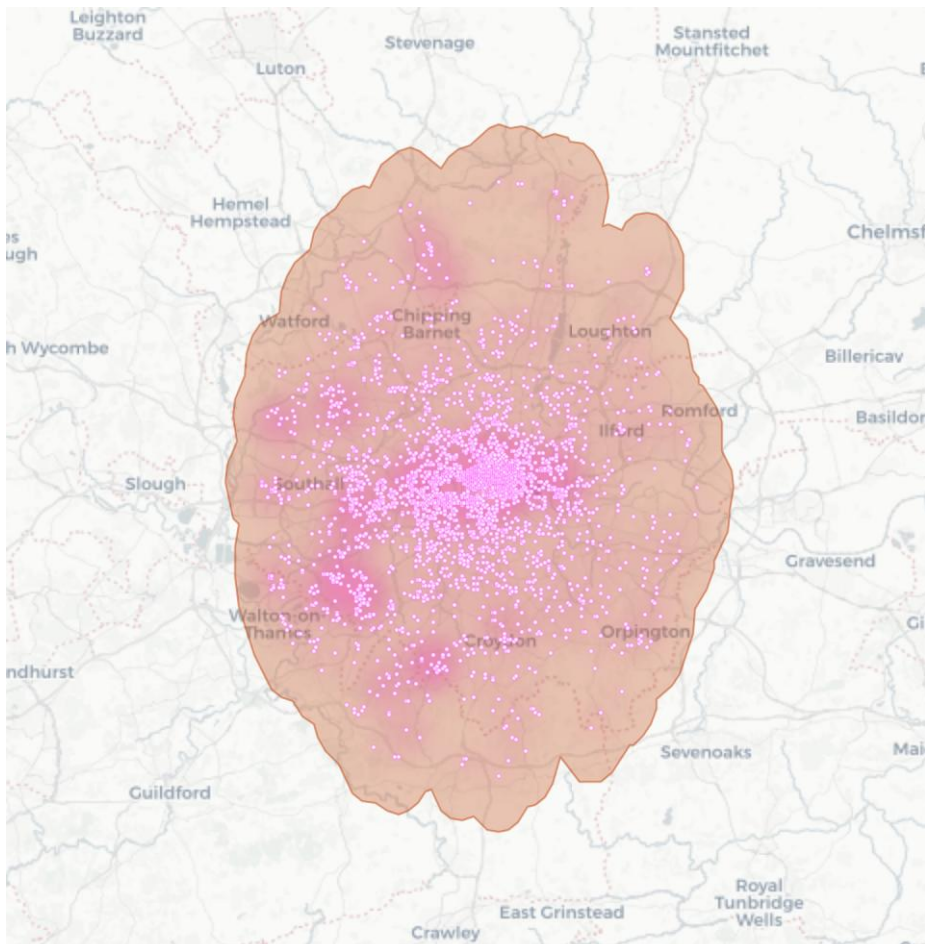


London, United Kingdom

London is the top-ranked cluster, out of 4 British 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, **7,360 PCT applications** and **55,930 scientific articles**, as well as **10,157 venture capital deals**, making it

8th in the World's Top 100 Innovation Cluster
Rankings for 2026

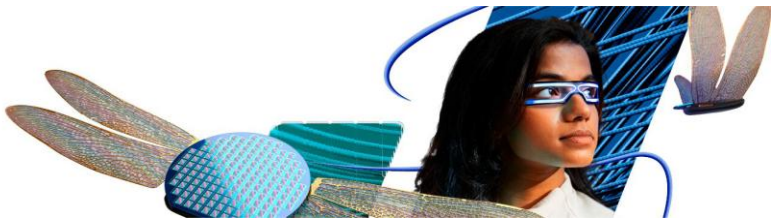
(Also the 18th innovation cluster by intensity)



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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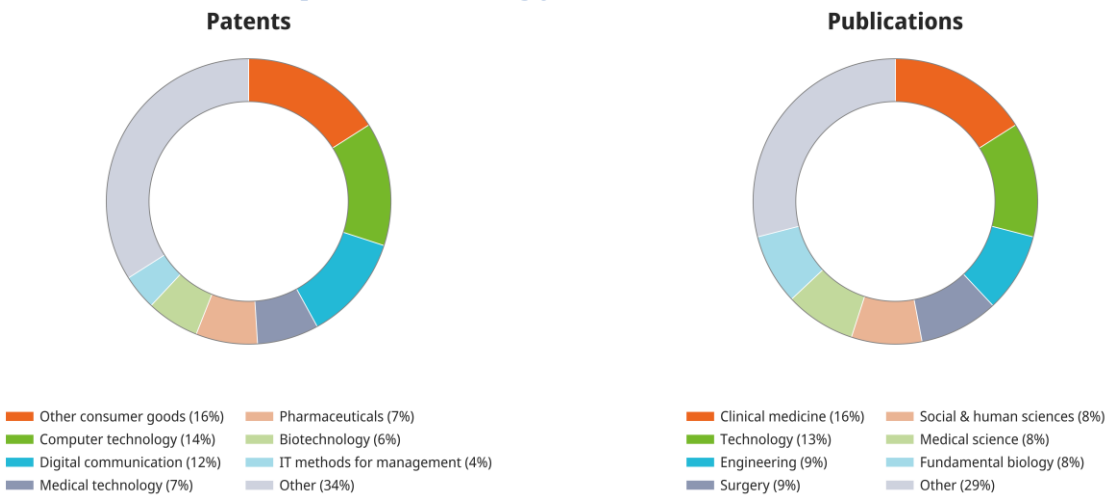
Top PCT applicants

		Patents ²	Share
1	NICOVENTURES	1,202	16%
2	BT	418	6%
3	DEEPMIND	232	3%

Top publishing organizations

		Articles ²	Share
1	UCL	7,898	26%
2	IMPERIAL COLLEGE LONDON	7,425	25%
3	KING'S COLLEGE LONDON	3,531	12%

Top technology fields in London



40% of London’s PCT patent applications are filed in collaboration with other inventors located outside the cluster, with **Montréal**, **San Jose–San Francisco** and **Munich** emerging as the top collaborative locations.

87% of London’s scientific articles are published in collaboration with other organizations located outside the cluster, with the top three collaborating locations being **Oxford**, **Amsterdam–Rotterdam** and **Cambridge**.

Estimated cluster population		10,876,880			
Innovation Metric	Five-year total (#)			With multiple inventors/authors (#)	
	Unique count ¹	Fractional count ²	Per 1 million inhabitants	Total	External collaborator
PCT applications	9,780	7,360	677	7,950	3,905
Scientific publications	154,833	55,930	5,142	152,048	135,442
Venture capital deals	10,157	n/a	934	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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