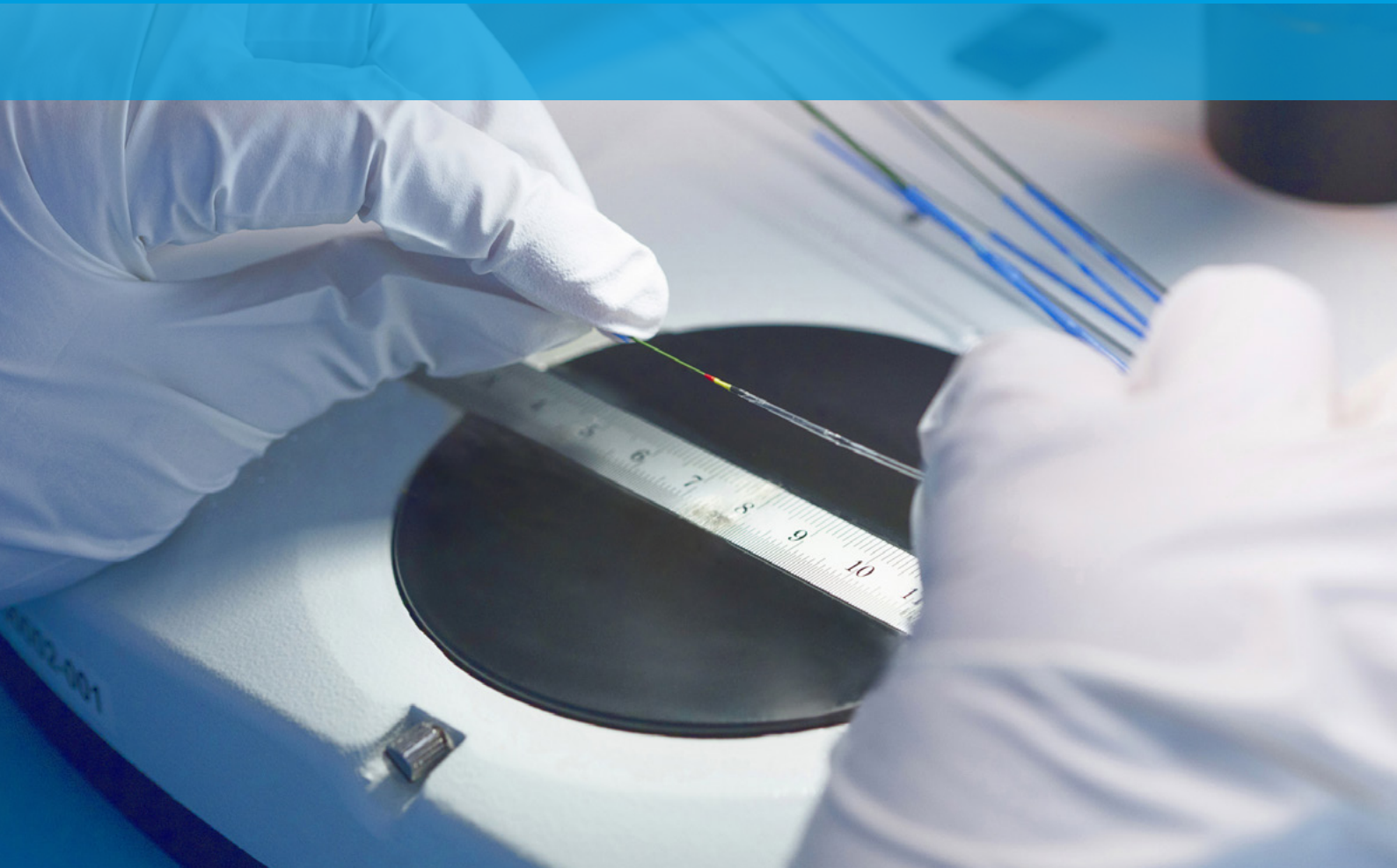


Locational advantage Medical technology



Medical technology in Eastern Switzerland

Eastern Switzerland is home to a wealth of medical technology manufacturers and suppliers that historically have grown out of the precision and engineering industry. Nearby universities and higher education institutions train duly qualified doctors, researchers and engineers. Furthermore, the location attracts brilliant minds from around the world with its top quality of life. Eastern Switzerland's medtech ecosystem is characterised in particular by its short paths. The overall value chain is covered in a narrow manageable geographical area: research institutions, universities, technical colleges, suppliers and clinics with world renowned reputations can easily be reached, even beyond Switzerland's borders.

Education, Research and Development



360
companies

are located in Eastern Switzerland.

14,550
employees

are employed in the medical technology sector in Eastern Switzerland.

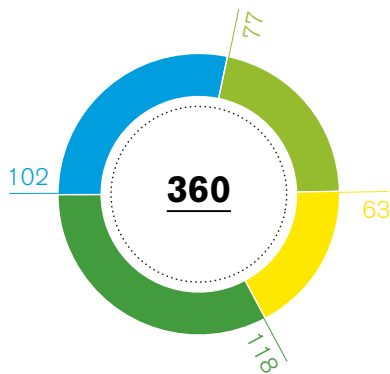
27
percent

of all Swiss companies in the medical technology sector are located in Eastern Switzerland.

75
percent

of goods and services produced in Switzerland are exported.

Segments and companies



Product manufacturers

- Colthène/Whaledent AG, Altstätten, coltene.com
- Leica Microsystems (Schweiz) AG, Heerbrugg, leica-microsystems.com
- Oertli Instrumente AG, Berneck, oertli-instruments.com
- Sefar AG, Heiden, sefar.com
- Silony Medical International AG, Frauenfeld, silony-medical.com
- SIS Medical AG, Frauenfeld, sis-medical.com
- STORZ MEDICAL AG, Tägerwilen, storzmedical.com

Trading and sales

- Born Medical AG, Appenzell, bornmed.com
- Lohmann & Rauscher AG, St. Gallen, lohmann-rauscher.com
- Medacta International AG, Frauenfeld, medacta.com
- Microlife AG, Widnau, microlife.com
- SMD MedicalTrade AG, Tägerwilen, smdmedical.ch

Suppliers

- Baumer Electric AG, Frauenfeld, baumer.com
- FISBA AG, St. Gallen, fisba.com
- JOSSI Orthopedics AG, Islikon, jossi.ch
- SCHÖTTLI AG, Diessenhofen, schoettli.com
- SFS Group AG, Heerbrugg, sfs.com
- Utilis AG, Müllheim, utilis.com
- Variosystems AG, Steinach, variosystems.com

Service

- Appletree CI Group, Winterthur, appletree-cig.com
- Helbling Technik AG, Wil, helbling.ch
- Irapd AG, St. Gallen, irpd.ch
- Mediantis Consult GmbH, Ermatingen, mediantisconsult.com
- SME Swiss Medical Engineering GmbH, Stein am Rhein, sme-gmbh.ch
- units IM-TECHNOLOGY AG, Au, units.ch

Source: SWISS MEDTECH, Bern



Willi Zwahlen

Co-founder, shareholder and CEO
SIS Medical AG, Frauenfeld

«Thurgau is an excellent location for medical technology companies that operate internationally thanks to its proximity to internationally renowned technical universities, clinics and research institutions and its closeness to Zurich Airport and Southern Germany.»

Hospitals and clinics

- Herz-Neuro-Zentrum Bodensee, Kreuzlingen, herz-zentrum.com
- Klinik Hirslanden, Zürich, hirslanden.ch
- Kantonsspital, St. Gallen, kssg.ch
- Kantonsspital, Winterthur, ksw.ch
- Ostschweizer Kinderspital, St. Gallen, kispisg.ch
- Spital Thurgau AG, Frauenfeld, stgag.ch
- Stadtsptial Triemli, Zürich, stadt-zuerich.ch/triemli
- Stadtsptial Waidt, Zürich, stadt-zuerich.ch/waidt
- Universitätsspital, Zürich, usz.ch
- Uniklinik Balgrist, Zürich, balgrist.ch
- Zahnmedizin Zürich-Nord, zahnmedizin-zuerich.ch



«A number of medium-sized medical technology companies are domiciled in Eastern Switzerland. This is an excellent base for us to find experienced and competent staff in our sector and shape the growth of our young company with them.»

Marcus Kerwin

Board member and CEO
Silony Medical International AG, Frauenfeld

Knowledge partners and networks

SWISS MEDTECH

The industry association represents the interests of Swiss medical technology. Its aim is to gain international competitive and innovative strength and build up the domestic market. With its cooperation on technical committees inside and outside of Switzerland, SWISS MEDTECH supports attractive operating conditions and is in favour of reducing innovation-curtailling regulations and ensuring international exchanges in research and trade. It actively takes a stance on these matters. The association has national and international influence through constant dialogue with partner organisations, authorities, the worlds of politics and economics, educational institutions and science. Within 16 specialist groups, experts from member companies generate strategies, solutions and opinions on sector-relevant topics and develop pioneering industry standards. (swiss-medtech.ch)

SRRT – SWISSCCS

The Swiss Contamination Control Society (SRRT – SwissCCS) is a technical scientific federation aimed at promoting all aspects of clean room technology. It is a non-profit organisation with around 150 collective and around 100 individual members. SRRT – SwissCCS organises conferences and specialist seminars. It represents Switzerland on international standards committees on clean room technology. (swissccs.org)

SWISS ACADEMY OF ENGINEERING SCIENCES

The Swiss Academy of Engineering Sciences (SATW) is the most important network of experts for engineering sciences in Switzerland and is in contact with the highest Swiss bodies for science, politics and industry. On behalf of the federation, SATW identifies industrially relevant technological developments and informs politics and society about their importance and consequences. As a unique expert organisation with high credibility, it conveys independent and objective information on technology – as the basis for establishing well-founded opinions. (satw.ch)

Private research institutions

- AO Foundation, Dübendorf and Davos (aofoundation.org)
- angioclinic Venenzentrum Zurich (angioclinic.ch)
- Balgrist Campus Ltd., Zurich (balgristcampus.ch)
- CSEM Zurich and Landquart (csem.ch)
- IROC Science to Innovation AG, Zurich (irocscience.com)

Knowledge platforms / networks

- Eurofins Electrosuisse Product Testing AG, Fehraltorf (eurofins.ch)
- International Industry Society in Advanced Rehabilitation Technology (IISART), Zurich (iisartonline.org)
- Swiss Agency for Therapeutic Products swissmedic, Bern (swissmedic.ch)
- swiTT – Swiss Technology Transfer Associatio, Bern (switt.ch)
- Verein Toolpoint for Lab Science, Winterthur (toolpoint.ch)

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