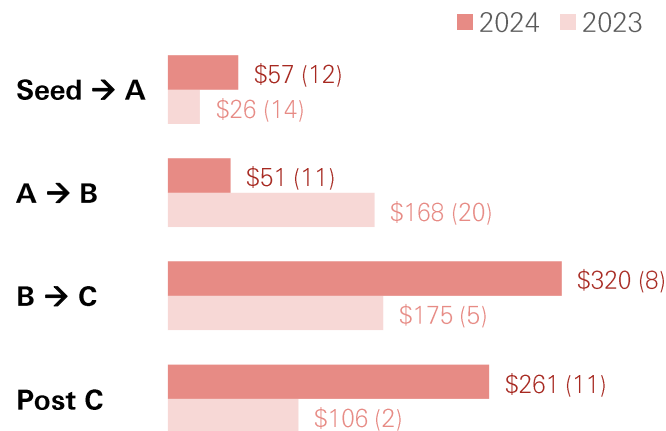
Seed → A	(4.6x)	(4.5x)	(2.8x)
A → B	(2.2x)	(1.4x)	(1.3x)
B → C	(1.3x)	(1.2x)	(1.1x)
Post C	(1.4x)	(1.3x)	(1.3x)

Comp bio step-up values down in later-stage rounds

Only 58 new investor-led comp bio ventures disclosed valuations in 2024, representing ~30% of all deals. The median step-up was 1.1x, a sharp decline from 1.3x in 2023. Seed to Series A step-up increased from 1.3x to 1.6x. However, a downward trend was noticeable across all post-Series A investment rounds, indicating a recalibration of valuations following the frothy market of 2021–2022 despite strong valuations emerging for AI-focused companies in the technology sector. Curiously, Series A and Series C and later deals saw pre-money values increase, likely because of strong partnerships, revenue, and/or clinical results.

Unsurprisingly, 10 of the 11 deals with step-ups exceeding 1.5x were Series A rounds. Among them, five were AID companies showcasing cutting-edge technologies, such as Moonwalk Biosciences, which focuses on precision epigenetic engineering, and Nabla Bio, which uses machine learning for antibody optimization. Three were IPI companies, and only one CRP, Zephyr, focused on optimizing patient-to-drug matching.

Median Pre-Money Value by Round (n)



Top Companies by Pre-Money Valuation

Seed → A	(\$289M)	(\$175M)	(\$164M)
A → B	(\$625M)	(\$232M)	(\$226M)
B → C	(\$695M)	(\$538M)	(\$521M)
Post C	(\$1.9B)	(\$1.65B)	(1.3B)

Of the top three companies with highest step-up multiples in each funding round in 2024 (12 deals), only four of the 12 – EvolutionaryScale, Formation Bio, Wobble Genomics, and Unlearn – secured funding in 1H 2024. This suggests that even with decreased early-stage funding in 2H 2024, investors concentrated their resources on a few high-potential companies, resulting in higher step-up multiples.

Top Series A deals led by comp bio VCs, corporates

For the top set-ups in Series A, we saw very few traditional biotech investors lead or participate in these rounds (Deerfield, RA). Instead, we noted tech or specific comp-bio focused investors, crossovers, and heavy participation by corporates, both tech (NVentures, Amazon, Hitachi) and biopharma (Eli Lilly).

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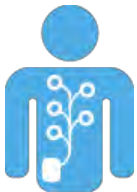


Med Device Early-Stage: First-Financing Analysis (Seed/Series A)

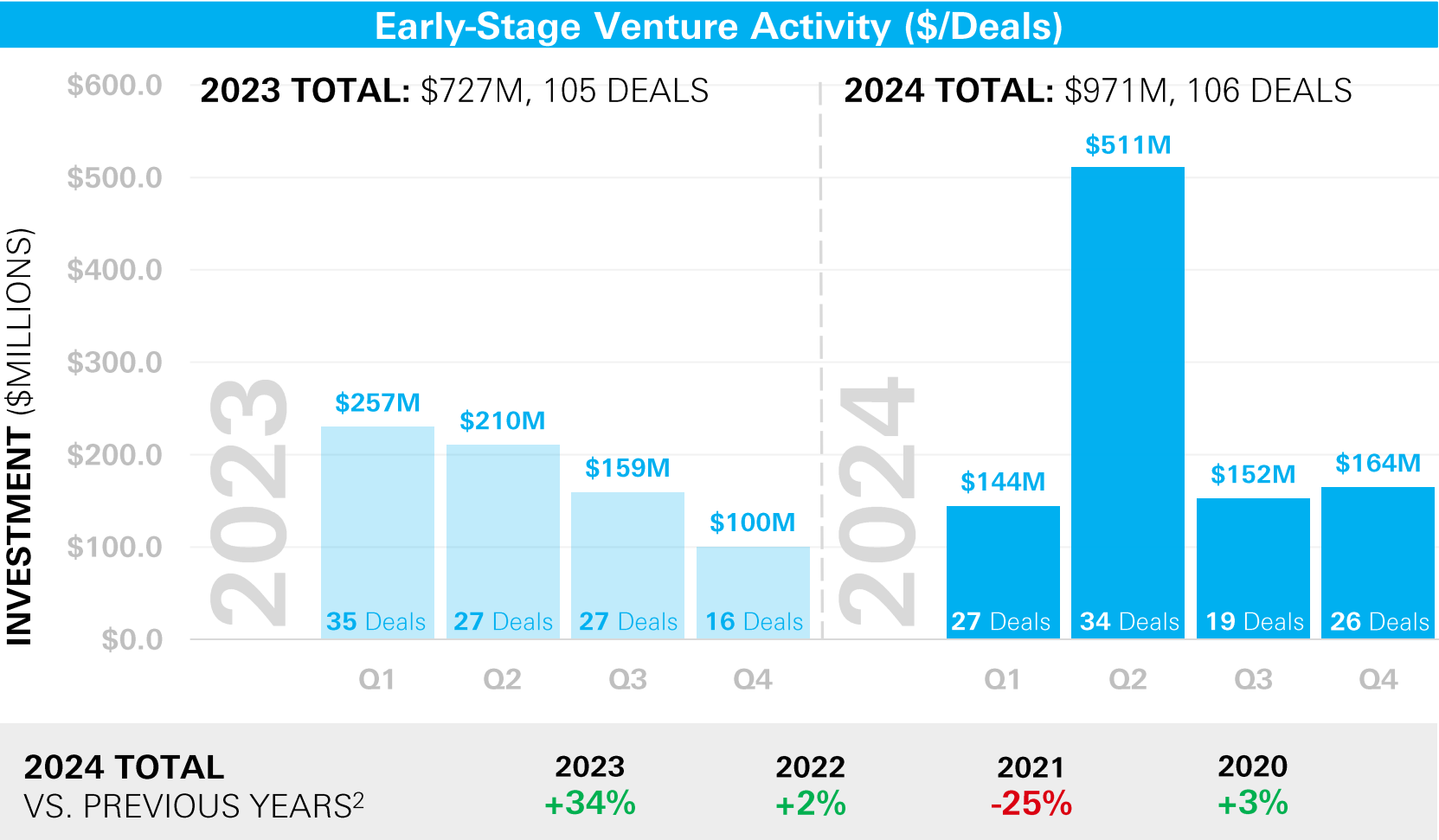
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Med Device First-Financing¹ Analysis

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Weak 2H highlighted Series B challenges and shift toward later-stage deals



First-financing investment continued its decline through 2023, reflecting a trend that began in 2H 2022. In 2024, investment levels stabilized but quarterly activity was inconsistent. A Q2 anomaly boosted totals, driven by the three largest first-financings of 2024: Amber, Horizon, and Cradle. However, annualized 2H 2024 investment shows total funding behind 2023 and trailing the prior three years by more than 40%.

VCs shifted to later-stage investments

While Series A deals remain heavily reliant on insider-round extensions, Series B financings saw an uptick in 2024, offering relief to some early-stage companies. New investors, drawn by the lower financing risk, attractive valuations, and potential for faster exits, showed a preference for later-stage deals. Seed and Series A deals struggled to attract attention under these dynamics.

Traditional VCs complete one-off first-financings

The med device sector appears well positioned to rebound from the first-financing down cycle, supported by VCs with fresh funds raised in the past two years. However, new Series A investments are increasingly one-offs, with firms prioritizing later-stage opportunities. Notable activity came from firms such as F-Prime, NEA, Lightstone, MVM, Deerfield, Treo, Vensana, Xontogeny, Sonder, TVM, and EQT; though Hatteras was the only VC firm to complete in more than one first-financing deal in 2024.

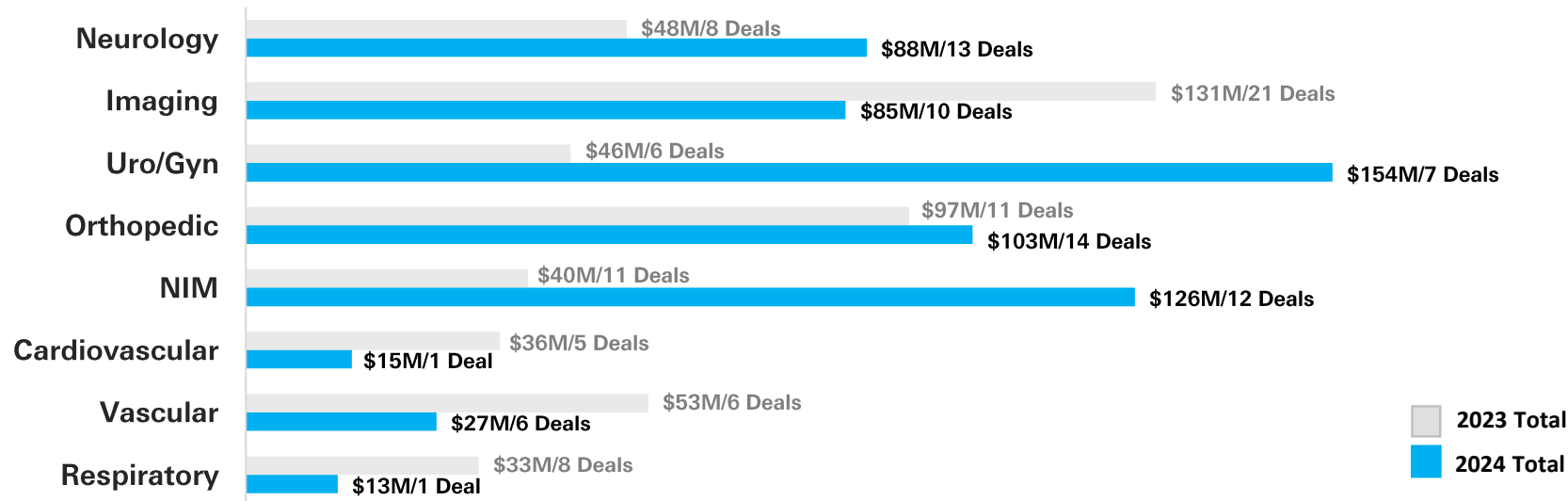
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Med Device First-Financing¹ by Indication²

2023–2024 US & Europe



Uro/Gyn interest continued to grow; neuro and NIM exceeded 2023 investment



Uro/Gyn, neuro, and NIM attracted strong early-stage interest

Uro/Gyn maintained strong Series A interest, with annual investment increases since 2022, solidifying its position as one of the top first-financing sectors in med device. Additionally, activity in this space was noted in deals categorized under imaging and non-invasive monitoring (NIM).

Neurology reversed a four-year decline in early-stage funding, with half of the deals leveraging neurostim or brain/computer interface technologies.

NIM saw a significant resurgence, tripling investment dollars from 2023. Vital sign monitoring and neuro indications drew the highest levels of interest.

In contrast, cardiovascular investment struggled at the Seed/Series A stages, with only one first-financing deal in 2024, Meacor, for \$15M.

Numbers at a glance (ten largest first-financing deals):

Indication
 NIM 2 deals
 Uro/Gyn 2 deals

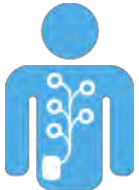
Location
 CA 4 deals
 OUS 2 deals

		Indication Focus	Size of Round (\$M)	Deal Date	Location			Indication Focus	Size of Round (\$M)	Deal Date	Location
1	AMBER THERAPEUTICS	Uro/Gyn Neurostim	100	6/9	London, UK	6	brighturo	Imaging Urology	32	5/10	Irvine, CA
2	Horizon	Ophthalmology Robotics	51	6/4	Malibu, CA	7	ico cet	Orthopedic Implant	30	1/24	Altstätten, Switzerland
3	Cradle	Surgical Regenerative	48	6/5	SF, CA	8	IVEAcare	Neuro Neurostim	28	1/24	Minneapolis, MN
4	Alle Health	NIM Metabolic	36	4/6	USA	9	ECM Therapeutics	Regenerative Hydrogel	26	5/30	Warrendale, PA
5	COACHCARE	NIM Vital Signs	32	6/13	New York, NY	10	novocuff	Uro/Gyn Neonatal	26	7/17	Mountain View, CA

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Med Device Valuation¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



Series A extensions led high pre-money values, driven by SaaS and neuro

Stage	Deals with Valuations ¹ versus Total Activity	Median Round Size	Pre-Money Valuation (by Percentile) in 2024	
Angel / Seed	7 of 31	\$4M \$5M (2023)	50th Pct	\$6M
Series A <\$15M	19 of 46	\$6M \$4M (2023)	25th Pct	\$8M
			50th Pct	\$16M
			75th Pct	\$34M
Series A >\$15M	16 of 28	\$23M \$25M (2023)	25th Pct	\$17M
			50th Pct	\$26M
			75th Pct	\$37M

SaaS and Series A extensions highlight smaller <\$15M Seed and Series A deals

Smaller Seed and Series A deals, particularly SaaS-based companies, commanded higher pre-money valuations, with four of the top five in NIM and imaging solutions (Dynocardia, BrainTemp, CairnSurgical, and Sonavex), all with pre-money valuations higher than \$30M.

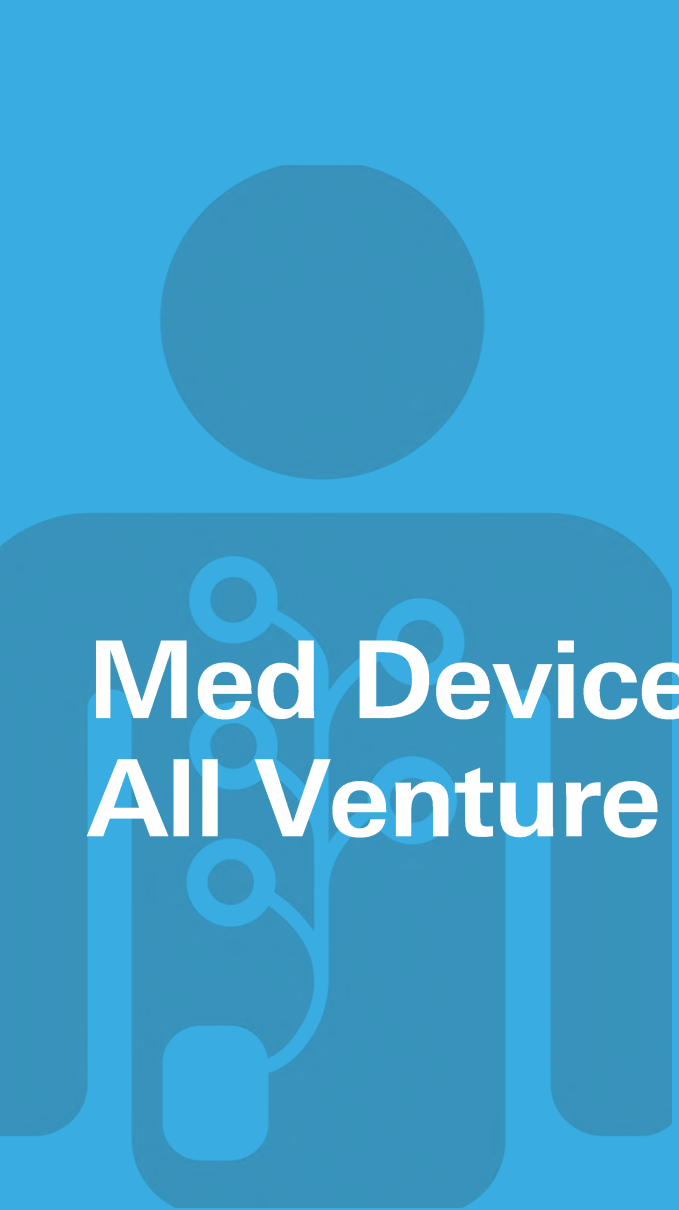
Notably, four of the top six pre-money valuations in smaller Series A deals were Series A extensions, underscoring the challenge of finding new Series B lead investors.

Larger Series A pre-money values across indications

Neurostim and brain/computer interface technologies continue to attract high pre-money valuations for Series A deals, including Paradromics (\$250M pre-money), Invicta (\$50M pre-money), and Otolith (\$46M pre-money), all of which were Series A extensions.

Orthopedic and NIM technologies both saw multiple financings with \$70M+ pre-money valuations, including orthopedic deals Icotec and Cionic and NIM deals Allez Health and Dynocardia. Two of these four deals were Series A extensions.

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Med Device Investment: All Venture Deals

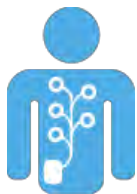
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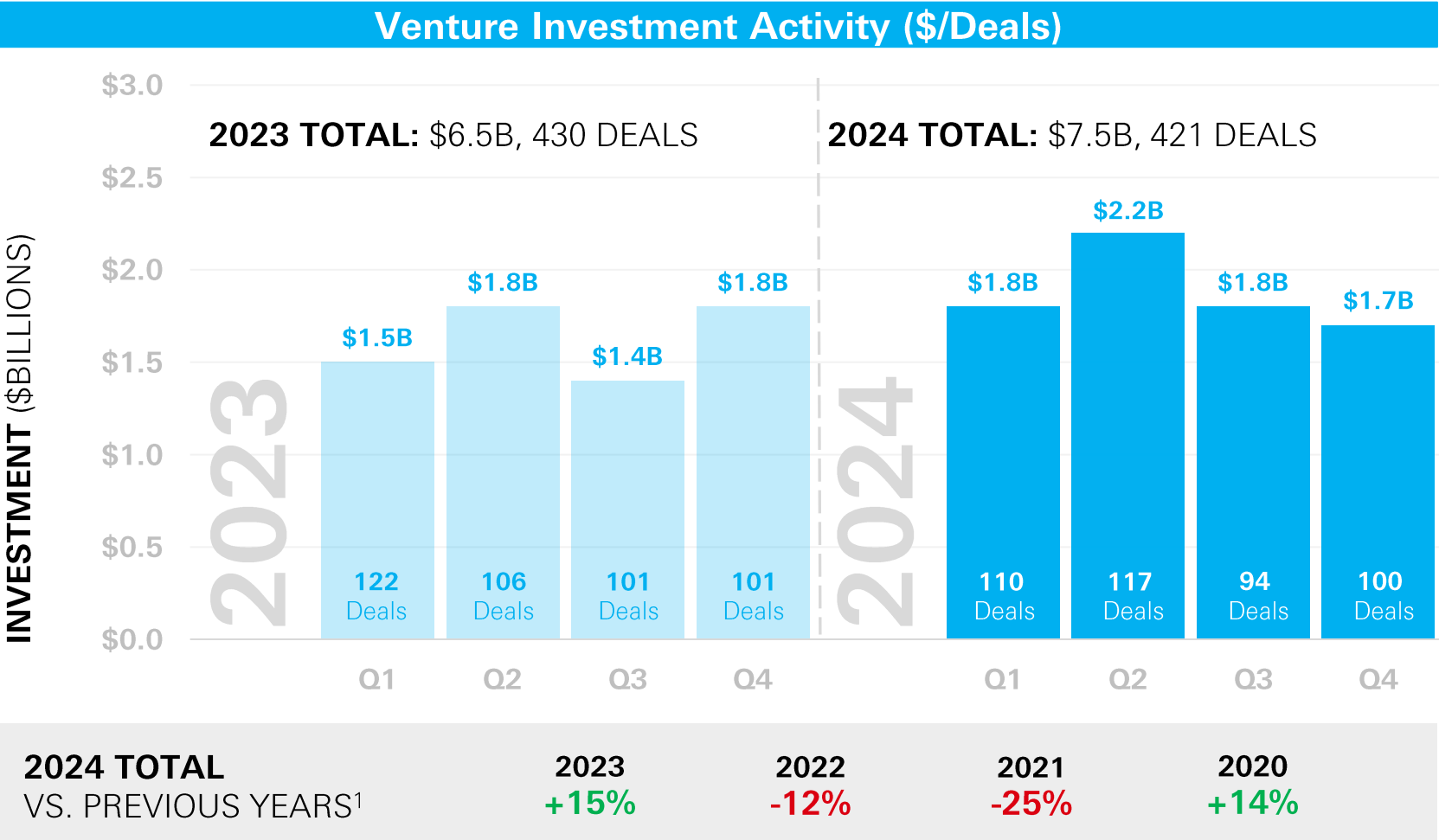
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Med Device Analysis (All Deals)

2023–2024 US & Europe



Med device investment remained stable amid first-financing decline



Despite a decline in first-financing, med device investment demonstrated stability, maintaining consistent deal flow and funding levels compared with prior years. Predictions that most insider-round companies would close new investor-led rounds did not hold, with many closing insider extensions instead. However, the unexpected surge in new investor-led, later-stage financing highlighted the ongoing disparity between “haves” and “have nots.” The top 10% of med device financings attracted 60% of all investment dollars, the highest percentage among all sectors.

Strong mix of capital sources drove later-stage financing
In 2024, later-stage med device deals were backed by a wide range of capital sources, including traditional VC, growth, PE, and crossover investors. Additionally, corporates from pharma, diagnostics, and med tech returned to the med device market, funding both larger and smaller deals. This diversity represents the most varied funding sources for med device in a decade – a positive sign for the sector.

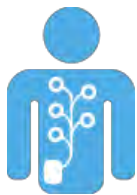
The 20 largest financings in 2024 supported both commercial and development-stage projects. Eleven deals focused on commercial 510(k) products, two funded commercial PMA/De Novo deals, and seven were pre-commercial financings, including three development-stage PMA and four PMA pivotal trials.

Series B deals find new investors, many step-ups
Series B funding, typically challenging to secure, particularly for PMA projects, closed 47 financings in 2024. Among the 27 deals with valuation data, 15 were up rounds, seven were flat, and only four were down rounds.

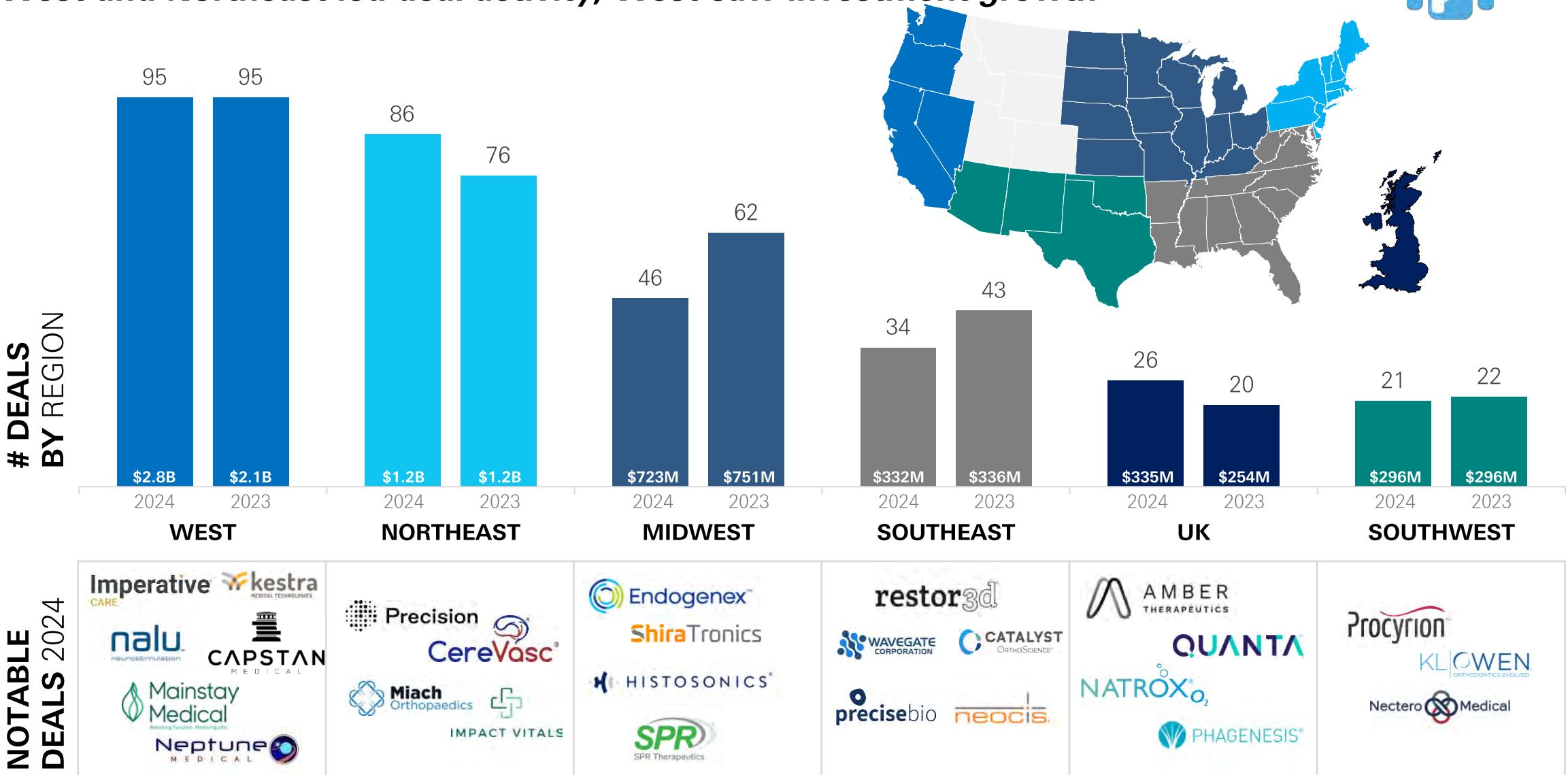
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Med Device Deal Activity by Region

2023–2024 US & Europe

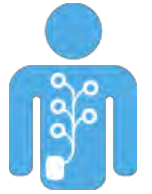


West and Northeast led deal activity; West saw investment growth

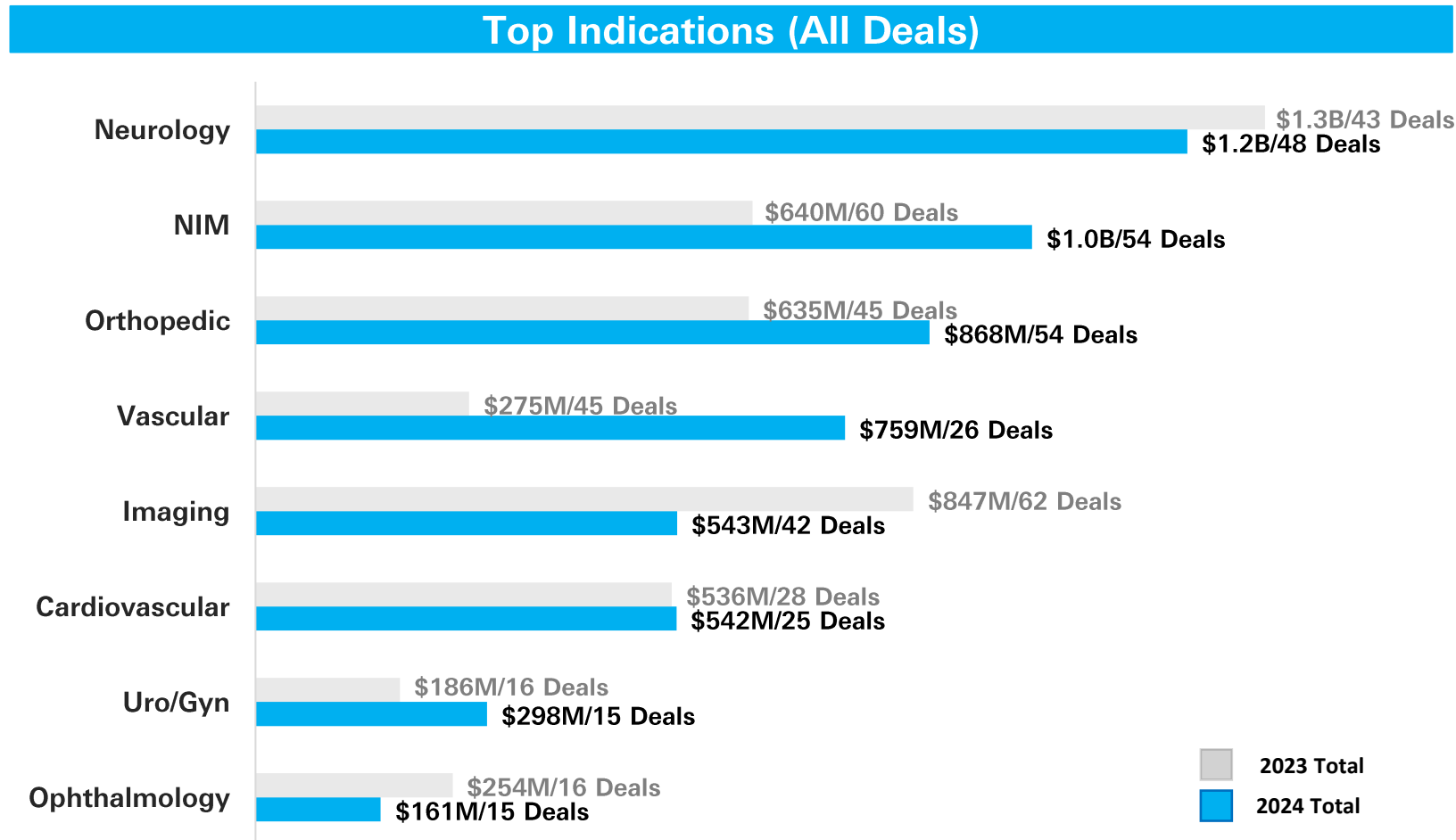


Med Device Investment by Indication¹

2023–2024 US & Europe



NIM, orthopedic, vascular attracted investment; neuro, cardio remained stable



Neuro leads investment; NIM, ortho and vascular up

Neuro maintained its leadership in med device investment in 2024, with brain/computer interface technologies (Blackrock, Precision, and INBRAIN) securing three of the top eight largest neuro financings. Neurostim technologies dominated, featuring in 21 of 46 deals, led by Nalu, SPR, ShiraTronics, and Cala Health. Despite strong investment, neurology saw more flat and down rounds (eleven combined) than up rounds (five).

NIM rebounded strongly, surpassing \$1B investment in 2024. Cardiovascular and metabolic secured 11 NIM deals each, followed by six deals in vital sign monitoring and uro/gyn.

Vascular and orthopedics investment also grew. Orthopedics deals focused on both implant technologies (19 deals) and surgical robotics (seven deals), while vascular financing included five \$50M+ deals: two for commercial 510(k) products and three in clinical stages (one in development and two pivotal).

Imaging investment declines

Imaging investment has experienced significant annual fluctuations, ranging between \$500M and \$1B a year since 2020. With a crowded market and limited acquirers, the focus in imaging has shifted to technologies that enhance therapy planning and guidance. In 2024, oncology and cardiovascular were the leading areas for imaging investments.

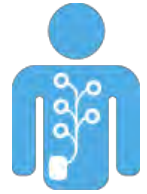
Cardiovascular remained stable

Cardiovascular investment in 2024 remained steady compared to 2023 but was down 15-20% from 2020-2022 levels. There were seven deals exceeding \$40M, including four in development or feasibility trials, two in pivotal trials, and one commercial-stage deal.

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Med Device Largest Investment in 2024

2024 US & Europe



Commercial stage dominated largest med device deals in 2024

LARGEST MED DEVICE INVESTMENTS IN 2024

		Indication Focus	Size of Round/ (\$M) Step-up? ¹	Date/ Round	Location		Indication Focus	Size of Round/ (\$M) Step-up? ¹	Date/ Round	Location	
1		Neuro Brain/Comp	200	4/29 D	Salt Lake City, UT	6		Cardiovascular Structural Heart	110	12/11 C	Santa Cruz, CA
2		NIM Cardiovascular	190	7/15 N/A	Kirkland, WA	7		Surgical Robotic	110	2/21 C	Pisa, Italy
3		Vascular Stroke	150	7/25 E	Campbell, CA	8		Surgical Ablation	102	9/15 D	Plymouth, MN
4		Orthopedic Neurostim	135	2/26 Late Stage	San Diego, CA	9		Uro/Gyn Neurostim	100	6/9 A	London, UK
5		Neuro Neurostim	115	10/9 E	Carlsbad, CA	10		Surgical Robotic	97	4/2 D	Burlingame, CA

Valuation¹

Step-Up

Flat Rd

Step-Down

Seven of the 10 largest med device deals in 2024 were commercial stage, including five 510(k) deals and two PMA/De Novo financings. The remaining pre-commercial deals were PMA-focused, comprising two development stage deals and one pivotal trial funding targeting different indications.

Notably, corporate investors joined as new syndicate members in four of these ten deals.

Interestingly, there is growing investor interest in pivotal trial funding for both cardiovascular and urology indications.

Numbers at a glance (10 largest deals)

Indication	
Surgical	3 deals
Neuro	2 deals

Location	
California	5 deals
OUS	2 deals

Lookback: 2022 largest private financings revealed mixed outcomes through 2024

The 11 largest med device financings from 2022 delivered mixed results, with only one exit. Ceribell achieved a successful IPO, while Nalu and Histosonics secured significant financings at flat and up rounds, respectively. Among the others, three deals raised inside rounds, two turned to debt, two had no announced financings, and one underwent a forced merger/consolidation.

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Med Device Most Active Investors¹

2024 US & Europe



Traditional VCs led multiple deals, as growth investors saw expanded involvement

ALL DEALS

Angel/VC	Corporate ³	Growth ²
3	4	3
2	3	2
2	2	2

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Med Device Valuation¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



Flat and down rounds dominated late stage; Series B valuation concerns grew

Stage	Deals with Valuations ¹ versus Total Activity	Median Round Size	Up Round ² Percentage	Pre-Money Valuation (by Percentile) in 2024	
Series B <\$40M	18 of 33	\$14M \$15M (2023)	67% (12/18) 68% (17/25 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$39M
				50th Pct	\$66M
				75th Pct	\$95M
Series B >\$40M	9 of 14	\$57M \$41M (2023)	44% (4/9) 33% (1/3 for 2023)	25th Pct	\$56M
				50th Pct	\$58M
				75th Pct	\$74M
Series C	16 of 27	\$39M \$23M (2023)	44% (7/16) 67% (12/18 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$52M
				50th Pct	\$73M
				75th Pct	\$132M
Series D+	14 of 25	\$65M \$46M (2023)	21% (3/14) 61% (11/18 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$95M
				50th Pct	\$190M
				75th Pct	\$251M

While 2024 saw an increase in new investor-led rounds, the number of up rounds declined, particularly in Series C and later, where 20 of 30 deals with valuation information secured flat or down rounds.

Large Series B valuations misaligned with M&A trends

In 2024, three Series B pre-money valuations exceeded \$120M: Casana (NIM, cardiovascular), Third Pole (Series B extension, respiratory), and Amplitude Vascular (Series B extension, vascular). Additionally, seven other Series B pre-money valuations surpassed \$100M. Four of the seven were Series B extensions.

However, with M&A up-front deal medians under \$300M, the ability of these deals to deliver strong M&A returns remains uncertain, raising the possibility that many of these deals had structure inducements for new investors.

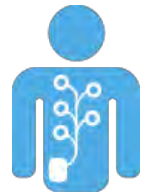
Top Series C valuations in neuro, orthopedic, and surgical

Six deals achieved pre-money valuations of \$100M or more, with five of six being step-ups. There were two neuro deals (Precision with a step-up of 2.6x, Noctrix at 2.4x), and one each in imaging (Promaxo at 1.8x), orthopedic (Carlsmed at 1.6x), dermatology (CUTISS at 1.2x), and cardiovascular (Adona Medical at 1.3x).

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Med Device Largest Post-Money¹ Values

2024 US & Europe



510(k) revenue-stage companies dominated list; VC and Corporate remained active

LARGEST POST-MONEY VALUATION BY MED DEVICE INDICATION

Indication	Company	Date	Deal Size (\$M)	Round	Post \$ (\$M)/ Step-up? ²	Stage	Notable/Lead New Investor(s)
NIM Sleep/Fertility	ŌURA	11/19	75	D	5,000	Commercial 510(k)	Corporate
Vascular Stroke	Imperative CARE	7/25	150	E	1,650	Commercial 510(k)	Growth, VC, Corporate
Surgical Ablation	HISTOSONICS	8/15	102	D	610	Commercial 510(k)	Growth, VC
Neuro Brain/Computer	Precision	10/17	93	C	505	Pivotal Trial	Hedge, VC
Neuro Neurostim	nalu neurostimulation	10/9	115	E	390	Commercial 510(k)	Growth, VC
NIM Cardiovascular	casana	1/2	40	B	340	Commercial 510(k)	Corporate, VC
Dental Robotics	neocis	1/10	60	D	311	Commercial 510(k)	Corporate, VC
Imaging Cardiovascular	IONETIX	8/7	Unknown	Later	300	Commercial 510(k)	Unknown

Valuation²

Step-Up Flat Rd Step-Down

Post-money median increased

The median post-money for the eight highest-valued companies increased slightly from 2023 but remained well below 2022 levels. Notably, five of these eight largest post-money deals in 2024 secured strong up round support.

Commercial rounds dominated valuations

Commercial-stage rounds commanded the highest valuations in 2024, a shift from 2023 when half the top eight deals were still in clinical trials. The sustainability of these valuations will depend on the revenue growth and their performances in M&A or IPO markets over the next few years.

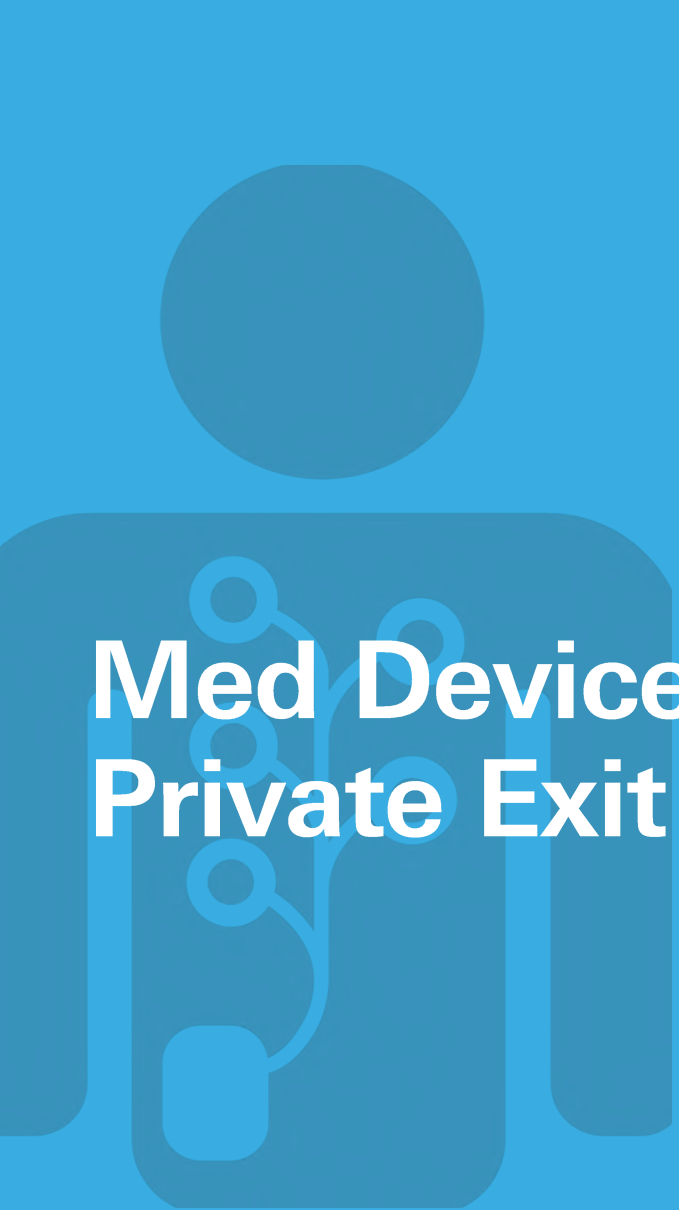
Corporate support for later-stage grew

Corporate investors participated in half of the top-valued deals in 2024, reflecting strong interest in supporting commercial growth. Corporates are more willing to assume the dual risk of clinical and reimbursement challenges when the product aligns with their domain expertise. Notably, in med device since 2018, M&A by a corporate that was also an equity investor yielded the highest percentage (15%) among healthcare sectors.

2022 update: the top seven post-money review highlights an exit, financing, and mergers

The top seven highest-valued companies from 2022 delivered mixed outcomes. Kerecis achieved a significant exit with its acquisition by Coloplast for up to \$1.3B. Athelas and Bioformis completed non-exit mergers, while Reflexion and Distalmotion secured large private financings. The remaining two companies closed debt transactions.

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Med Device Investment: Private Exit Analysis



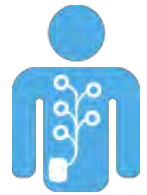
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Med Device Private VC-Backed M&A¹ by Indication

2018–2024



After a weak 1H 2024, Edwards, Stryker spurred Q3 M&A rally; Ceribell IPO shined

M&A MEDIAN DEAL VALUES

Date	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Deals	20	17	16	23	10	9	14
Up-Front (\$M)	195	120	132	250	138	400	288
Milestone TBE (\$M)	43	35	100	---	130	120	63
Total Deal (\$M)	223	220	223	300	255	600	338

NOTABLE 2024 M&A DEALS

Artelon	→	stryker	V-WAVE	→	Johnson & Johnson
attune medical	→	HAEMONETICS	PARAGONIX	→	GETINGE
OPUS	→	Alcon	Vertos	→	stryker
EndoGastric Solutions	→	MERIT MEDICAL	NICO	→	stryker
inn valve	→	Edwards	gyneSUNICS	→	HOLOGIC
ENDOTRONIX	→	Edwards	cortex	→	Boston Scientific
JENAVALVE	→	Edwards	endomag	→	HOLOGIC

2024 IPO: ceribell 10/11/24 \$180M Raised; massively oversubscribed, post-IPO up 47% as of 12/31. The IPO pre-money was a 1.3x step-up from last private round. Revenue profile: \$45M revenues FY 2023; \$30M revenues in first six months of 2024.

Q3 M&A rally

High-value 2023 exits fueled optimism for future M&A and encouraged investors to invest in new deals in 2024. However, exits in 1H 2024 were slow, with only three exits. In Q3, we noted a significant uptick in M&A with nine deals, including three led by Edwards. There were 14 venture-backed M&A deals in 2024, the highest since 2021.

An IPO highlights Q4

While Q4 saw limited private M&A activity with only two deals, it marked the year's first med device IPO. Ceribell (NIM, neuro) raised \$180M in IPO proceeds at a pre-money step-up from its last private round and has since traded to nearly 2x its IPO post-money value, generating public market excitement for 2025. However, revenue predictability and achieving profitability on IPO proceeds remain critical factors for future IPO candidates.

Private M&A time to exit raises concern

The median time to exit from first-financing increased to 11.9 years in 2024, more than double 2021's 5.8-year median. This extended timeline may be contributing to the decline in first-financing.

2024 top M&A by indication

Cardiovascular 5 deals Med Upfront: \$500M
Orthopedic 2 deals Med Upfront: \$415M

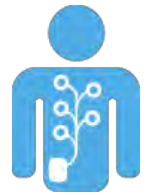
Top acquirers

Edwards and Stryker drove M&A momentum in 2024 with three deals each, while Hologic completed two. Looking ahead, there is optimism that Medtronic, Boston Scientific, and J&J will become more active.

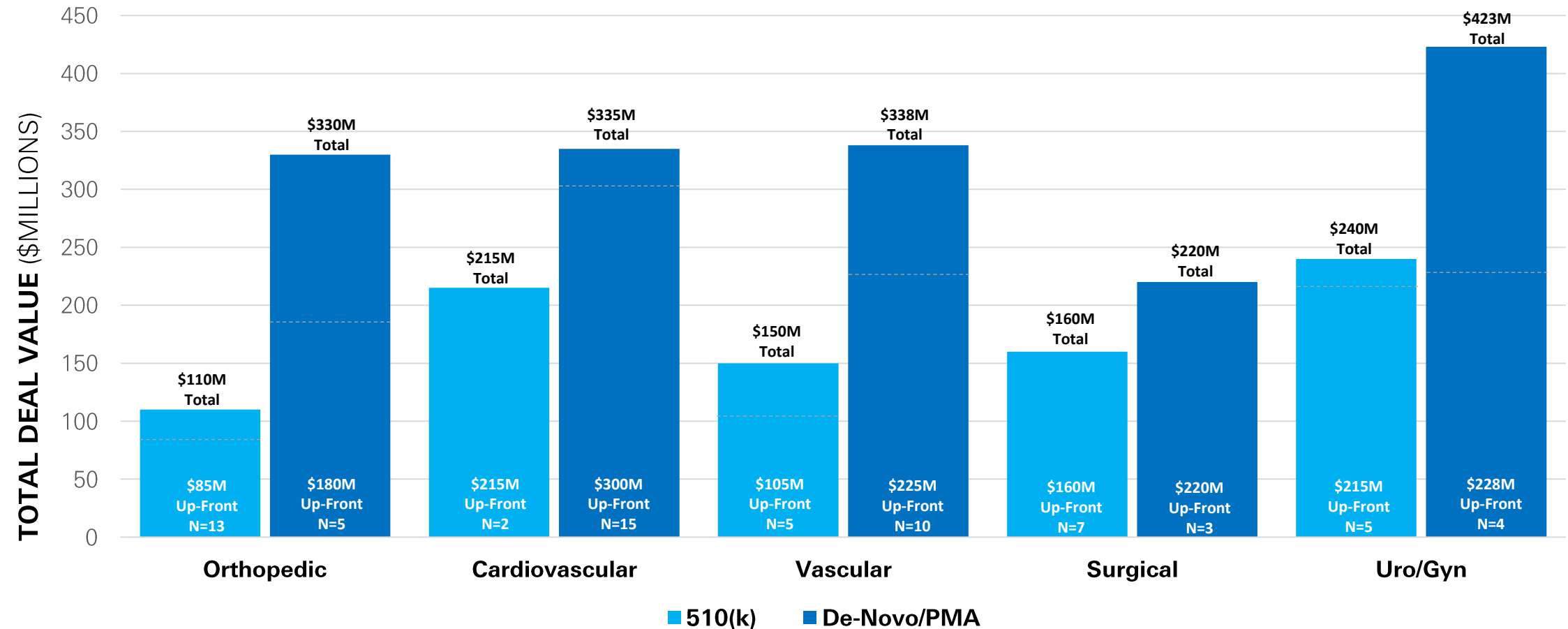
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Med Device Private M&A by Indication¹, Pathway

2018–2024



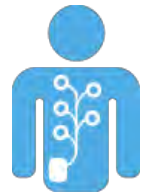
Seven-year Median Up-Front and Total Deal Values in Most Active Indications



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Med Device Private VC-Backed M&A¹ by Pathway

2018–2024



PMA deal value increased; 510(k) tended to commercial stage at lower values

PMA M&A MEDIAN VALUES

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
# of Deals	7	5	7	10	4	6	4
Commercial Stage/ Development Stage	2/5	2/3	1/6	5/5	0/4	5/1	1/3
Up-Front (\$M)	215	210	118	275	268	328	550
Milestone TBE (\$M)	0	0	100	18	238	158	260
Total Deal (\$M)	220	300	220	300	725	625	810
Invested Capital (\$M)	30	97	16	63	55	72	134
Time to Exit (Years)	6.7	13.9	3.4	7.6	6.8	9.8	13.8

510(k) M&A MEDIAN VALUES

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
# of Deals	9	12	7	12	5	3	10
Commercial Stage/ Development Stage	9/0	11/1	5/2	12/0	5/0	3/0	10/0
Up-Front (\$M)	135	104	80	188	132	400	254
Milestone TBE (\$M)	50	38	40	0	110	100	0
Total Deal (\$M)	200	165	200	200	250	400	293
Invested Capital (\$M)	41	23	26	39	8	146	57
Time to Exit (Years)	8.1	7.2	7.8	5.3	8.2	8.8	11.1

PMA deals typically sold before approval; deal value scaled in 2023 and 2024

In PMA-focused companies, most exits (27 of 43) occurred before FDA approval, as acquirers acted quickly for large-market opportunities, often acquiring based on pivotal data. While median exit values have reached record highs, so has invested capital needed to achieve an exit. Thoughtful financing plans and exit optionality are critically important: companies must approach mezzanine rounds carefully, as high valuations and public-minded mezzanine investors can create pressure to pursue an IPO in an uncertain market and can significantly impact M&A returns.

PMA: median up-front divided by capital invested
2023: 4.6x 2024: 4.1x

510(k) companies required commercial scale, which leads to longer exit times

Over the past three years, all 17 venture-backed 510(k) exits were for FDA-cleared, revenue-generating products. While deal values have been inconsistent, the last two years saw the highest up-front and total deal values in seven years. However, time to exit and capital invested have increased, likely due to the challenging IPO market and acquirers requiring both higher revenue numbers and a clearer path to profitability.

510(k): Median up-front divided by capital invested
2023: 2.7x 2024: 3.7x

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Healthtech Early-Stage: First-Financing Analysis (Seed/Series A)

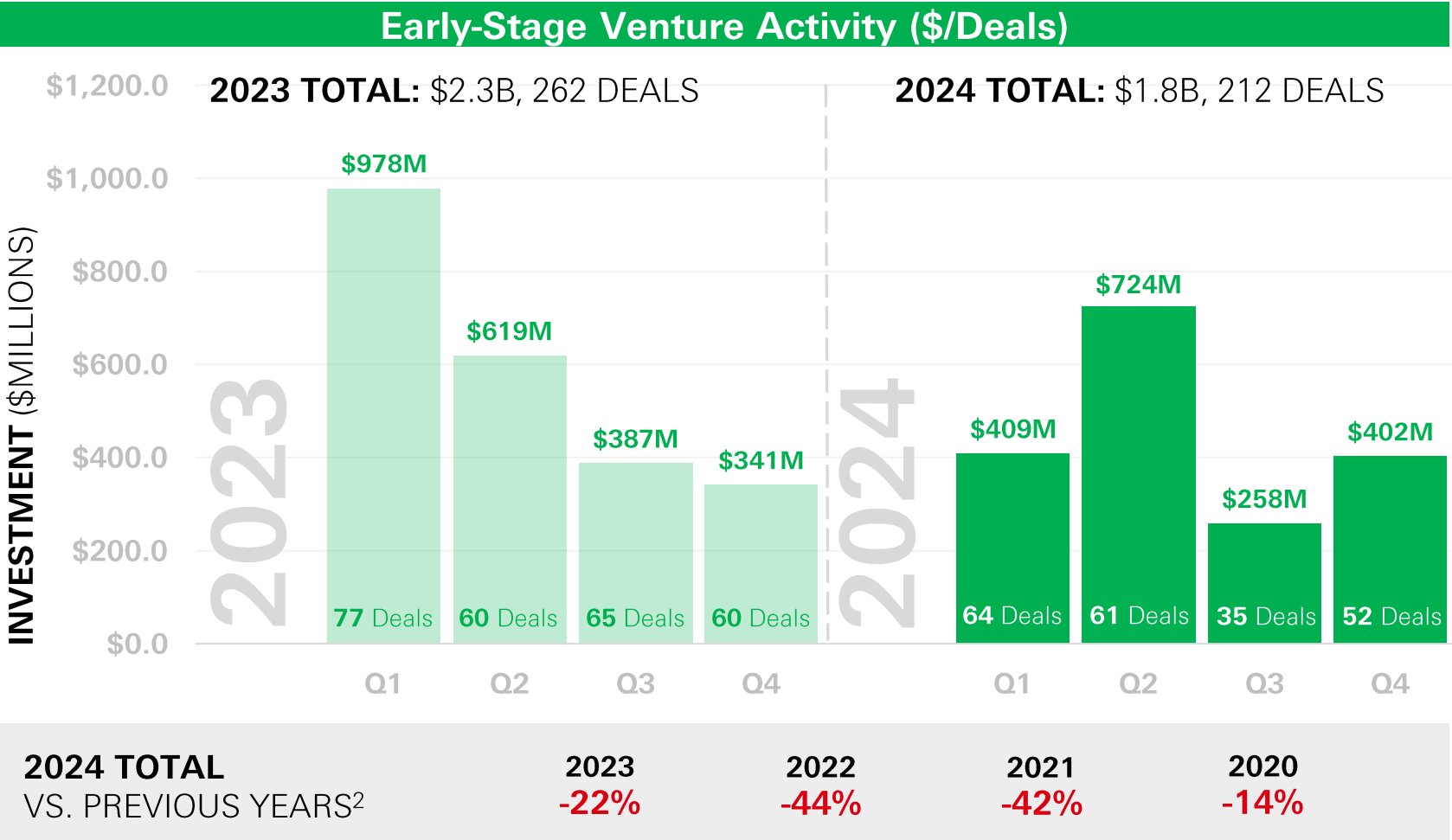
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Healthtech First-Financing¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



Larger deals declined, Series A deal investments stabilized



2024 first-financing normalization with fewer big deals

The dollars and deals in 2024 indicate a return to normalcy after a surge in early-stage financing during 2021–2022, fueled by tourist investors and inflated valuations. While 2023 began strong with a focus on early-stage investments, activity weakened each quarter, ending the year poorly. In 2024, quarterly numbers were mixed but showed a positive trend with increased investment compared to 2H 2023.

However, the number of large first financings (>\$50M) decreased from nine in 2023 to only five in 2024, reflecting fewer larger syndicate-led deals.

Focus on AI and large underserved populations

AI attracted significant investment in 2024, with over 80 deals and \$680M invested. Key AI innovations focused on reducing provider administrative burdens, optimized workflows, and enabling predictive analytics in clinical trials. Notable deals included Pi Health (\$72M), Advanced Medicine Partners (\$60M), and Humata Health (\$25M).

Investments in companies addressing underserved populations also increased, with four of the top 10 largest first-financings targeting senior care companies (e.g., Tuesday Health and Habitat Health) and two focusing on women’s health (LunaYou and Axena Health).

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Valuations stabilized as larger Series A deals saw pre-money grow

Stage	Deals with Valuations ¹ versus Total Activity	Median Round Size	Pre-Money Valuation (by Percentile) in 2024	
Angel / Seed	25 of 79	\$5M \$4M (2023)	25th Pct	\$6M
			50th Pct	\$9M
			75th Pct	\$12M
Series A <\$11M	32 of 73	\$6M \$6M (2023)	25th Pct	\$12M
			50th Pct	\$20M
			75th Pct	\$35M
Series A >\$11M	51 of 85	\$19M \$20M (2023)	25th Pct	\$32M
			50th Pct	\$46M
			75th Pct	\$106M

Down rounds in 2024 stabilized early-stage pre-money valuations

In 2024, a wave of publicly disclosed down rounds emerged as companies that relied on inside rounds in 2022 and 2023 returned to the market to attract new investors. This trend was anticipated, as most companies either adjusted to more appropriate valuations or, in rare cases, grew into their prior valuations. This activity helped stabilize valuations with investors, who are emphasizing strong business fundamentals (smart growth and path to profitability). Pre-money valuations for both Seed and smaller Series A deals remained largely unchanged from 2023 levels.

Large Series A fundings grew as syndicates mitigated Series B risk

Large Series A fundings continued across healthcare sectors in 2024, as multi-investor syndicates helped to reduce Series B financing risk. Healthtech saw notable pre-money increases in larger Series A deals, with 75th percentile pre-money valuation rising by 65% over 2023, from \$60M to \$106M. The highest pre-money Series A valuations were led by wellness and education companies, including Hippocratic AI (\$410M pre-money), Levels (\$266M pre-money) and Oxefit (\$207M pre-money), as well as provider ops companies, such as Diverge Health (\$523M pre-money), and Fabric (\$310M pre-money). While technically Series A deals, all five of these companies had previously raised significant equity funding.

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Healthtech Investment: All Venture Deals

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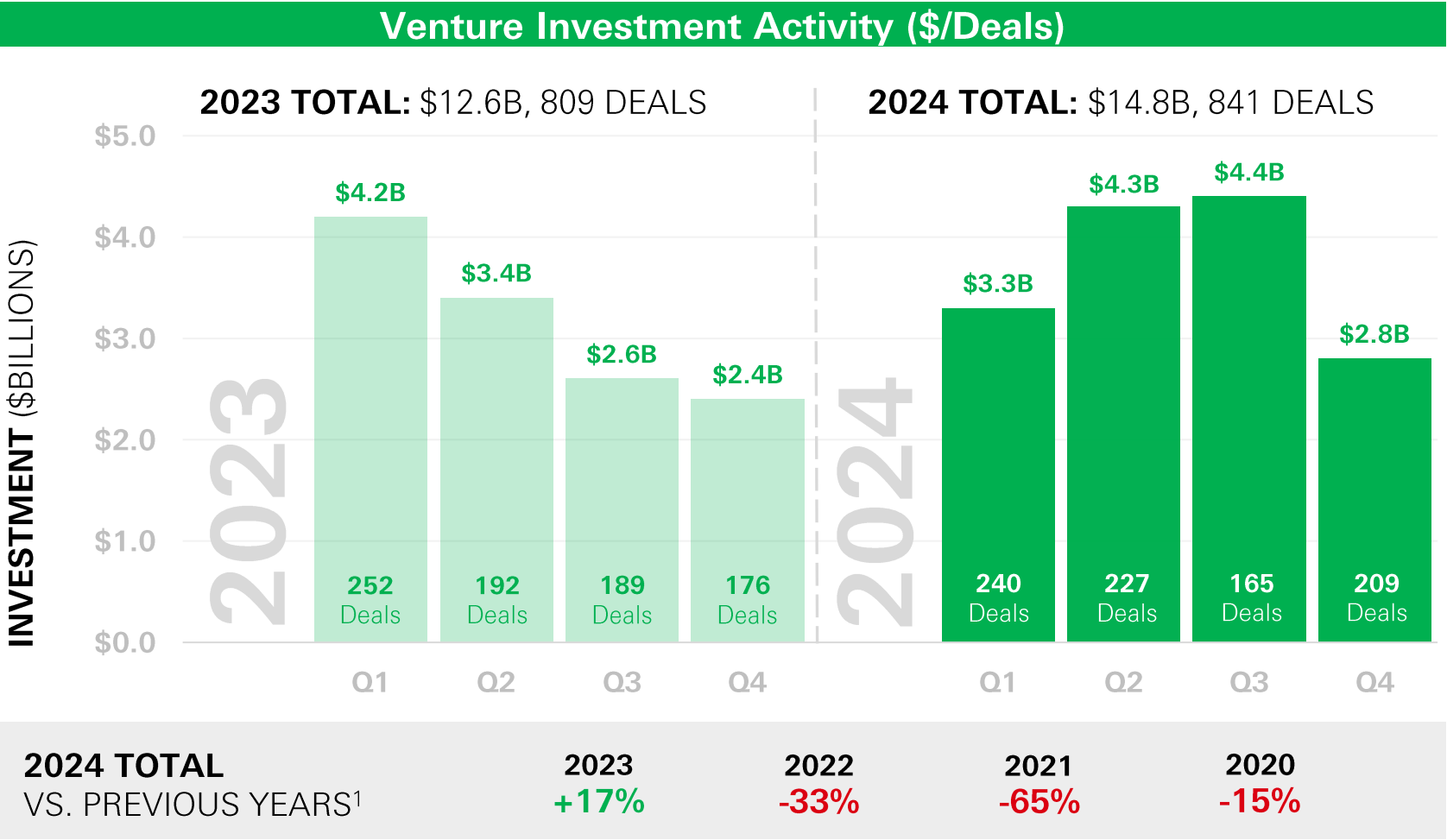
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Healthtech VC Investment (All Deals)

2023–2024 US & Europe



2024 signals recovery and market normalization for the healthtech sector



Investment rebounded in 2024

After the challenges of 2023, marked by inside rounds, valuation resets, and the banking crisis, 2024 showed recovery, stabilizing near 2020 levels. Investor activity surged, particularly in mid-to-later-stage companies, with 58% of post-first financing deals featuring an outside lead investor, up from 49% in 2023. Investment volume also gained positive momentum, reflecting improved financing trends. Fewer insider and unlabeled rounds, combined with larger investments in mature companies, indicate a return to a more normalized market.

Later-stage rounds regained momentum; clinical AI emerged as a key theme

The number of large deals (\$100M–\$200M) increased to 19 in 2024, up from 15 in 2023. While alternative care companies dominated major financing in 2023, 2024 marked the maturation of clinical AI, particularly in clinical decision-making and workflow automation. Later-stage companies that secured funding showcased strong revenue growth, significant market potential, and a clear path to profitability.

Of the 42 Series C or later rounds completed in 2024, 17 were step-up rounds, while 25 were flat or step-down rounds, signaling overall stabilization in valuations.

Slight recovery in \$200M+ rounds

Mega rounds exceeding \$200M dropped from 14 in 2022 to just six in 2023 but showed signs of recovery in 2024, with seven major financings: Devoted, Innovaccer, Caresyntax, HarmonyCares, Prompt, Foodsmart, and Flo Health.

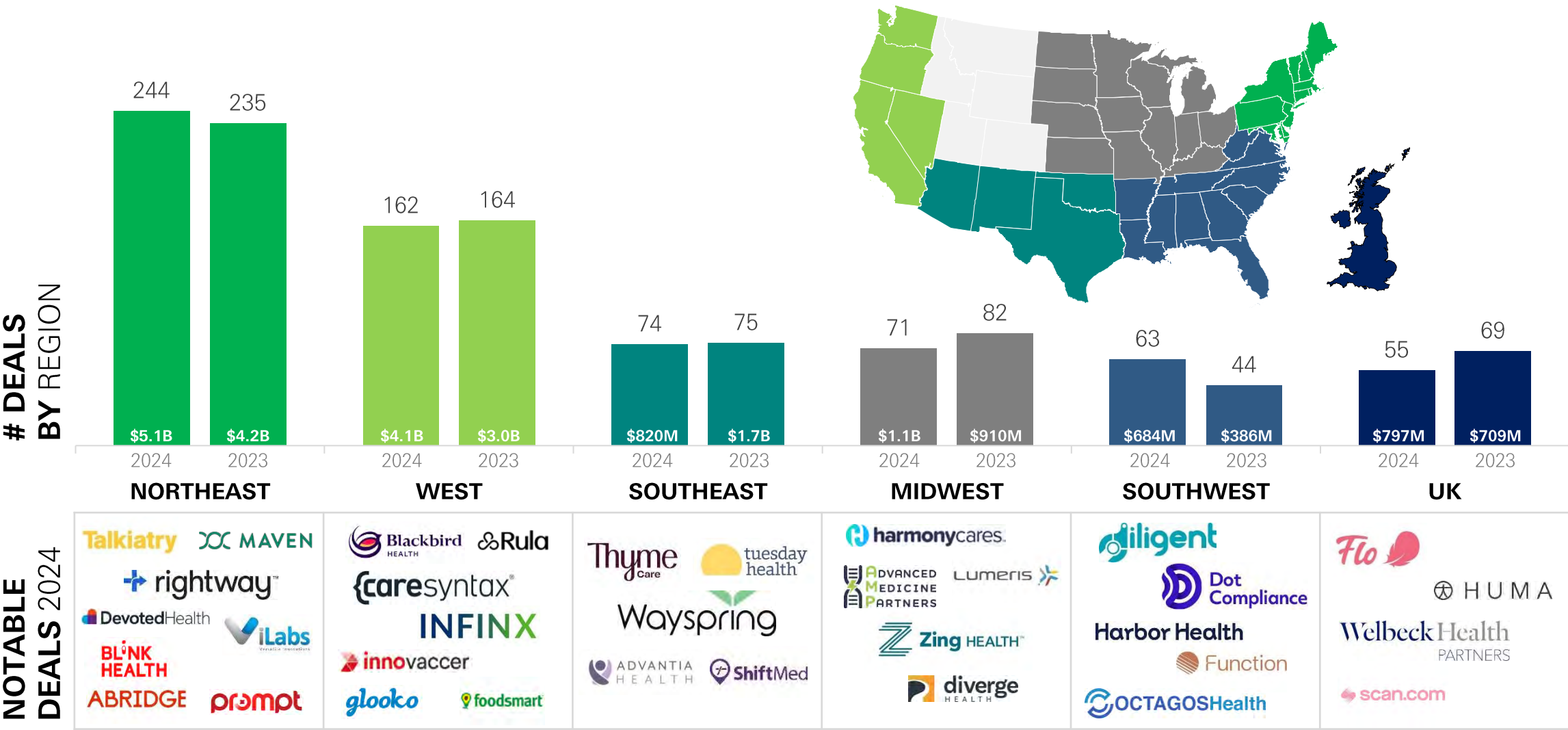
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Healthtech Deal Activity by Region

2023–2024 US & Europe



Northeast continued to lead as Healthtech hotspot



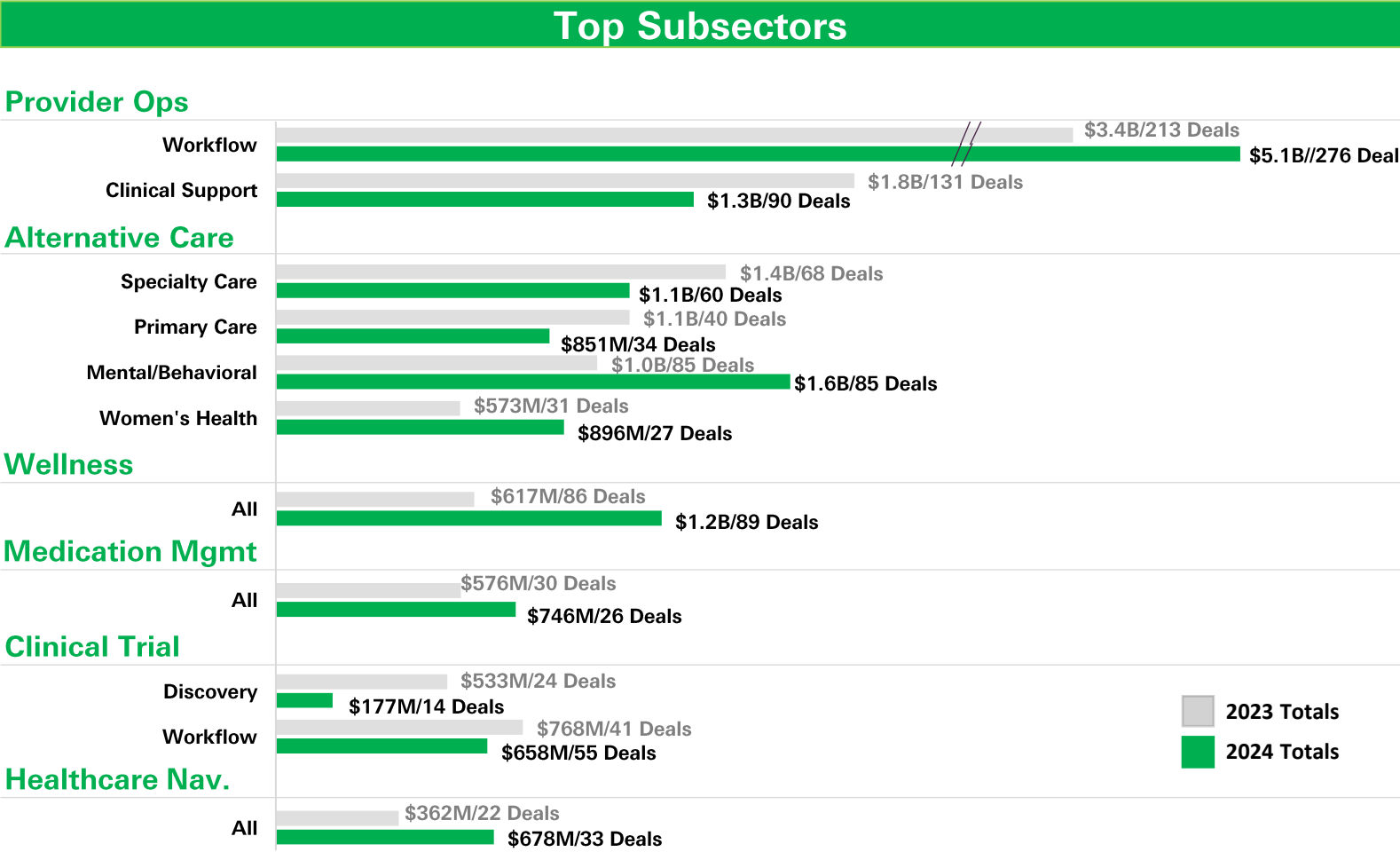
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Healthtech by Subsector

2023–2024 US & Europe



Provider Ops surged; alternative care subsectors a story of contrasts



Workflow solutions drive investment

Similar to 2023, workflow-focused solutions within provider operations attracted the most investment in 2024, highlighted by large deals such as Innovacer (\$250M), Abridge (\$150M), and Glooko (\$124M).

Divergent trends in alternative care investment

While investments in primary and specialty care declined, mental and behavioral health and women's health sectors experienced notable growth in investment dollars, despite stable deal volume. The capital-intensive nature of many alternative care models, compounded by valuation pressures, high burn rates, and challenges in Medicare Advantage (a key focus for many AC companies), created hurdles as companies struggled to meet expectations even after insider or add-on rounds. This contributed to a decline in new financing activity for the subsector. Investors began prioritizing consolidation, focusing on scaling existing models into broader platforms, such as Fabric Health's acquisition of GYANT. M&A activity gained momentum as companies aimed to build scalable, multi-product organizations and improve operational efficiencies, exemplified by Commure's acquisitions of Augmedix and Memora Health.

Women's Health continues to gain momentum

Traditionally dominated by early-stage investments in fertility and pregnancy, the women's health sector has evolved, attracting investors targeting larger opportunities. Comprehensive models addressing maternal care, menstruation, menopause, and mental health have gained significant traction, highlighted by deals such as Maven (\$150M), Flo Health (\$200M), and Midi Health (\$63M).

Health and Wellness shows resilience

The health and wellness sector experienced increased investment activity largely driven by robust interest in diet, nutrition, and wearable health platforms. Notable deals include Foodsmart (\$240M across two rounds), Lore Health (\$80M), and wellness device companies Oura (\$75M) and Levels (\$47M). This growth reflects investor confidence in platforms addressing the consumer-driven demand for personalized health solutions.

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Healthtech Largest Financings

2024 US & Europe



Capital remained available; best-performing companies saw mix of up, flat rounds

	Subsector	Size of Round/ (\$M) Step-up? ¹	Date/ Round	Location		Subsector	Size of Round/ (\$M) Step-up? ¹	Date/ Round	Location
1	caresyntax [®] Provider Ops Clinical Decision Support	310	8/15 C	Larkspur, CA	11	Zing HEALTH Healthcare Navigation Provider Matching	140	9/25 C	Chicago, IL
2	Devoted Provider Ops Workflow	287	8/2 E	Waltham, MA	12	VI Provider Ops Workflow	131	1/28 B	New York, NY
3	innovaccer Provider Ops Workflow	250	4/30 F	SF, CA	13	sword Alternative Care Specialty Care	130	6/4 E	Draper, UT
4	prompt Provider Ops Workflow	206	9/30 B	Paramus, NJ	14	Talkiatry Alternative Care Mental Health	130	6/18 C	New York, NY
5	harmonycare Alternative Care Primary Care	200	4/1 A	Troy, MI	15	BLINK HEALTH Medication Mgmt Medication Delivery	128	6/10 D	New York, NY
6	foodsmart Wellness & Education Health & Wellness	200	7/12 D	SF, CA	16	transcarent Healthcare Navigation Provider Matching	126	3/7 D	Denver, CO
7	Flo Alternative Care Women's Health	200	7/30 C	London, UK	17	Rula Alternative Care Mental/Behavioral	125	7/15 C	Los Angeles, CA
8	ABRIDGE Provider Ops Workflow	150	2/23 C	Pittsburgh, PA	18	glooko Provider Ops Workflow	124	10/10 F	Palo Alto, CA
9	INFINX Provider Ops Workflow	150	5/21 B	Cupertino, CA	19	alto ² PHARMACY Medication Mgmt Medication Delivery	120	8/22 F	SF, CA
10	MAVEN Alternative Care Women's Health	150	8/16 F	New York, NY	20	Capital Rx Medication Mgmt Pharmacy Benefits	115	3/21 E	New York, NY

Valuation¹ Step-Up Flat Rd Step-Down

Numbers at a glance (20 largest deals)

The top 10% of healthtech deals in 2024 raised \$5.3B, accounting for 36% of total investment, the lowest percentage of total investment across all healthcare sectors. Unlike biopharma (45%), dx/tools (48%), and med tech (60%), healthtech displayed less concentration of capital, as more companies raised sizeable, yet not outsize, rounds.

The workflow subsector led with seven of the top 20 deals. Medication Management attracted significant funding, securing three large deals centered on improving patient experience and reducing costs.

Sector

Alternative Care:	6 deals
Provider Ops:	8 deals
Medication Mgmt.:	3 deals
Healthcare Navigation:	2 deals
Wellness/Education:	1 deals

Subsector

Workflow:	7 deals
Mental/Behavioral:	2 deals
Women's Health:	2 deals

Location

NorCal:	6 deals
NY:	5 deals

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Healthtech Most Active Investors¹

2024 US & Europe



Stratified investor base, with top VCs active in early-stage deals

ALL DEALS

VC/Angel	Corporate	Growth ³
9 ALLEYCORP GENERAL CATALYST	7 MEMORIAL HERMANN	4 TRANSFORMATION CAPITAL
8 andreessen horowitz	5 OPTUM BLUE VENTURE FUND SAMSUNG NEXT	3 OAK HC/FT +mtip EURAZEO
6 Alumni Ventures	4 CVS Health Ventures UPMC	
5 DEFINE VENTURES LRV HEALTH GREY MATTER VENTURES Healthier Capital FCA VENTURE PARTNERS CITY LIGHT LifeX HDS CAPITAL	3 TMC TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER McKesson Ventures Cleveland Clinic MERCK Catalyst by Wellstar G/	
4 ALPHA PARTNERS Gaingels WaveMaker THREE-SIXTY HEALTH bpiFrance kima ventures LiveOak VENTUR		
3 PLUGANDPLAY B Capital khosla ventures VESALIUS BIOCAPITAL A1 Health First Round First Trust Capital Partners T, VENTURES		

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Healthtech Valuation¹ Analysis

2023–2024 US & Europe



Normalized valuations as Series C+ faced biggest valuation adjustments

Stage	Deals with Valuations ¹ versus Total Activity	Median Round Size	Up Round ² Percentage	Pre-Money Valuation (by Percentile) in 2024	
Series B <\$30M	36 of 50	\$13M \$20M (2023)	53% (19/36) 72% (18/25 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$34M
				50th Pct	\$53M
				75th Pct	\$75M
Series B >\$30M	21 of 43	\$40M \$41M (2023)	86% (18/21) 83% (10/12 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$96M
				50th Pct	\$140M
				75th Pct	\$258M
Series C <\$50M	12 of 16	\$20M \$32M (2023)	17% (2/12) 100% (5/5 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$35M
				50th Pct	\$70M
				75th Pct	\$110M
Series C >\$50M	12 of 22	\$66M \$73M (2023)	67% (8/12) 67% (4/6 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$255M
				50th Pct	\$475M
				75th Pct	\$700M
Series D+	18 of 29	\$90M \$75M (2023)	39% (7/18) 70% (7/10 in 2023)	25th Pct	\$246M
				50th Pct	\$1,130M
				75th Pct	\$2,915M

Step-ups declined compared with 2023, but up round share increased

Healthtech's median step-up multiple held steady at 1.4x in 2024, consistent with 2023. Among 99 Series B and later financings with available valuation data, 54% achieved a step-up.

However, most stages saw a smaller percentage of deals earning up rounds compared with 2023. Smaller Series B deals under \$30M, many of which were insider-led, and Series D or later rounds fared the worst, with more flat and down rounds than up rounds. Most of these companies had aggressive post-money valuations from 2021–2022, making flat or slightly lower valuations a reasonable market correction.

Series C valuations soared, led by alternative care deals

The largest Series C pre-money valuations (for financings > \$50M) were dominated by Alternative Care companies, each exceeding \$1B. Notable examples include Flo Health (\$1.0B pre-money, women's health), Rula (\$1.1B pre-money, mental health), and Grow Therapy (\$1.3B pre-money, mental health). The 75th percentile for larger Series C deals was \$700M, reflecting high expectations for these companies, which will closely monitor the public market activity of 2025.

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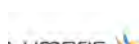
Healthtech Largest Post-Money Values¹

2024 US & Europe



Up rounds and corporate investment drove the highest-valued companies

LARGEST POST-MONEY VALUATIONS BY HEALTHTECH SUBSECTOR

Subsector	Company	Date	Deal Size (\$M)	Round	Post \$ (\$M)/ Step-up? ²	Subsector Focus	Notable/Lead New Investor(s)
Provider Ops	 Devoted	8/2	\$287	E	\$13,000	Workflow	VC, Asset Manager, Corporate
Wellness & Education	 OURA	11/19	\$75	D	\$5,000	Health & Wellness	Corporate
Provider Ops	 innovaccer	4/30	\$250	F	\$3,500	Workflow	Corporate, PE
Alternative Care	 spring health	7/31	\$100	E	\$3,300	Mental Health	Growth
Alternative Care	 sword	6/4	\$130	E	\$3,000	Specialty Care	PE, VC, Asset Manager
Alternative Care	 Headway	7/12	\$100	D	\$2,300	Mental Health	VC, Family Office
Provider Ops	 Lumeris	4/10	\$100	unknown	\$2,150	Workflow	VC, Corporate
Healthcare Navigation	 transcarent	3/6	\$126	D	\$2,100	Provider Matching	VC, Growth, Corporate

Valuation² ■ Step-Up ■ Flat Rd ■ Step-Down

Stability and growth in later-stage valuations

High-growth, later-stage companies continued to attract significant funding in 2024, with five of the top eight highest-valued private financings achieving up rounds led by new investors. Corporate investors maintained strong engagement for the third consecutive year, a trend likely to persist in 2025.

Key companies in large markets

The highest-valued deals were concentrated in large markets such as insurance, MSK, and mental health, featuring companies that have established themselves as leaders or coleaders. These deals benefited from a broad investor base, including top VCs, growth funds, corporate, and PE.

Big deals at the peak: Where are they now?

A review of the largest and highest-valued deals from the 2021–2022 peak revealed mixed outcomes. Interestingly, of these companies, 56% have since closed undisclosed financings or have not raised funding at all.

Closed an up round:	17%
Closed a down round:	10%
Closed a flat round:	5%
IPO (filed or successful):	7%
M&A:	5%
Undisclosed financing/no deals:	56%

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Healthcare Outlook: Perspectives for 2025

Healthcare Outlook: A Look Ahead to 2025

GENERAL OVERVIEW

In 2025, first-financing activity is expected to remain muted, except in biopharma, as a weak exit landscape and difficulty securing Series B leads will push VC investments later-stage. Many companies that raised insider rounds from 2023 and 2024 have extended that funding but avoided the expected “rubber-hitting-the-road” moments. Significant consolidation or shutdowns are anticipated in 2025 if these companies fail to secure a new investor-led round. New investment will likely focus on large rounds for top-performing companies, resulting in a flat year for overall healthcare investment. M&A activity is expected to rise modestly across all sectors. The public market may welcome IPOs in 2025, but outside of biopharma, venture-backed IPOs will likely be limited to a few standout companies in each sector.



Biopharma

- **First-financing to favor seasoned teams:** Venture-funded spinoffs and teams from recent big exits with blank checks will dominate, but first financing dollars are likely to decline to \$5.5-\$6B.
- **Investments will remain robust:** Total investment will reach \$24-\$26 billion, driven by strong participation from VC, crossover, and growth investors. Many mezzanine-funded deals from 2021-2023 will face significant refinancing or consolidation pressures due to IPO challenges.
- **M&A activity:** Acquirers will continue targeting both preclinical midsize takeouts and larger, later-stage companies, especially those with IPO optionality. We anticipate \$1B+ private M&A activity to continue.
- **IPO activity rise:** IPOs are likely to total 20 to 25 in 2025, focusing on phase I/II stories.



Med Device

- **First-financing rebound in dollars:** First-financings will exceed \$1B, driven by a few large Series A deals with multiple VC participation to help mitigate Series B risk. Deal volume will remain low.
- **Overall investment steady:** Total investments will reach approximately \$7B, driven by pivotal trial funding and large commercial rounds, supported by diverse capital sources that will help upsize deals.
- **Sector focus:** Neuro, NIM, orthopedic, and uro/gyn will attract more investment, benefiting from growing investor interest in AI applications.
- **IPO and M&A outlook:** Med device IPOs will emerge but are likely to remain in the mid-to-high single digits. M&A activity will remain robust, with increased focus on pre-commercial PMA deals.



Healthtech

- **Early- to mid-stage normalization:** Continued market normalization is expected for early to mid-stage companies, alongside the growth of AI solutions, particularly in clinical applications. Specialty care sub-sectors like senior care, women's health, and mental health, are poised for further expansion.
- **Market trends in 2025:** 1H 2025 may see slower activity as investors track early IPO performance and adapt to new healthcare deregulatory policies. Activity is expected to accelerate in 2H 2025 as market clarity improves.
- **Consolidation and IPOs:** Later-stage companies will likely pursue consolidation, while early 2025 IPO candidates could pave the way for broader market activity.



Dx/Tools

- **Stable first-financing with AI potential:** First-financing will continue at cycle lows, but AI-enabled deals are expected to see increased momentum.
- **Investment concentration:** Overall investment, driven by large deals, will hold steady at approximately \$7B.
- **Key sectors in focus:** Precision medicine leveraging dx test and analytics, manufacturing for gene and cell therapy, and radiopharma, will continue to attract both early and later-stage investment.
- **IPO and M&A outlook:** A few companies are expected to test the IPO market in early 2025. Additionally, mid-cap acquirers like Natera and Exact Sciences could drive more and larger private M&A deals.

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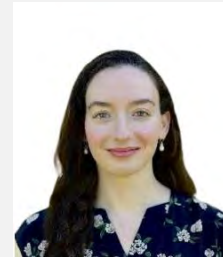
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