

Birkeland Innovation – Transforming university research into knowledge-based innovation

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Creating Values of Science

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- Creating value for the society – TTOs role
- Research based innovation
- What makes "it" an innovation?
- Radical and incremental innovation
- Innovation from research – from idea to business
- Examples from Birkeland Innovation

Promoting a Knowledge Economy

- Technology-based innovation is critical to create wealth in society
- University research is a valuable source for innovations
- Technology transfer to existing companies and by creating new businesses



Objectives Norwegian TTOs



- Law changes in 2003 gave the commercial rights to the Universities
- Proactively contribute to build an innovative culture at the University
- Secure, administer and refine Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) for the University
- Perform technology transfer by creating new businesses and licensing to existing companies

Two missions and one team

- Create value for society
- Make money



Birkeland Team

- TTO for University of Oslo
- 13 employees
- Strong scientific competence in different fields, 4 Ph Ds
- IPR specialists and several with competence in patenting
- Industrial experience and entrepreneurs
- Start-up financing and commercial exits





What is research and knowledge based innovation?

Refine research and knowledge to a product or a service that fulfill a marked need and provide income

Creating Value from Science

An invention isn't necessary an innovation

- An invention shall describe a process or a product that has not been described before – and it shall not be intuitive
- But – an invention isn't necessary an innovation
- An innovation also require that someone want to buy the product and that it gives good income



From idea to product



Professor Rune Blomhoff has done research in nutrition and health for more than 20 years. His field is knowledge about antioxidants in food that keep us healthy



Innovation: New juices rich on antioxidants

Products:

- Mana juice
- Book on nutrition, health and cancer



From invention to product



Researcher Ola Nilsen makes the worlds thinnest "films" and surfaces with new Possibilities: new inventions.

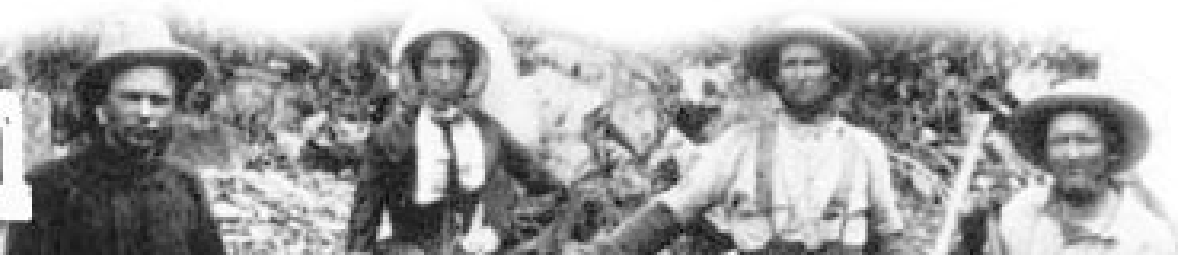
Several technological inventions are handed in to Birkeland Innovation.

The innovations might have several different applications, but what is the innovation that gives a product with good opportunity in the marked – and generate income?

The worlds thinnest display?



THE Gold Rush



Making money on selling “shovels and picks” to gold diggers/gene diggers

- Prospectors during the California gold rush bet everything they had on the long odds of finding gold, while merchants got rich selling them picks and shovels.
- The biotech business is similar, the great research effort behind the genome project and now the functional genomics effort, has created a large market for tools for the researchers
- In fact, companies that are making and selling tools and solutions to the research community has made more money than biotech / drug discovery companies
- Norway has a tradition in the tool business with Dynal, GenoVision, GenPoint etc.

There are two core types of innovation

Clayton Christensen, 2000

Disruptive innovations

- Redefines value proposition
- They under perform established products in mainstream markets
- Products based on disruptive technologies are typically cheaper, simpler, smaller and frequently more convenient to use
- Entrants nearly always win

Sustaining innovation

- Incremental improvements
- Improve the performance of established products
- Existing players
- Better products for bigger profits
- Incumbents nearly always win

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Start-up company
strategy

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- Increase of

Licensing strategy
to existing industry

Blue Ocean: Innovations to create a new market place

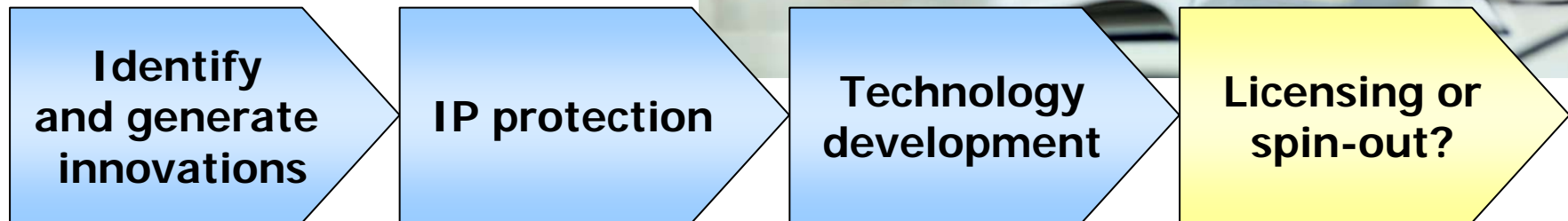


How does research based innovation happen at the University of Oslo?

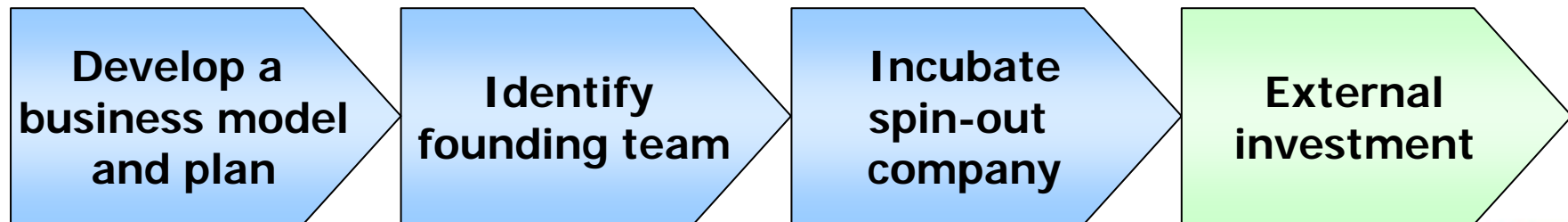
From idea to business



Phase I:



Phase II:

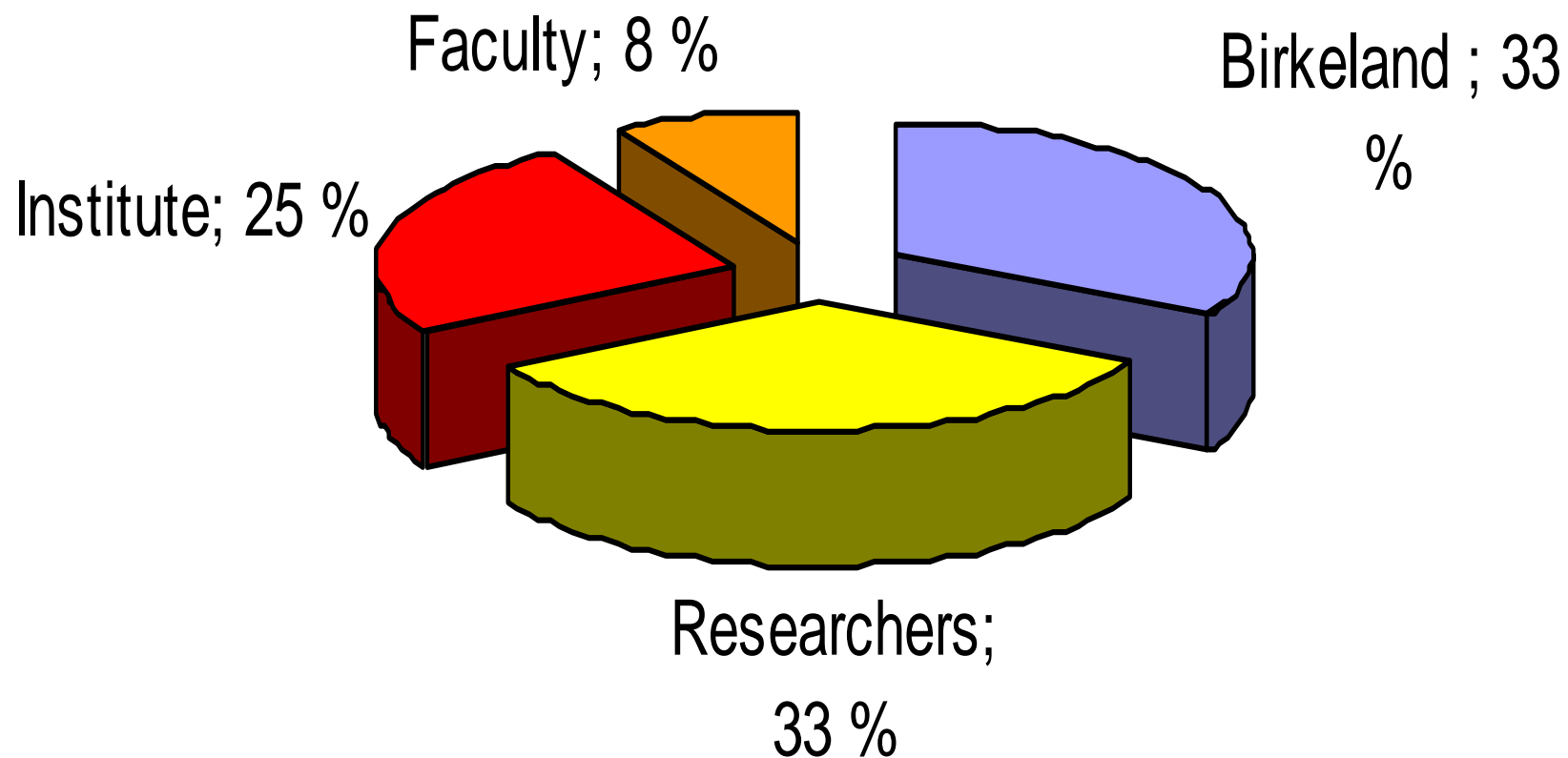


Proactively contribution from TTO

- Building relations to researchers
- Build understanding and knowledge in the research departments
- Competent TTO – being innovative on behalf of the researcher and the project
- Securing IP
- Project management
- Project financing, network and Venture Capital



IPR Policy

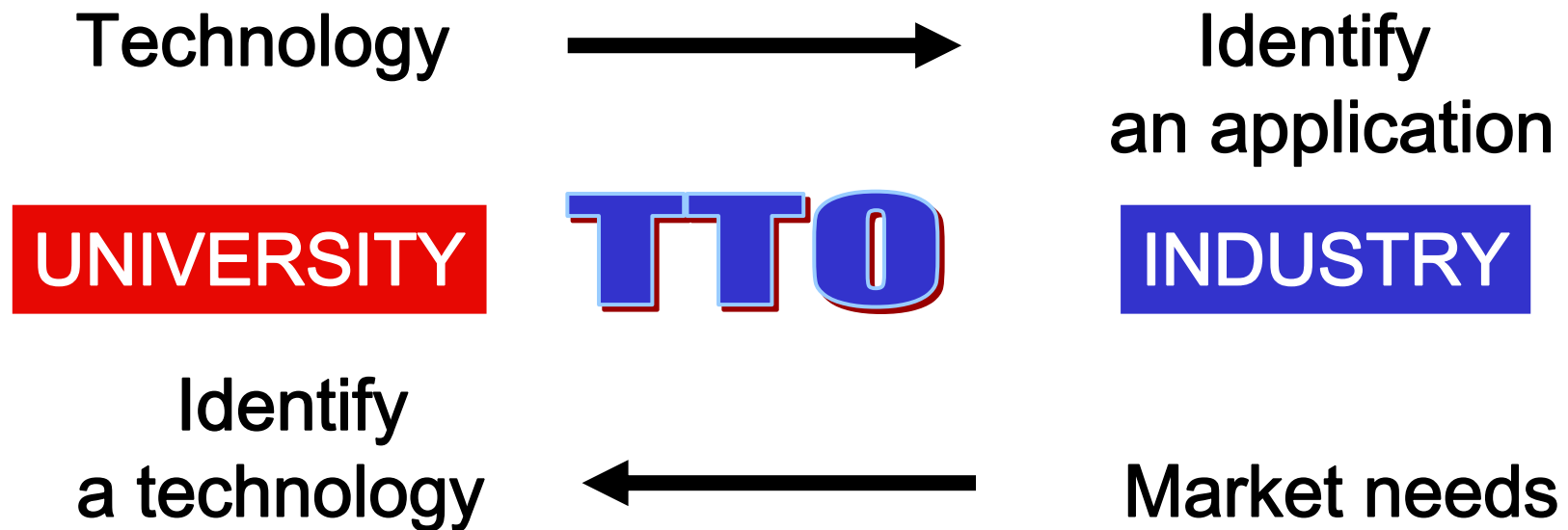


Aligning aims and close integration



- Aligning aims, objectives and incentives across an University, its departments, researchers and the TTO
- Close integration of TTO with other activities at the university (both research and education)
- Universities **must** take action to ensure such alignment

Research based but market driven innovation



People

- Innovation in a modern society is not only about technology – It's about people
- ... the researcher /inventor and the research team...
- Identify entrepreneurs to drive the process from technology to innovation and commercialization



Eksamples from Birkeland Innovation

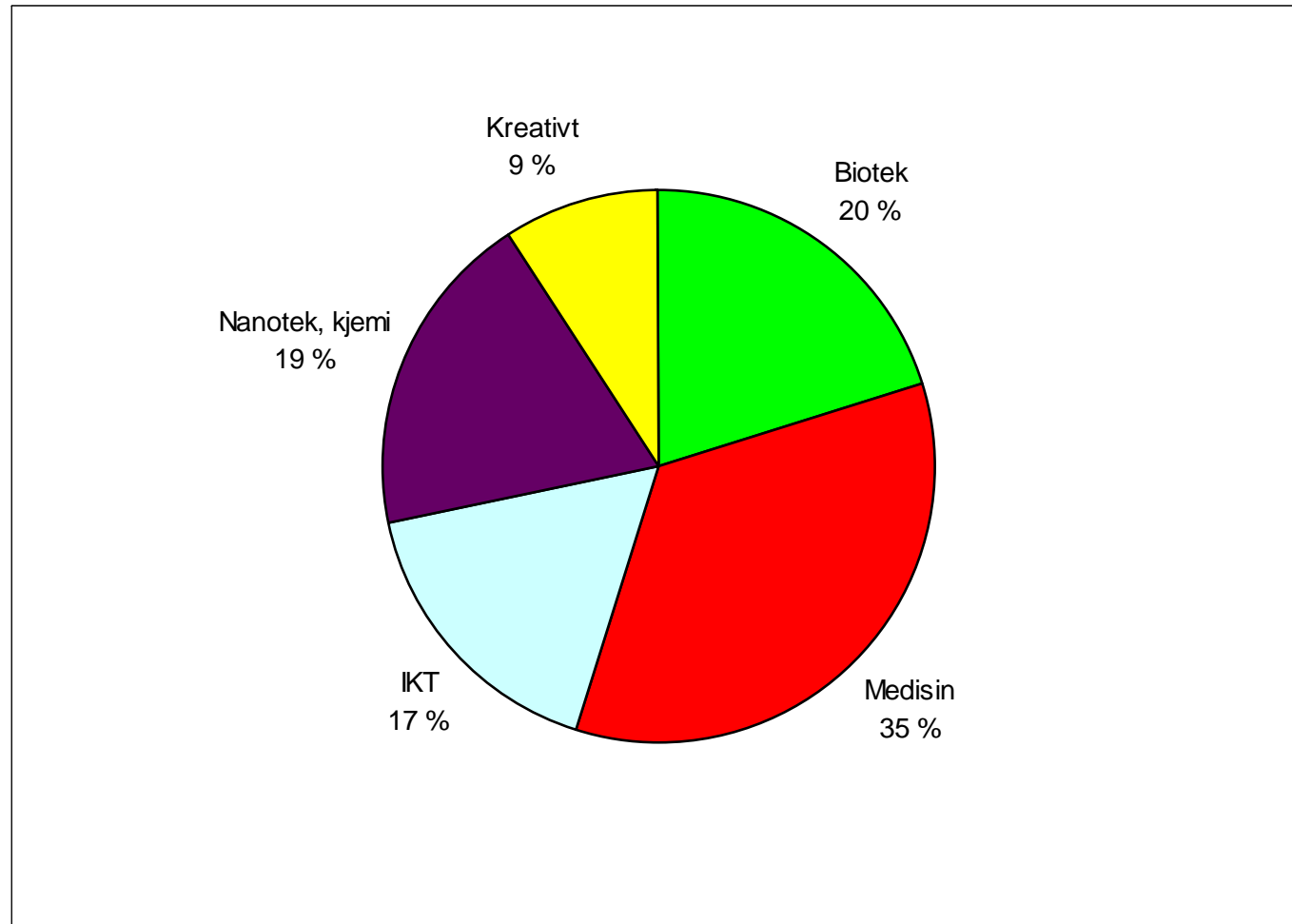
Deal flow: From ideas to business

- UiO deal flow: 70 disclosures per year
- Birkeland commercializes more than 10% of the disclosures per year
- Birkeland portfolio 2004-2008:
15 companies and 14 licenses



315 Disclosures (DOFI), and more than 350 researchers involved

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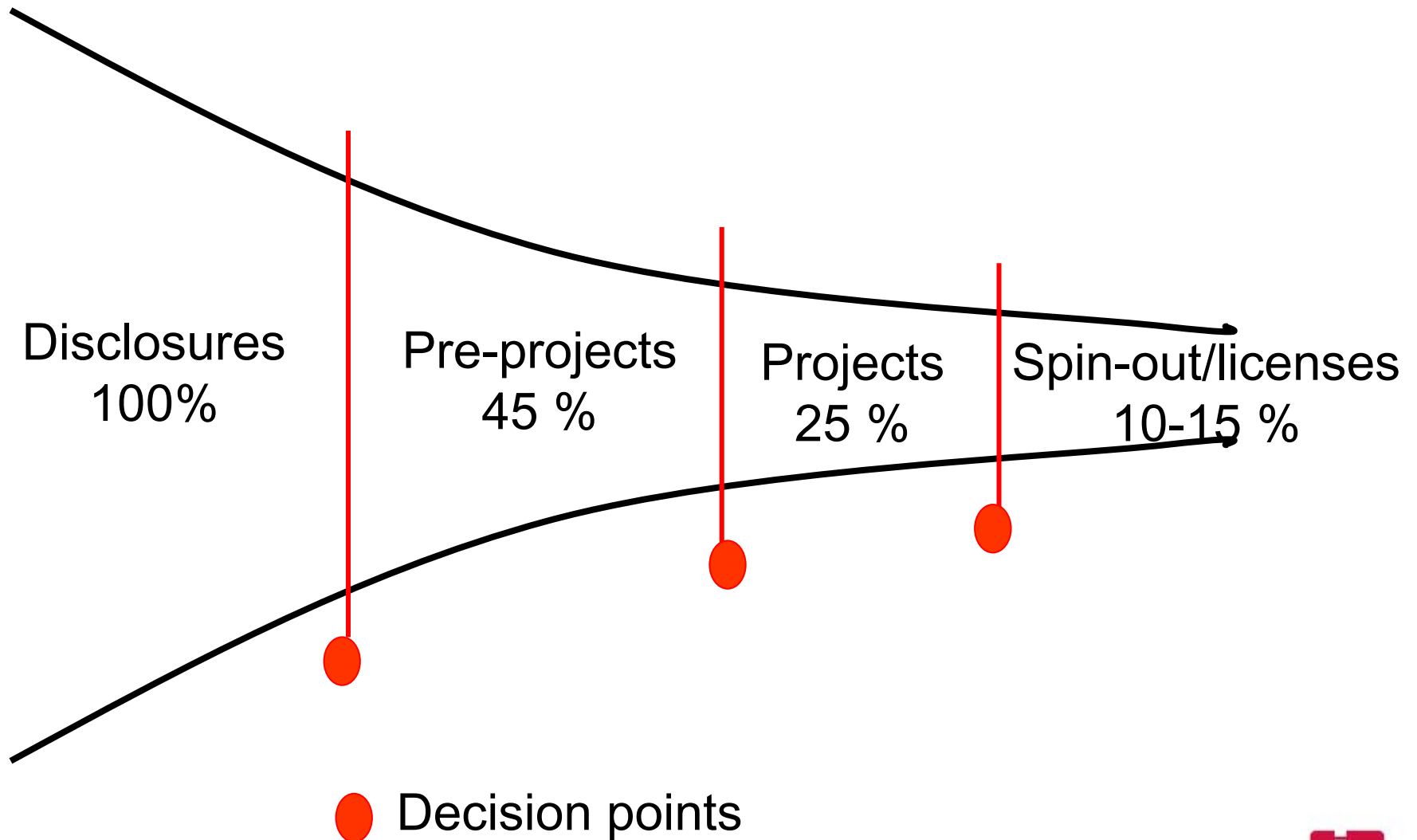


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Mål 2008

- 70 DOFI (46)
- 15 nye patentsøknader (8)
- 8 lisensavtaler (3)
- 4 bedriftsetableringer (1)
- 3-5 varemerkesøknader (2)

Commercializing technology





SENTER FOR MATERIALVITENSKAP OG NANOTEKNOLOGI

- Centre for Materials Science and Nanotechnology
- Basic research in materials science, micro- and nanotechnology, i.e materials for;
 - Energy technology
 - Oil, gass and environment
 - Information and communication technology
- Top international science
- Talented researchers
- Platform technologies
- About 40 DOFI / ideas from 2004-2008
- About 15 patents filed
- Today – research based innovation with a focus on marked need
- A result of talent, interested researchers, innovation culture, interaction with companies and marked, and Birkeland Innovation



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PROTIA AS

- Based on new, unique material class - $\text{La}(\text{Nb},\text{Ta})\text{O}_4$
 - Professor Truls Norby and Reidar Haugrud - UiO/SMN in 2004.
 - Developed together with NTNU and SINTEF.
- Great potential within environmental energy production
 - More clean and effective use of natural gas (50 % less CO_2)
 - New battery technology for energy saving from sun wafers (for use when sun doesn't shine)
- Industrialisation proses:
 - Need 80 – 100 mill NOK in first FoU phase
 - More than 30 mill NOK already given by Norwegian Research Council to the research behind the innovation ("PCFC-pack")
 - ...Venture investors show great interest..
 - First investment by Springfondet (Kistefos Private Equity) in place

- 30. March 2005: DOFI
- Software, providing proactive protection against several types of datavirus.



Tom Lysemose Hansen



2005 Idea evaluation, patent filing, technology development

2006 Founding team with Tom as CEO and start-up of Promon AS. Incubation at Birkeland

2007 Seed Funding by Springfondet.
5 employees and Promon has moved to Nydalen

- Closed the first industrial contract

2008 2nd round seed funding....

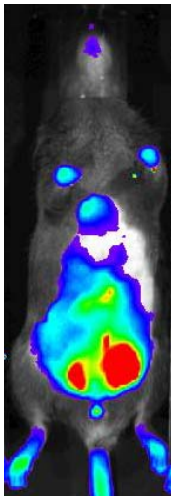
P R O M O N





..is a biotechnology company developing preclinical models for *in vivo* molecular imaging

Reduce cost and time-to-market for pharmaceutical development by providing high quality *in vivo* data at the molecular level in early preclinical R&D phase



- *In vivo*, in living animals
- Real time visualization
- Temporal and spatial resolution
- Non-invasive
- Reduce animal requirements
- "C- ing is believing"

Cash positive
3Q 2006

A photograph of the Earth as seen from space, showing the Americas and surrounding oceans. The planet is set against a dark blue background filled with numerous stars. The text "World Beside" is overlaid in a bold, yellow, sans-serif font across the center of the image.

World Beside

Hva er World Beside?

- **Knowledge game for kids and pupils in Norwegian high school (System for game based learning)**
- **Content based on teaching plan for Norwegian School**
- **Pupils, teachers and experts can develop installations and do problem solving in 3D world – sharing their knowledge with others**
- **Based on 10 years technology and game research and development from Informatics**



Birkeland Publications

.....har som forretningsidé å bringe forskning og kunnskap til et allment publikum gjennom produksjon av publikasjoner / publikasjonsprosjekter....

- Bøker (ikke lærebøker)
- Lydbøker
- Video/DVD
- Internettportal

WWW.BIRKELAND PUBLICATIONS.NO



FORSKNING SOM HJELPER DEG





**Birkeland Publication's
first publication - 13. November 06**

Prostata cancer and nutrition

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Det handler om livet ditt

Mat mot prostatakreft

Prostatakreft er den vanligste kreftsykdommen hos menn. Men mye kan gjøres for å forebygge sykdommen – og forlenge livet.

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FOTO: OY HUSSON/STEN RØD

Det er flere menn som får prostatakreft enn kvinner som får brystkreft. Men mens det skrives mye om brystkreft, virker det som om det er liten innseser og kunnskap om prostatakreft. Mange er derfor uvitende om at prostatakreft er den vanligste kreftformen blant norske menn.

Altså og arv er faktorer vi ikke kan gjøre noe med.

Men kan kosthold og livsstil være med på å forebygge sykdommen? Det er noe som forskere prøver å finne ut av.

Hvor prost

Arv og



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Summary – How to succeed?

Top international science

Committed University at all levels

IPR policy – Conflict of interest policy

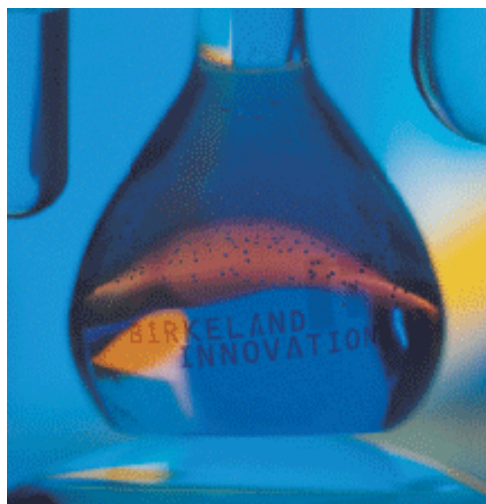
Competent tech transfer organization

Networks – TTO & industrial

TTO pre-seed fund

Access to entrepreneurs

Seed funding & venture capital



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