Benefits of IP-based Technology Transfer for the University, its Stakeholders, and Society at Large

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Agenda

- □ The history of academic research commercialization
- □ Its impact
 - Internet
 - Healthcare
 - Massachusetts



The History of Academic Research Commercialization



The Fundamental Question

- □ Who owns the results of academic research?
 - □ They will control the commercialization of those results
- Only four options:
 - □ The professor who did the research and made the invention
 - □ The university that employed him
 - □ The organization that paid for the research
 - □ The company that wants to commercialize the invention



The US's Historic Approach

• "He who pays the piper calls the tune"

- Government funds the overwhelming bulk of university research
- Used to own the resultant IP
- Was totally ineffective at utilizing the IP it owned



The 1960's and 70's

- By 1978, Government owned title to 28,000 patents and had licensed fewer than 4% of them
 - Included royalty-free licenses
 - Professor licensing his own inventions
- Inventions reported to the Government were declining, despite booming funding of NIH and NSF
- Research was regarded as "contaminated" or "tainted" if it had received federal funding



What Was the Problem?

- Government wouldn't grant exclusive licenses
- Separation of Inventor from Invention
 - Academic inventions are embryonic and need active involvement of the inventor
 - Government controlled the patent rights
 - University controlled access to the inventor







The Bayh-Dole Act

- □ PL 96-517 The Patent and Trademark Amendments Act of 1980
- Main components:
 - Universities could elect to retain title to the results of Federally funded research
 - Universities were required to share proceeds with inventors
 - Most restrictions on licensing terms were removed
 - Can't assign (sell) the patent, only license it
 - □ US manufacture required for products to be sold in the US
 - Small business preference
 - Non-exclusive license to US Government for its own use
 - □ Ability to grant compulsory license in the public interest
- No funding added or removed



Key Success Factors of Bayh-Dole

- It established the "Institutional Ownership" model of technology management
- □ The government established very few impactful rules:
 - □ Share with inventors
 - Preference for small business
 - U.S. manufacturing
 - License not assign
- And then got out of the way
 - □ Virtually no changes in the 40 years since
 - Allowed a solid body of best practices to emerge



The Spread of the US Model

- Institutional ownership model of academic IP ownership has become dominant
 - Bayh-Dole in 1980
 - □ UK abolition of NRDC monopoly in 1988
- □ In Europe and Japan, "Professor's Privilege" dominated historically
 - Transitioned to institutional ownership ~2000
 - Japanese National Universities became private corporations in 2004
 - IN Europe, only Italy and Sweden still use Professor's Priviledge
- Institutional ownership model spreading in emerging economies
 - Brazil
 - S. Africa
 - India
 - Chile



The Impact of Research Commercialization



Development of Technology Transfer Ecosystem in U.S.

All data from the AUTM Annual Licensing Activity Survey
 1991-2007



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Academic Technologies Have the Power to Transform Economies

- Increasingly, companies do incremental research
- Fundamental breakthroughs come from the public sector
- Role of academic technology transfer to transform economies started to be realized soon after passage of Bayh-Dole



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The "Triple Helix" model of Economic Development



Government

Academia

Industry

fits of IP-based Technology



OUP, LLC

Start-Ups Formed



Start-Up Companies

- □ 13,085 formed 1980-2017
 - □ 72.4% located in same state as institution
 - Every state
 - 12.3% from California institutions*
 - 11.8% from Massachusetts institutions*
 - □ 363 by MIT*
 - 349 by University of California System*
 - 175 by University of Utah*
 - 43.3% still active in 2017

AUTM Annual Licensing Activity Survey 1994-2012

* Through 2010



100 SUCCESS STORIES



Government funding + University research =

INNOVATION, COMPANIES, JOBS

SPARKING ECONOMIC GROWTH

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Two Areas of Particular Impact

- The Internet
- Healthcare



The Internet









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The Impact of Public Sector Research on Drug Discovery



SPECIAL ARTICLE

The Role of Public-Sector Research in the Discovery of Drugs and Vaccines

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ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND

Historically, public-sector researchers have performed the upstream, basic research that elucidated the underlying mechanisms of disease and identified promising points of intervention, whereas corporate researchers have performed the downstream, applied research resulting in the discovery of drugs for the treatment of diseases and have carried out development activities to bring them to market. However, the boundaries between the roles of the public and private sectors have shifted substantially since the dawn of the biotechnology era, and the public sector now has a much more direct role in the applied-research phase of drug discovery.

METHODS

We identified new drugs and vaccines approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that were discovered by public-sector research institutions (PSRIs) and classified them according to their therapeutic category and potential therapeutic effect.

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RESULTS

We found that during the past 30 years, 153 new FDA-approved drugs, vaccines, or new indications for existing drugs were discovered through research carried out in PSRIs. These drugs included 93 small-molecule drugs, 36 biologic agents, 15 vaccines, 8 in vivo diagnostic materials, and 1 over-the-counter drug. More than half of these drugs have been used in the treatment or prevention of cancer or infectious diseases. PSRI-discovered drugs are expected to have a disproportionately large therapeutic effect.

CONCLUSIONS

Public-sector research has had a more immediate effect on improving public health than was previously realized.

Impact of Public Sector Research on Drug Discovery

357 FDA approved drugs, biologics, vaccines and *in vivo* diagnostics¹

U.S.	242
Non-U.S.	72
Both	43
	357

¹ Unpublished data A.J. Stevens, A. J., and M. Rohrbaugh



Discovering Countries

	<u>Country</u>	No. of Drugs	<u>%</u>
	US	285	66.6%
	Canada	22	5.1%
	UK	20	4.7%
	Germany	18	4.2%
	Belgium	15	3.5%
	Japan	14	3.3%
	Australia	13	3.0%
	Czech Republic	12	2.8%
	Israel	12	2.8%
	France	8	1.9%
	Sweden	4	0.9%
	Switzerland	1	0.2%
	China	2	0.5%
	Holland	1	0.2%
	Russia	1	0.2%
© 201	Total	428	



Number of Products

	Number
New Chemical Entity	231
Biologic	75
Vaccine	22
Over the counter	2
NCE / OTC	2
In-vivo diagnostic	<u>25</u>
Total	357



Therapeutic Categories

	Therapeutic Area	<u>Number</u>	<u>%</u>
	Oncology	85	23.8%
	Infectious Disease	68	19.0%
	Metabolic	48	13.4%
	CNS	45	12.6%
	Cardiology	22	6.2%
	Renal	14	3.9%
	Dermatology	14	3.9%
	Gastroenterology	12	3.4%
	Women's Health	11	3.1%
	Ophthalmology	9	2.5%
	Immunology	7	2.0%
	Anaesthesiology	6	1.7%
	Pulmonary	5	1.4%
	Urology	4	1.1%
	Allergy	2	0.6%
	Dental	2	0.6%
	Emergency Medicine	2	0.6%
	Otolaryngology	1	0.3%
© 2014-	Total	357	



Discovering Institutions

Institution	Number	
National Institutes of Health	27	
U. of California	21	
Emory University	19	
KU Leuven	14	
Czech Academy of Sciences	12	
Hans-Knoell-Institute Jena	10	
Tufts Medical Center	10	
Tufts University	10	
U. of Toronto	10	
Columbia University	9	
Memorial Sloan Kettering	9	
U. of Texas	9	
Individual	8	
Massachusetts General Hospital	8	
Weizmann Institute	8	



The Pharmaceutical Industry in Massachusetts

- In 1975, one pharmaceutical company in Massachusetts
 US HQ of Astra AB
- Two events:
 - □ Spin-outs from Harvard, MIT, BU, Tufts, etc.
 - Some succeeded and are FIBCO's today
 - Biogen, Vertex
 - Some stumbled and were acquired
 - □ Genetics Institute → AHP → Wyeth-Ayerst → Pfizer
 - Some succeeded and were still acquired
 - □ Genzyme → Sanofi
 - Massachusetts Biotechnology Research Park
 - Next to University of Massachusetts Medical Center
 - BASF first big pharma to move in
 - Discovered and developed Humira®
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Other Major Products Invented in Academia





A Cautionary Final Note

- Technology transfer from academic institutions can have a big impact on a country's economy
- BUT this doesn't necessarily translate to the activity being profitable for the university:
 - □ If a tech transfer office gets a 5% royalty
 - □ Or owns 5% of a start-up company that gets sold
 - It's doing a really great job
 - BUT THAT MEANS THAT 95% OF THE ECONOMIC IMPACT IS OUTSIDE THE UNIVERSITY

□ In the private sector

- □ Which had to finance the development of the university invention
- Tech transfer may benefit the country but be a net cost to individual universities



And university Presidents hate net costs!

A Cautionary Final Note

- Which is why governments should support tech transfer at their universities
 - □ It should be considered part of the country's core economic infrastructure

Like airports, railways, roads, internet etc.

- Support particularly important in the early stages
 - Typically for 10 years

Canada, Denmark, France, Japan, UK, Chile

Many of the inventions that come from emerging country economies target local problems, opportunities and issues



Thank you for listening

Questions?

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