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LICENSINGAGREEMENTS FORTECHNOLOGYCREA TEDTHROUGHUNIVERSI TY RESEARCHPROGRAMS

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Examples

- ☐ Developmentofaballooncathederforuseincardiology
- ☐ 1984 amerescientificideaatauniversityclinic
- ☐ PatentfiledinGermany,theninEuropeandUSA
- ☐ Licensedtoayoungmedicalequipmentcompany
- ☐ Negociationsresultin5%Royaltyincountrieswherepatentisgrantedsubstantiallyas filed;nodown-payment,riskisappraisedashigh
- ☐ Atthebeginningoftheninetiesthemarketgrowsexponentially;patentisattackedin USA,Germany,Europebutholds
- ☐ TotalrevenuesfromthisinventionuptonowmorethanEur 25Millions
- ☐ 1998 licenseeissoldbyistmothercompanytoanotherUScompany-Pricemorethan 2Billion\$-Thepublicequatesthiswiththevalueofthepatent







MP3- Musicthroughtheinternet

- Audio&Multimedia(AMM)
- In the field of high quality low bit -rate audio coding , Fraunhofer IIS-A is the leader
- among the international researchlabs .Fraunhofer IIS-A has been the main
- developerofthemostadvanced audio codingschemes ,like MPEG Layer -3(mp3)
- andMPEG-2AAC(AdvancedAudioCoding).
- 20 basicpatentswithinabout10 yrs-
- PatentPortfolio substantiallydevelopedworldwide





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MP3- Licensing

- http://mp3licensing.com/ http://www.aac-audio.com/
- PartialListoflicensees:
- Adobe, Apple, Bose, Hewlett Packard, Intel, Microsoft, NECCorporation,
- Samsung, Sanyo, TDK Corporation, Texas Instruments, Yamaha Corporation
- Licenserevenuesca.12.5MillionEurperyear, growingstrongly



CentralAspects

- ☐ Valueofpatentprotectionisverydifferentindifferentareasoftechnology (Pharmaceutics "service")
- ☐ Thirdpartyfinancingguidelinesandcooperationagreementsareextremely important. You cannot exploit an invention that has not been secured to the university at the very beginning. It is here especially that mist ake smost often occur
- ☐ Start-upsbaseduponIPmaygenerallyonlybefinancedbyventurecapitalif theIPisfreeofthirdpartyrights



Frequenlyencounteredproblems

- ☐ Existingorpastcooperationwithcompetitors(confidentiality)
- ☐ Novelty, consultation agreements
- ☐ Incooperationresearchtheroyalty-freeusebytheindustrypartnerisonly justifiablewherethefullcostoftheuniversityispaidbytheindustrypartner
- - =>mixtureoffreeandserviceinvention)
- =>sharesintheinventionarenotcontractuallydefined



Positive Aspects of University Inventions

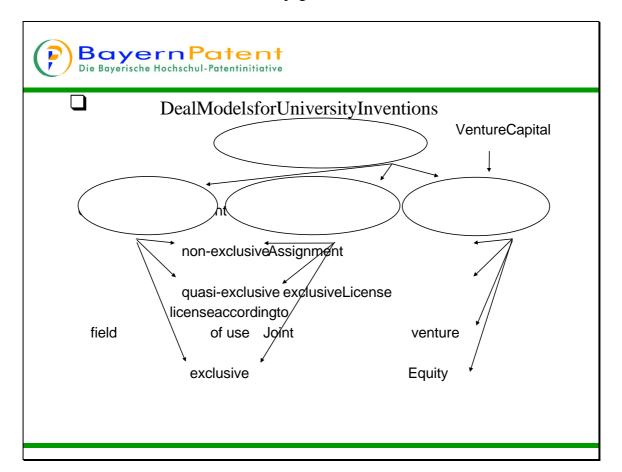
☐ Trustintheinventor
☐ Baseduponyearsofexperience,theinventorsusuallyhaveintimateknowledgeofthe markets
☐ Broadknow-howbasedonexperienceoftheinventors(stateoftheart,competing developments)
☐ Continuityinthecollaborationwithafuturelicenseewhichalsoenhancesfurther developmentoftheinvention



Positive A spects of University Inventions

Some inventions are very developed, which results in low cost of development for the account of the contraction of the contra
licensee

- ☐ Universitieshaveaccesstopublicfundingforresearchwhichmaybeusedforfurther developmentoftheinvention
- ☐ Foundingstart-upsissimplified





Conclusions

- ☐ Successfullicensingrequireslongtimeperiods
- ☐ Theinventorbyhimselfhaslittlechanceofachievingthemaximumoutofhis invention:Whenmoneyismadefromtheinvention,legalchallengeswilldevelop
- ☐ Mistakesmadeatthebeginningofthework(cooperationagreements,thirdparty funding,patentlaw,serviceinventor 'slaw) maybecured (ifatall) withlarge effort
- ☐ Inventors should be given the possibility towork with experienced professionals-if will be worth the effort if the technology is developed successfully
- □ 50% of something is better than 100% of nothing

Thankyouforyourattention