# FROM BLUE SKIES TO POTS OF GOLD AT THE END OF THE RAINBOW

Successful collaborations between research and industry

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Best practices in IP and patent applications

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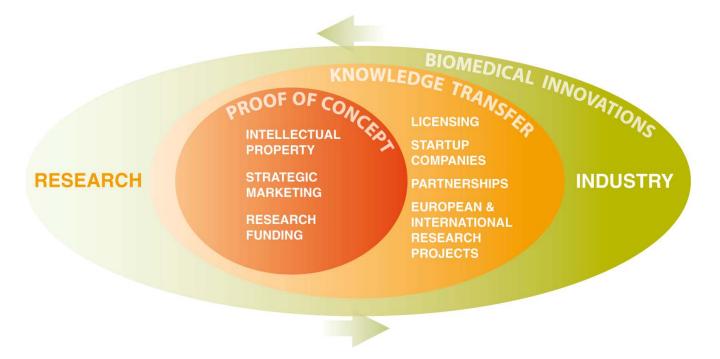


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## Inserm Transfert Organisation: core competencies





#### « Partnerships »

- R&D collaborations, including preclinical and translational research
- Clinical studies
- Post marketing studies
- Preferred partnerships with selected companies



#### IP DEPARTMENT

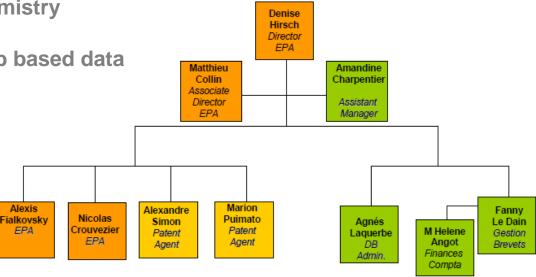
**√9,5 FTEs** 

✓6 Patent Experts / 4 European Patent Attorneys with background in Biology/Biochemistry

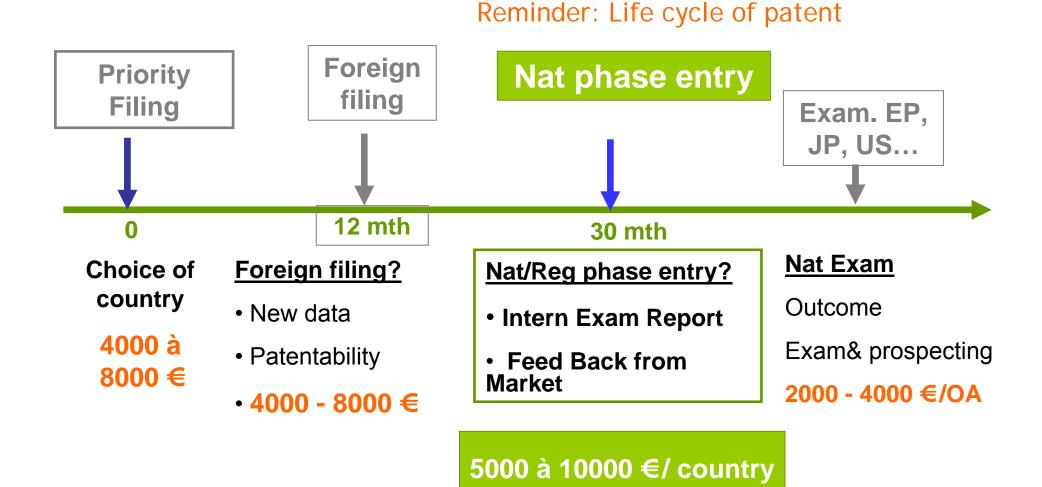
✓ Advanced web based data base

#### **OUR MISSION:**

Protect the results of the Inserm labs with the purpose of an efficient technology transfer



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## Decision criteria for filing a patent

- New patentable results: Patentability analysis
  - NOVELTY
  - Inventive step
- Response to a medical need
  - Robust science
    - Expertise of team in the domain of invention
    - Relevance of preliminary data/ animal model with respect of an industrial exploitation
    - Specific clinical application
  - Proof of principle
    - Sufficiency of in vitro/vivo data.
- Response to a market need :Existing market/ Future market?
  - Balance costs/ financial returns expected/ (Ex: orphan diseases)
  - Feasibility
  - Advantage with respect of existing solutions

**Intellectual Property** 

**Scientific Affairs** 

**Technology Transfer** 



### Our constraints

- Adapt strategy to publication/ disclosure constraints of inventors
  - Reactivity needed (average 21 days)
  - IP Strategy: Little room for flexibility
- Need for maturation
  - Early filings
    - Biological data which need to be substantiated
    - Clinical validation insufficient.
  - Funds available
- Multiple co-owners
- Costs
  - Need for take over by industrial partner when co-ownership or exclusive license



### Our strategy: (Foreign) Filing at risk (1/2)

- Change of paradigm of pharma industry
  - More « early » deals
  - > Growing interest for disruptive technologies
- Emerging markets/ Licensing deals on mature portfolios
- Examples:

	Priority date	Date of license
HPV Therapeutic vaccine	1999	2009
Diagnostic Spinal Muscular Atrophy	1994	2009



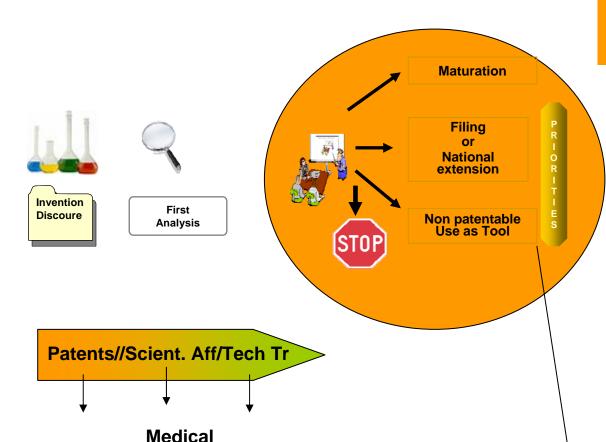
#### Our strategy: (Foreign) Filing at risk 2/2)

- ➤ Reactivity ≠ in depth market analysis Jan 09- Oct 09: 151 Invention Disclosures submitted/ very short period of time left before publication
- Confront a robust portfolio to demand of industry
- Maturation funding on selected projects
- Take at- risk decisions on early stage portfolios
  - ➤ What budget to dedicate?
  - Which part of our global portfolio?
- Monitor efficiency of portfolio/licensing and reassess strategy

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Patentability need

### **Evaluation Process**



Market

#### **Patent Committee**

- ✓ New inventions:
  Weekly
- ✓ Foreign filing; Nat Phase: monthly

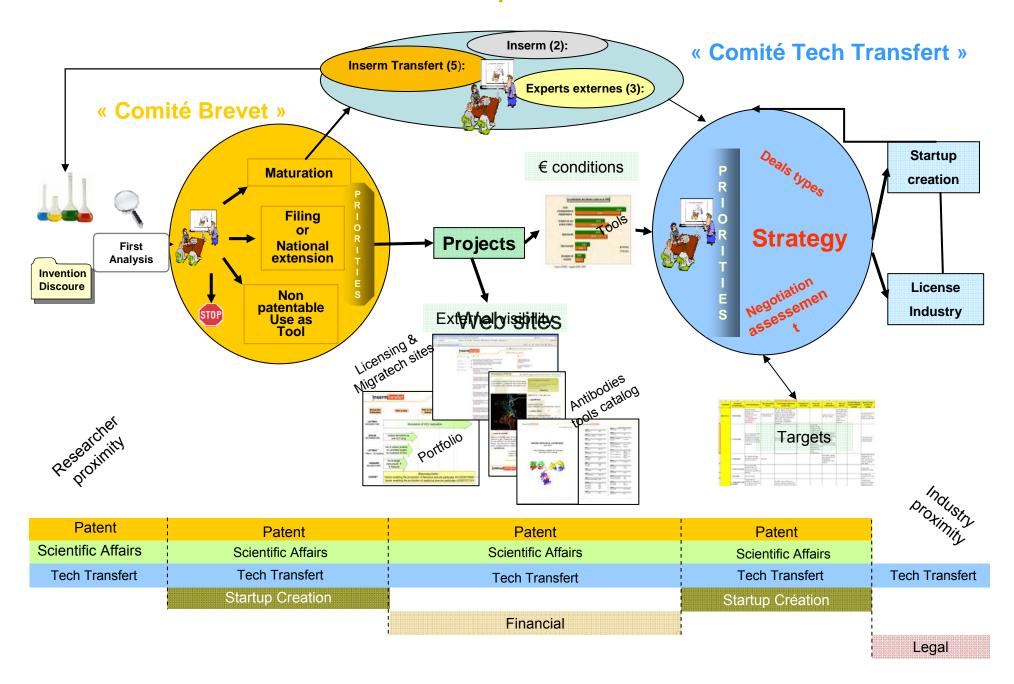
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#### « Proof of Principle » Comittee

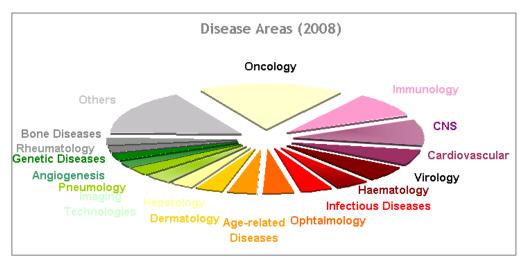


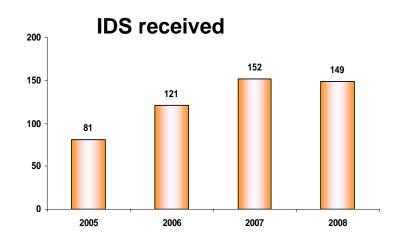


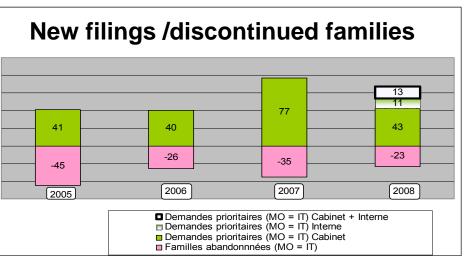
## Inserm's portfolio

#### An enriched portfolio

- Increase of IDS
- Sustained sourcing effort





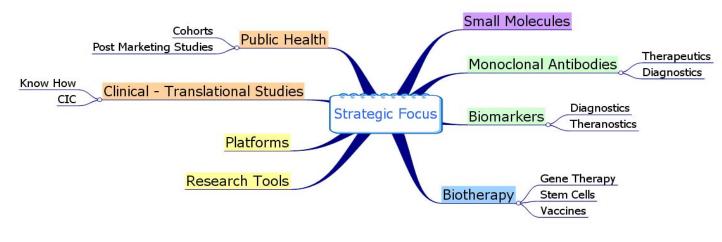


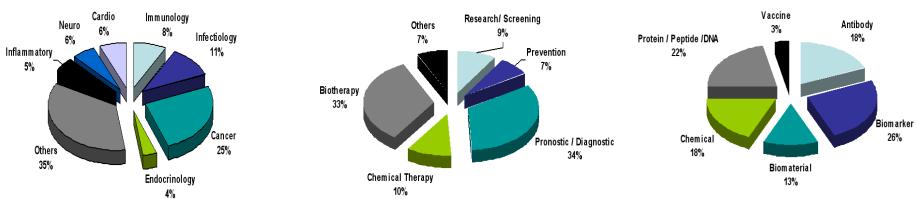
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## Our priorities

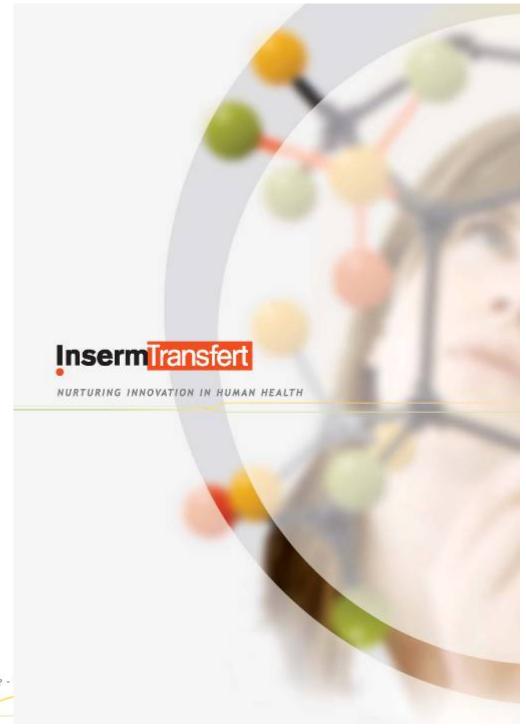
#### http://licensing.inserm.fr





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