

Life Sciences companies have an opportunity to unlock \$5-7 billion (Bn) dollars in value from the use of artificial intelligence (Al). We estimate that nearly 90% of value will be derived from three functional areas: research and development (R&D), manufacturing and supply chain, and commercial.

Over the past 18 months, Generative AI (GenAI) has broadened the breadth of value that AI could deliver. Deloitte conducted a study of 20, end-to-end AI use cases, which when linked together like 'pearls on a string' can transform value streams (e.g., product launch, clinical development) across functional areas. Supported by specialist interviews, benchmarking surveys, and pro forma forecasts, the objective was to assess the total enterprise value opportunity of AI from cost reduction, cost avoidance, and revenue generation.

We estimate a top 10 biopharma company with average revenue of \$65-75 Bn could capture between \$5-7 Bn of peak value by scaling the use of Al over 5 years. This varies based on organization size (e.g., \$35 Bn in revenue could achieve \$2.5-3.5 Bn in peak value).

FIGURE 1. VALUE CREATION BREAKDOWN BY FUNCTION Example Levers Impacted by AI Value Creation Breakdown **Revenue Uplift Levers Cost Reduction Levers:** Research & 40% **Development** · Time to market · Time to market 30 - 45% of Value · Revenue from drug repurposing Cost to pre-clinical trial 60% **Revenue Uplift Levers Cost Reduction Levers: Manufacturing** & Supply Chain Revenue from surplus # of deviations 15 - 25% of Value manufacturing yield Production cycle time **Cost Reduction Levers: Revenue Uplift Levers** Commercial 25 - 35% of Value · Patient conversion rate Marketing content creation Time to/on therapy • Payer contract administration **Enabling Areas Revenue Uplift Levers Cost Reduction Levers:** 5 - 15% of Value Reduction in contract revenue · Overall SDLC cycle time • Media / PR spend leakage Revenue Uplift **Cost Reduction**

R&D represents the top value opportunity at 30-45%. All applied to novel drug identification and accelerating drug development could provide both cost savings and revenue uplift. This is followed by commercial at 25-35%, where marketing costs could be optimized and activities such as script utilization could be enhanced by Al. Manufacturing, supply chain, and enabling areas (including IT, HR, and Finance) are primarily candidates for cost transformation through efficiency realization and vendor cost reductions using Al.

We estimate a 5-year timeline for an enterprise to capture peak value from use of Al. The value accretion schedule also differs by functional area due to each area's inherent characteristics. Typically, enabling areas (including IT, HR, and Finance) have the most opportunities for cost savings and avoidance, which results in faster time to value realization. In contrast, R&D and supply chain have long-term capital requirements that are difficult to amend, thus extending the timeline to reaching peak value.

FIGURE 2. AVERAGE 5-YEAR VALUE ACCRETION SCHEDULE OF AI IMPACT (PERCENTAGE OF PEAK VALUE REALIZED)



ASSUMPTIONS

¹Foundational data and infrastructure are in place to enable transformational use case development ²Each function implements the full portfolio of transformational Al use cases (e.g., Al clinical trials, Al manufacturing, Al marketing)

METHODOLOGY

- Each bar represents the value a top 10 biopharma company could capture from Al over a 5-year time frame
- A top-down (% of revenue) and bottom-up (% of operating margin) approach was applied to evaluate value potential based on an individual organization's growth potential and operational efficiency
- The peak value range is a blended average using the two evaluation approaches
- For the top 10 biopharma companies average total revenue were \$65Bn to \$75Bn and average operating margin of\$20Bn to \$25Bn in 2022

Can GenAl live up to its predicted value potential?

Anecdotal success stories and endless media attention have generated hype around the utility of GenAl. Deloitte has spent the last year not only thinking critically about the value of GenAl, but also implementing the technology, driving its adoption, and monitoring its value. This includes scaling dozens of Al and GenAl use cases for our life sciences clients and launching our own GenAl platform for our internal colleagues.

Our experience suggests that there is realizable value from GenAl. But, it's critical for companies to separate hype from reality to best understand the true impact GenAl could deliver.

FIGURE 3. DEBUNKING MYTHS AROUND GEN AI



Value Realization

GenAl should deliver **immediate bottomline value.** Typically, cost reductions are likely to occur within 1-2 quarters of deployment primarily from efficiency gains and cost avoidances. Revenue gains could take 3-4 quarters to materialize.



Talent Disruption

GenAl could be a lever to quickly rightsize organizations. In the short-term, GenAl could **drive individual FTE productivity gains.**



Adoption

If you build it, they will come. GenAl tools, once launched could be embraced and utilized to the maximum.

Adoption of GenAl is more likely to be successful when the technology is embedded in **existing ways of working / tools** in concert with **purposeful upskilling** of users with prompt engineering skills.



Market Speed

Innovation is moving so quickly that LLMs and AI strategy should **be updated every 6 months.**

We have reached critical milestones with LLMs. Within the next 1-2 years, **incremental shifts** (e.g., multimodal processing) rather than paradigm shifts are likely.



Enterprise Structures

Setting up a Center of Excellence is the only path to adoption and success.

A strong enterprise mandate, governance, and value capture methodology are the pathways to success regardless if the model is centralized or federated.

What are the GenAl 'no regret bets?'

To de-risk investments and accelerate progress, organizations should kickstart their GenAl programs with 'no regrets bets' that can deliver value in a relatively short timeframe. This not only serves as a proof point to catalyze enterprise adoption, but it also creates opportunities to fund additional investments with realized gains.

There isn't a one-size-fits-all approach when it comes to 'no regrets bets." However, based on our recent work in implementing GenAl programs, we have learned that the following 'bets' are likely to reflect a low complexity, high value profile for most organizations.

FIGURE 4. POTENTIAL VALUE FOR KEY 'NO REGRETS BETS' VALUE TO **VALUE TO** WHY THIS IS THE BUSINESS UNIT DESCRIPTION THE ENTERPRISE **NO REGRETS Scientific Literature** Research & **Development Summarization Greater** productivity Generate easy-to-+ Cost reduction GenAl can cut through consume summaries of from faster hypotheses research noise and go + Revenue Uplift scientific literature testing straight to insights with minimal resource investment **Intelligent Study Deliverable Authoring** + Cost reduction Automate the drafting **Greater speed** Companies have a of clinical study report from less rework and massive **treasure** + Cost avoidance (CSR) deliverables automated drafting trove of past **documents** that can be tapped into to automate creation **Supply Chain & SOP Management AI** Manufacturing **Assistant Greater productivity** + Cost reduction Automate updating GenAl can help avoid costly quality control all relevant SOPs with from automated and + Cost avoidance **issues** by improving simple prompts cascaded updates to how employees perform their job **Amplified Quality Events Mgmt.** Identify, investigate, **Enhanced compliance** + Cost avoidance Misclassifications and remediate quality from faster identification can result in huge events using Al and remediation of quality penalties that can be mitigated using GenAl events

FIGURE 4B. POTENTIAL VALUE FOR KEY NO REGRETS BETS

	DESCRIPTION	VALUE TO THE BUSINESS UNIT	VALUE TO THE ENTERPRISE	WHY THIS IS NO REGRETS
Commercial	Al-Generated Content			
	Generate ideas and design artifacts using Al	Improved outcomes from more personalized content and faster adaptation to customer needs	Cost reductionRevenue uplift	Small productivity gain in this large cost bucket can result in outsized bottom-line impact
	Contract Performance Advisor			
	Intelligent investigation of payer contracts to identify discrepancies	Minimized leakage of revenues through better monitoring	Cost reductionRevenue uplift	Pharma companies spend billions in rebates, GenAl can identify deviations which could result in large payoffs
Enabling Areas	MLR Optimization			
(%)	Identify high-risk claims in marketing materials for review and automated adjustment	Streamlined process of incident management from preemptive risk remediation	+ Cost reduction + Cost avoidance	Marketing pieces can be quickly reviewed resulting in faster time to market
	Competitive Intelligence			
	Generate competitive insights through market/industry data	Improved insights from faster and more accurate data synthesis	Cost reductionRevenue uplift	GenAl can tap into market data that is currently underused to facilitate more informed decisions

In future articles, we will dive deeper into how organizations should approach 'no regrets bets' identification and execution.

The time to act is now

The life sciences industry is at an inflection point – and harnessing AI and GenAI as a catalyst for transformation is vital. Winning tomorrow requires organizations to take the right steps toward embracing this technology *today*.

Here are top 5 actions that you could take in order to initiate momentum on your Al and GenAl value journey:



Establish a Leadership Mandate **Empower** a leader(s) with a mandate to own and drive an enterprise AI + GenAI agenda



Align on a Strategic Blueprint

Prioritize 2 – 3 strategic opportunity areas to serve as enterprise north stars



Identify
No Regrets Bets

Activate business units and IT/Digital to identify initial "no regrets bets" that align to priority areas



Create Minimum Viable Governance

Establish a governance function that can manage AI + GenAI risks, investments, ethical use, and progress while encouraging innovation



Launch
Pilot Solutions

Deliver solutions that can **demonstrate tangible value** and prove out adoption

However, successfully driving large-scale AI transformation programs requires organizational evolution. We list 4 major changes required as companies move forward on their AI value journey...



Mindset Evolution

Move beyond the endless cycle of near term proof of concepts, and place long term bets on AI in key areas



Leadership Evolution

Goal leaders against measurable Al targets and value goals in order to drive Al evangelism and accountability



Investment Evolution

Treat Al investments as core enablers of enterprise business strategies and not as experimental investments



Cultural Evolution

Al should not be looked at like a tool, but as a skill that all employees will need to possess to maximize efficiency



Execution Evolution

Evolve beyond front and back office methods and adopt a "two in the box" approach where business & IT are goaled together

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