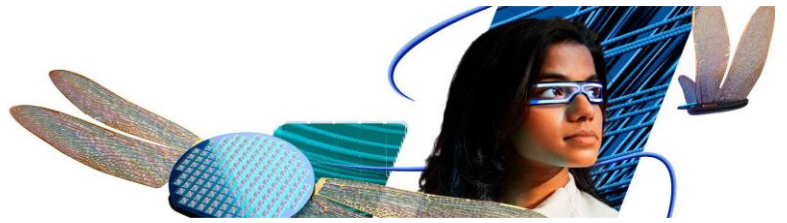


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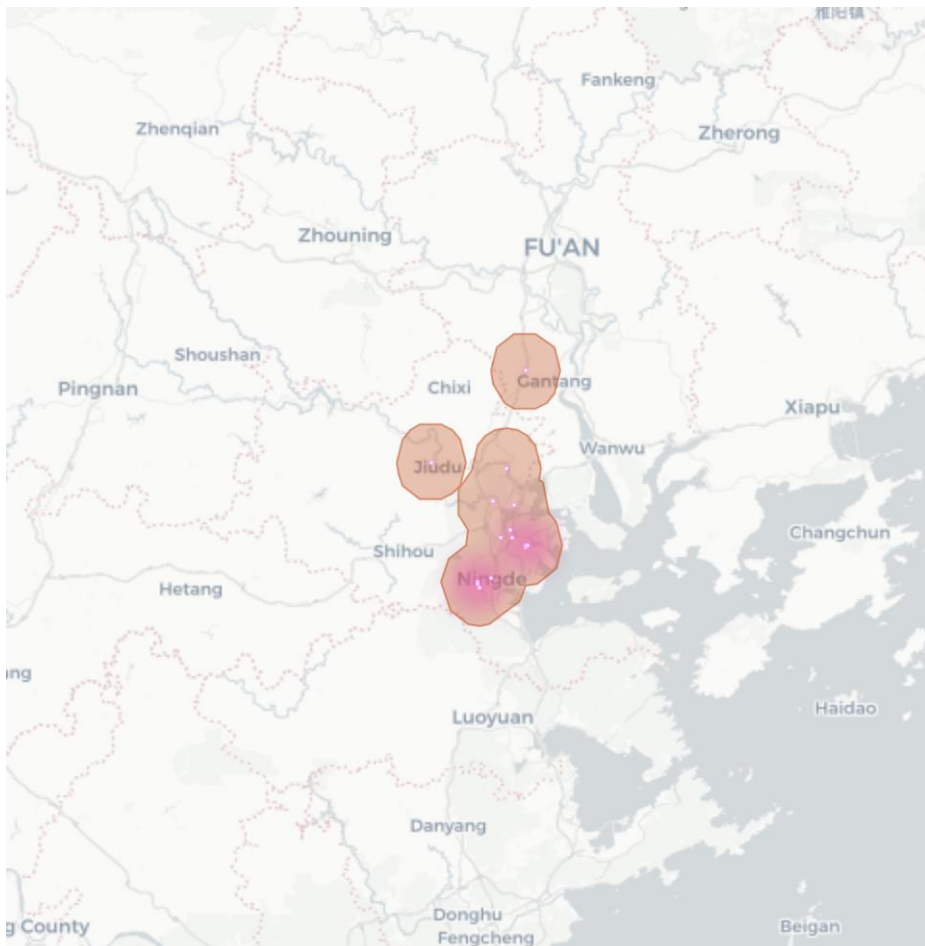


Ningde, China

Ningde is the nineteenth-ranked cluster, out of 25 Chinese clusters, that falls within the top 100 innovation clusters in 2026. Over the most recent five-year period, the cluster accounted for, on a fractional basis, **7,693 PCT applications** and **389 scientific articles**, as well as **6 venture capital deals**, making it

75th in the World's Top 100 Innovation Cluster Rankings for 2026

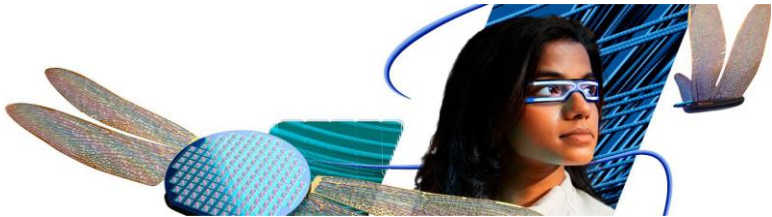
(Also the 3rd innovation cluster by intensity)



Note: Points represent the location of an inventor, author, or VC deal. Map created with Leaflet. Map data © OpenStreetMap contributors, © CARTO
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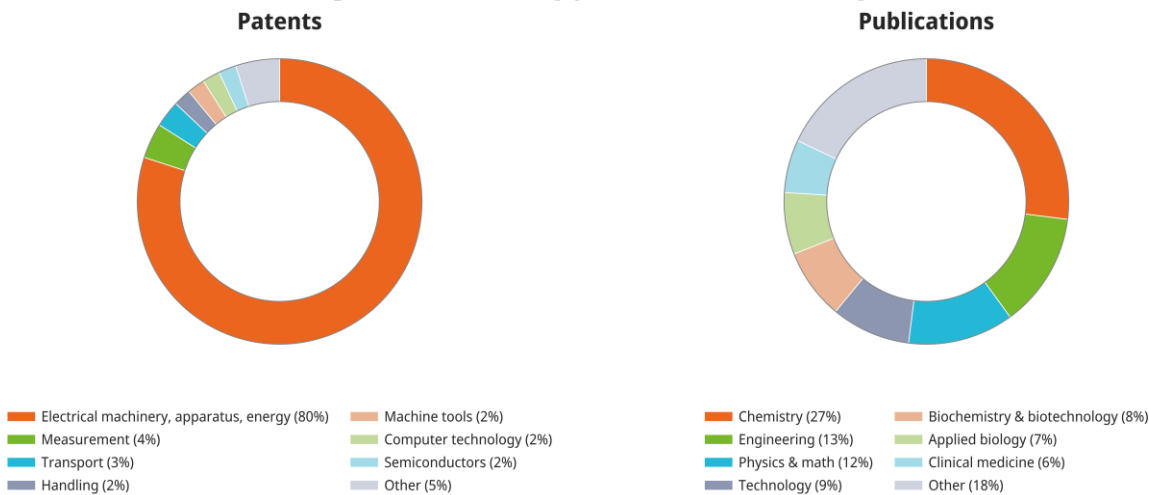
Top PCT applicants

		Patents ²	Share
1	CATL	6,480	84%
2	ATL	1,161	15%
3	POWERAMP	18	0%

Top publishing organizations

		Articles ²	Share
1	NINGDE NORMAL UNIVERSITY	136	70%
2	FUJIAN MEDICAL UNIVERSITY	32	17%
3	CATL	7	4%

Top technology fields in Ningde



1% of Ningde’s PCT patent applications are filed in collaboration with other inventors located outside the cluster, with **Shenzhen-Hong Kong-Guangzhou**, **Shanghai-Suzhou** and **Tokyo-Yokohama** emerging as the top collaborative locations.

92% of Ningde’s scientific articles are published in collaboration with other organizations located outside the cluster, with the top three collaborating locations being **Fuzhou**, **Xiamen** and **Beijing**.

Estimated cluster population		473,714			
Innovation Metric	Five-year total (#)			With multiple inventors/authors (#)	
	Unique count ¹	Fractional count ²	Per 1 million inhabitants	Total	External collaborator
PCT applications	7,720	7,693	16,239	6,958	55
Scientific publications	1,207	389	821	1,200	1,105
Venture capital deals	6	n/a	13	n/a	n/a

1 Distinct count of patents/articles involving local inventors/authors (non-additive). 2 Sum of fractional shares based on local inventor/author counts, preventing double-counting.

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