

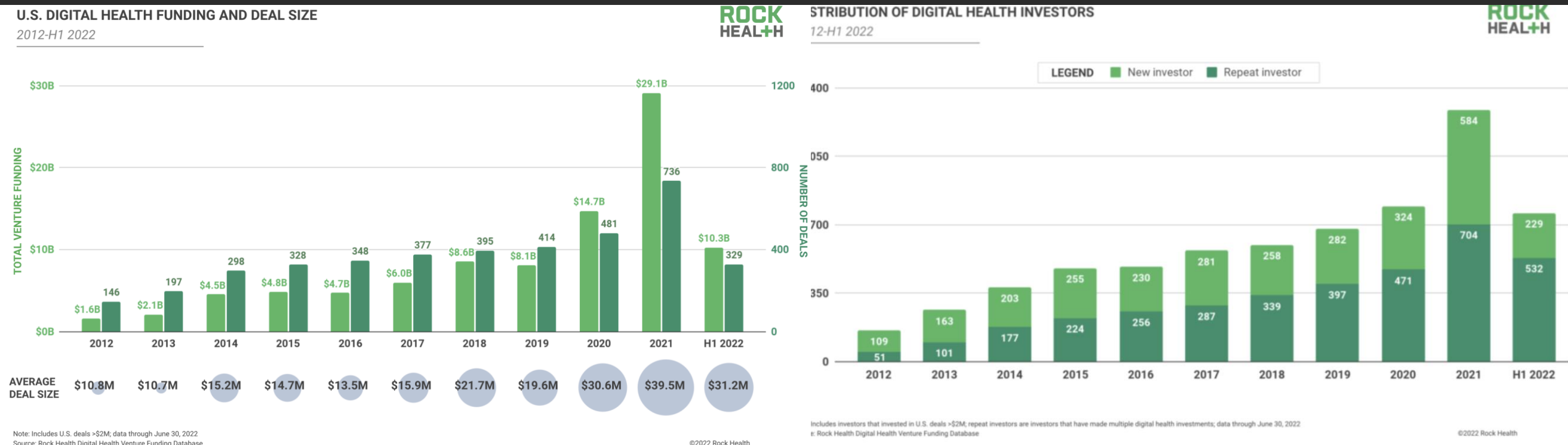
Fundraising Strategies for Digital Health Companies

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Funding for Digital Health in Choppy Watters

Not a good time to fundraise

- Investors mainly supporting existing portfolio investments.
- Overall number of deals has declined significantly
- Smaller funding sizes and valuations



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Depends on the Claims

FDA Digital Health Policy Navigator



- [Step 1: Is the software function intended for a medical purpose?](#)
- [Step 2: Is the software function intended for administrative support of a health care facility?](#)
- [Step 3: Is the software function intended for maintaining or encouraging a healthy lifestyle?](#)
- [Step 4: Is the software function intended to serve as electronic patient records?](#)
- [Step 5: Is the software function intended for transferring, storing, converting formats, or displaying data and results?](#)
- [Step 6: Is the software function intended to provide clinical decision support?](#)
- [Step 7: Does the Device Software Functions and Mobile Medical Applications Guidance apply?](#)



Icon	Outcome	Meaning
	LIKELY NOT A DEVICE	Device requirements do not apply if the software function is not a device.
	LIKELY FDA INTENDS TO EXERCISE ENFORCEMENT DISCRETION	Some software functions may meet the definition of a device, but because they pose a lower risk, the software function may fall within FDA's enforcement discretion policy (meaning that the FDA does not intend to enforce applicable requirements under the FD&C Act at this time).
	LIKELY THE FOCUS OF FDA'S REGULATORY OVERSIGHT	The software function is a device and its functionality could pose a risk to a patient's safety if the device were to not function as intended. Devices may be subject to requirements such as premarket authorization (e.g., premarket notification (section 510(k) of the FD&C Act), De Novo (section 513(f)(3) of the FD&C Act), premarket approval (section 515 of the FD&C Act)), adverse event reporting (section 519 of the FD&C Act), among others.
	Your product may be a device. Go to Step #.	More information is needed to identify the relevant policies. Go to the next Step.

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Example: Watch ECG for Atrial Fibrillation



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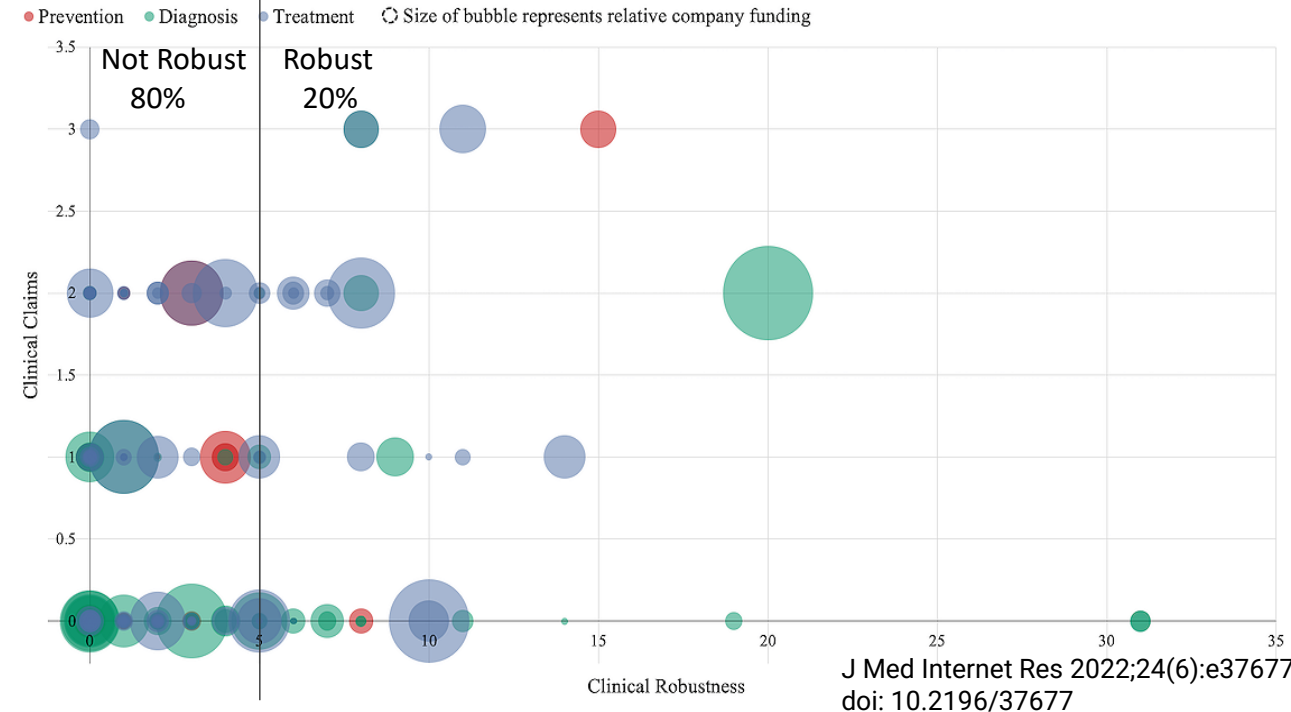
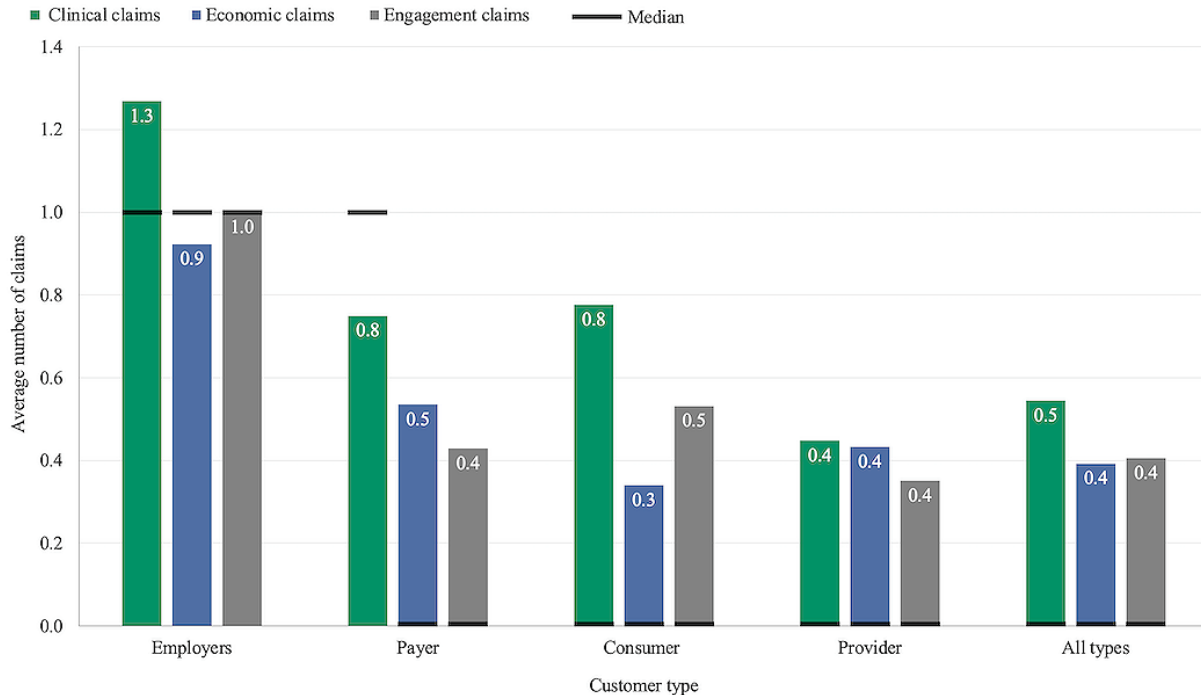


Hybrid:

Start with Unregulated, Transition to
Regulated once you have enough data

Gap between Marketing and Evidence

- Vast majority (80%) of VC funded DH companies lack meaningful evidence. 44% have zero Claims.
- It's time to get serious. Deflation eminent (personal opinion)



Unregulated

Go FAST

- Make sure you have the right claims if any
- Try to acquire users as soon as possible
- Try to acquire contracts, if possible

Regulated

Build Clinical Evidence

- Prove that science works
- Build Quality System and Design History early
- Engage Academic Centers and KOLs
- Run Outcomes Clinical Study

Contracts Contracts Contracts !

Try to get 1-2 contracts before going out to fundraise. **It helps a lot.**