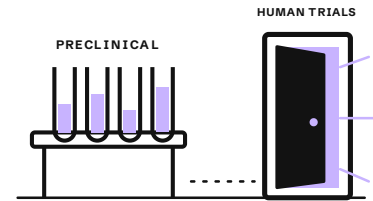




Claude's drug work: mostly preclinical.

Anthropic reported early results from six partners using Claude in drug development, from antibody design to document review. **The work is mostly preclinical**, and every figure is Anthropic's own account.

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Lab results, *graded by the people who ran them.*

Anthropic published a progress report on Oct. 27 about using Claude in drug development with six outside organizations. Its own description of the stage is the headline: so far the work is **"mostly preclinical"**, which Anthropic explains as, for the most part, not yet at the point where drugs are tested in humans.

The examples run along the pipeline. With Generate Biomedicines, Claude designed shortened genetic sequences for CAR T-cell therapy; Anthropic says one design was about 70% shorter than the standard version and, in lab tests, let immune cells make roughly 10 times as many receptors. In work with Divergence Labs on food allergies, Claude generated roughly 35,000 antibody designs in about a month. In a separate project on two antibody-fragment leads, BigHat's lab made and tested about 1,010 variants in about 10 weeks.

Anthropic (drug development)

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The result closest to ordinary office work involved paperwork. With Enveda, Claude reviewed 1,061 pages of documentation, caught all 11 issues that human reviewers had found and flagged seven they had missed. Anthropic says the method reduced human review time by 89%, from over 25 hours to less than three.

Anthropic (drug development)

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What the report shows, and what it can't.

Read as evidence, this is a set of partner case studies reported by the model's maker. Every figure above is Anthropic's account of work with its partners, and this issue found no independent measurement of them. The lab numbers also depended on people: BigHat's scientists made and tested the variants Claude proposed.

Anthropic (drug development)

The document-review result is the one most teams could recognize, but the 89% figure describes one partner's test, and this issue could not find how review time was measured. Anthropic also says it has already prioritized specific improvements to its models based on what it has learned. The next question worth tracking is whether any of these programs reaches human trials. The post gives one conditional date: if one researcher's drug candidates continue to hold up, Anthropic expects a drug to be ready to start human trials as soon as late 2028.

Anthropic (drug development)

The morning in four

1 • POLICY

GSA expands its Claude deal.

GSA said on Oct. 27 that it expanded its OneGov deal with Anthropic: a 40% discount on token-based Claude usage for federal, state, local and tribal buyers, with no minimum orders.

GSA

2 • TOOLS

MCP servers on private networks.

Gemini Enterprise made VPC connectivity and static IP egress for custom MCP servers generally available on Oct. 27, routed through Agent Gateway in us-central1 and europe-west1.

Gemini Enterprise release notes

3 • RESEARCH

A robot assistant for NASA tests.

Google Cloud described a robot proof of concept tested with NASA: a fine-tuned 4-billion-parameter PiO model reached an initial 85% success rate moving a medical bag in early lab environments.

Google Cloud (NASA)

4 • SUPPORT

A chatbot's odd referral.

Background from Oct. 26: 404 Media's Jason Koebler wrote that ChatGPT keeps telling people with routine tech-support problems that 404 Media can solve them, as quoted by Simon Willison.

Simon Willison

OUT OF OFFICE • FROM THE DOCUMENTATION

Let a service call Copilot without a login.

Not tested: this is a note from GitHub's changelog, not a workflow this issue ran. Since Oct. 27, in public preview, a GitHub App installed on an organization can hold the read-only Copilot Requests permission, and a service can pass a short-lived installation access token to the Copilot SDK. An agent can then make requests for the organization without relying on any one person's signed-in credentials.

GitHub changelog

GitHub says the usage is attributed and billed to the organization that owns the installation, and its model policies, budgets and spending controls apply. Organization owners can find app usage in AI usage CSV reports under an `app_client_id` field, and suspending or uninstalling the app stops its access. Which services get the permission, and under what budget, remains a person's decision.

GitHub changelog

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WHAT WAS SAID

Anthropic's announcement says the discounts in its expanded GSA agreement are estimated to save the government \$1 billion.

Anthropic, "Expanding our partnership with GSA," Oct. 27

WHAT THE SOURCE SAYS

UNPROVEN

Anthropic's post gives no period, usage assumption or method for the estimate. GSA's release on the agreement gives no savings figure for it; its savings figures are for the whole OneGov program: more than \$1.8 billion since it began, including about \$1.6 billion through its super intelligence agreements. GSA describes pay-for-use pricing with no minimum purchase.

Anthropic (GSA) • GSA

Why it matters. Under pay-for-use pricing, any total saving depends on how much agencies end up using. The discount rate is the fact; the \$1 billion is an estimate without its working shown.

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What to watch

TODAY

GitHub Universe opens

The event page lists the opening keynote at 9 a.m., without a time zone, at Fort Mason Center in San Francisco and streamed online. Watch for whether app-based Copilot access moves beyond preview.

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Universe closes

The closing keynote is listed for 2 p.m. on day two.

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