Global health
open innovation
& access

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“The Gates Foundation is dedicated to the belief that all lives have equal value and everyone deserves the opportunity to lead a healthy and productive life. To solve the challenges of the 21st century, we must accelerate open access to high-quality research on health, education, and economic development. Gates Open Research is designed to ensure that the research we fund can be of immediate benefit to society.”

Trevor Mundel
President of Global Health
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Public-private partnerships

Coalitions of public, private and civil society actors like Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, are essential to the Gates Foundation’s global health goals such as reducing under-five mortality.

Gavi Board Members

Case study: Uniting for NTDs

Unprecedented partnership involving endemic country governments, WHO, 13 pharmaceutical companies, donor governments, the World Bank, and the Gates Foundation:

• 1.4 billion treatments per year to those in need
• Sharing expertise and compounds to accelerate R&D of new drugs
• More than US$785 million to support R&D and strengthen delivery
Case study: Global Health Innovative Technology Fund (G-HIT)

- US$125 million partnership involving the Japanese government, 5 leading Japanese pharmaceutical companies, & the Gates Foundation
- Applying Japanese R&D expertise, products, & technologies to address critical global health challenges
- A catalyst for additional Japanese public and private investment in global health R&D
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and

b) the Funded Developments will be made available and accessible at an affordable price

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