Health

From research to care
The health industry is of considerable economic importance in Valais. In addition to comprehensive health care, the market is defined above all by the development of innovative high-tech products. Thanks to its entrepreneurial and pioneering spirit, as well as its incubators and university, Valais is a cradle of innovation in the healthcare sector. Every link in the sector’s value chain is present, from the research and development of medical devices through to distribution.

Active in all areas of modern medicine
Valais Hospital was created in 2004 from the merger of 10 institutions. With 5,400 employees, it is the biggest employer in the canton. It consists of two hospital centres (Upper Valais and Lower Valais) and a Central Institute of Hospitals (Zentralinstitut der Spitäler – ZIS). The ZIS provides interdisciplinary services for all areas and locations of Valais Hospital, in particular for laboratory medicine, hospital pharmacies, medical consultation hours, epidemiology and information technology.

Facts and figures about Valais Hospital
- 5,400 employees spread over 8 locations and 1 central institute
- CHF 708 million turnover (2017)
- 462,400 outpatient consultations and 40,700 inpatients (2017)
- CHF 476 million in personnel expenses (2017)

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