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08/09/2025 Decoding pharma's dealmaking strategy.

A pharmaceutical company's pipeline contains all assets under development. A full, diverse pipeline is a critical measure for future success, noting the high failure rate across the Research and Development (R&D) journey. As the demand for cutting-edge treatments accelerates, catalyzed by an aging population, an increasing rate of chronic disease, and evolving patient needs, large companies are looking beyond their own laboratories. Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A) and partnerships with agile biotechs play a major role to secure growth and innovation.

The world's largest drug companies command over \$1.5 trillion in liquidity, poised for strategic deals as of 2025. This immense financial power converges with an urgent need: up to \$250 billion in revenue, including \$120B from the top 15 firms, is threatened by patent expirations before 2030. This unique intersection is fundamentally reshaping the biopharma industry. Simply having capital isn't enough: to succeed in this dynamic landscape, companies must master brokering deals that align with their existing portfolios while fitting their long-term vision, valuing novel assets accurately, and seamlessly integrating cutting-edge technologies. Future leaders in pharma will be defined by strategic intelligence and foresight, not just investment volume.

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