

Clinical Trials – why Norway?

Highly accessible patient population

- Homogeneous and well-educated population
- High willingness to take part in clinical trials
- Unique ID-numbers facilitate patient management and linking of registry data
- Highly digitalized society

World leading resources for clinical trials

- Comprehensive health registries and biobanks
- National infrastructure for advanced molecular diagnostics
- Telemedicine widely used as part of the patient follow-up
- Well-organized and transparent healthcare infrastructure

Research oriented healthcare system

- Internationally renowned medical expertise and clusters in several therapy areas
- Research is required by law as part of the specialist healthcare services
- English-speaking professionals

Governmental support

- Governmental initiatives for clinical trials and medical innovation
- Increased emphasis on homebased care can ease the implementation of decentralized clinical trials
- Travel expenses are reimbursed for patients participating in clinical trials

NorTrials is a...

National entry point for requests from the healthcare industry to Norwegian hospitals.

Network of dedicated contact persons throughout the Norwegian healthcare system.

Facilitator for collaboration between study sites for all therapeutic areas and clinical trial phases.

Organisation that includes six NorTrials-centres within dedicated areas.





Population

There are **5.5 mill.** inhabitants in Norway (2022) and the population is expected to pass **6 mill.** before 2050.

The life expectancy in Norway is **81** years for men and **84.4** years for women (2022).

Healthcare System

- Universal and publicly funded with equal access for all patients.
- Consistently ranked as one of the best healthcare systems worldwide.
- Health spending constituted **10.1 %** of GDP and **7065** dollars/capita in 2021.*
- Highest density of total health care resources per 1000 population in 2021.*

*OECD statistics

Hospitals

- Six university hospitals, closely connected to research institutions and universities.
- Clinical trial support and clinical trial units are part of the university hospital structure.
- Hospitals have large catchment areas with regional and national functions.
- Local hospitals with clinical research departments and facilities.

National Action Plan for Clinical Trials

Clinical trials integrated as standard of care to give **patients increased access to investigational treatment** throughout the country.

Specific goals

5% of all patients treated within the specialist care services to be included in clinical trials.

A **doubling of clinical trials** executed in Norway by 2025.

NorTrials is one of the initiatives to obtain the goals in the action plan.

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