

# **University reputation, rankings & reality**

University communications and institutional research experts expressed doubt about the accuracy and usefulness of most college reputation and ranking systems.

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## **Massachusetts to collaborate with innovation regions in Medicon Valley, Skandinavia, and Catalonia, in Spain**

Massachusetts governor signs collaboration agreements with Medicon Valley in Denmark and Sweden, and with Catalonia, in Spain.

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## **7 Global Companies Form Consortium to Fund Preclinical Neuroscience**

# Research in Massachusetts

Seven global biopharmaceutical companies have each pledged to contribute \$250,000 a new consortium that will fund preclinical neuroscience research in order to accelerate and make available academic research from Massachusetts to the pharmaceutical industry.

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## Fareed Zakaria: Will US maintain its innovation lead in new global landscape?

Speaking at the 2012 BIO International Convention, CNN's Fareed Zakaria said that while he is optimistic about the future, it is by no means clear who will be the winners and the losers in a changing global landscape.

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## Companies Receive \$1.3 M in MA-Israeli Collaboration Grants

Four Boston area Israeli collaborations receive \$1.3 in funding for innovative medical and energy projects under new MA/Israel partnership.