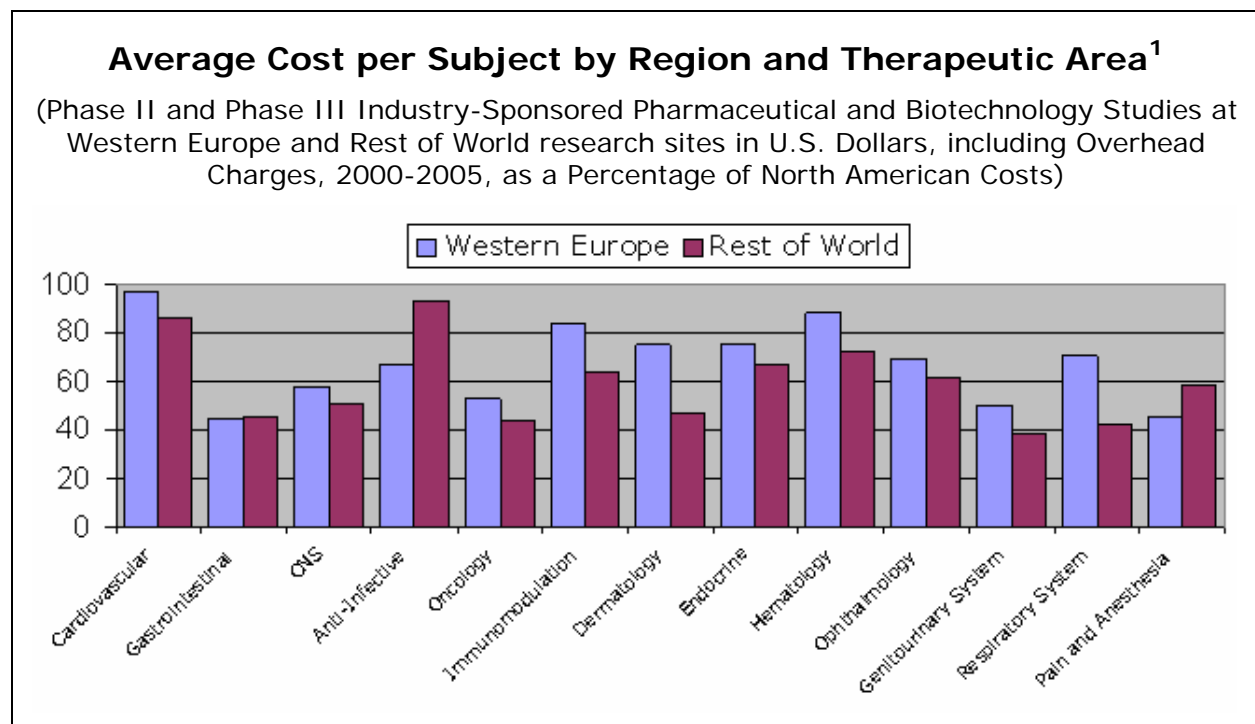


## Spotlight on Research Fees: Cost Differences by Region and Therapeutic Area

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Clinical research site budgets are 32% lower in Western Europe than in North America (U.S. and Canada). They are 40% lower in the rest of the world (ROW) than in North America. Study complexity in different parts of the world varies by therapeutic area, with a significant affect on site budgets. In general, study complexity is lower in ROW than in Western Europe. However, in the two therapeutic areas where budgets are higher in ROW than in Western Europe – Anti-Infective, and Pain and Anesthesia – study complexity in ROW is actually 46% and 24% higher, respectively, than in Western Europe. Cost estimation for clinical trials thus requires a more detailed analysis than simple country averages.



### Reference

1. Source: Fast Track Systems' PICAS<sup>®</sup>/Grants Manager<sup>™</sup> clinical trial cost database, using data from over 100,000 signed clinical trial agreements

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