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## **ARIIS:** the Alliance for Research and Innovation in the Healthcare Industry

#### Public-Private Partnerships: Accelerating Innovation

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### **ARIIS: Key objectives**

- ARIIS has been working to unite the healthcare industry since February 2010
  - backed by the industry association, the FEFIS
- Bringing together healthcare stakeholders around the themes of Research and Innovation:
  - players in the drug industry,
  - medical technology,
  - diagnostics,
  - biotechnologies (human and veterinary)
  - Close coordination with public sector organizations (e.g. AVIESAN, Inserm, CNRS, etc.)
- ARIIS aims to:
  - promote not just public-private partnerships, but also private-private partnerships
  - provide partner with greater visibility by interacting with key competitiveness clusters IHUs (university hospitals), in the context of global clusters



#### **Actions**

- Supporting IA (Future Investment) winners
- Participating in the national biobank network
- Translational research
- Innovation school
- Lead the International Research Meetings (RIR)
- Functional map of the R&D centers of members and Future Investment (IA) winners
- Audit of public/private partnerships

### **Facilitating role**

**Mission 1: Future Investments** 

## 1. Support for IAs, in line with the criteria for industrial players and predefined by the committee

- ➤ 4 Hearings for project sponsors
- > 27 Future investment projects reviewed and supported:

13 IHUs (university hospitals), 2 IRTs (tech research institutes), 4 Labex's (laboratories of excellence), 3 infrastructure projects, 2 Carnot Institutes (animal health and lymphoma), 1 industry committee, 1 PHUC (university hospital oncology research institute), 1 Equipex (facilities of excellence), ...

#### 2. Bringing these future investments to the industry's attention

- Presenting winners before the committee:
  - The 6 IHUs + the IRT in infectiology
  - Projects in the Alsace region: Alsace Biovalley, SATT Conectus and 3 Labex's (INRT; Medalis; HepGen)
  - ...

## 3. Channelling industry's contribution to the strategic orientations of future investments, especially in their governance

- →I. Thizon de Gaulle represents ARIIS on the board of the IHU ICAN
- → P. Denèfle represents ARIIS on the strategic guidance board of the IHU A-ICM

#### 4. Improving clarity for these future investments

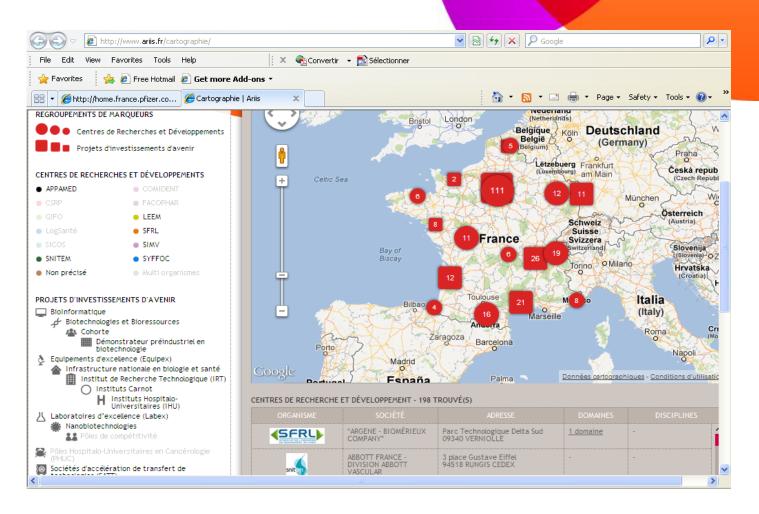
Building an **interactive map** of future investments in collaboration with the CGI (Commissariat-General for Investment)

1st wave mapped: 153 projects

2nd wave: end of September - 86 projects

**Publication** on the ARIIS website since May 30th 2012

## Link between healthcare industry research sites and future investments



Next step: Implementing the measures of the CSIS (Strategic Council of the Healthcare Industry)



- Measure n° 1: Amplifying public-private research partnerships
  - Simplifying the partnership process
  - Optimizing the way drug compounds are used as a research tool
  - Supporting the development of public-private partnerships

- Measure n° 2: Strengthening clinical and translational research
  - Promoting translational research
  - Promoting clinical research



### **Accelerating innovation models:**

**New kinds of partnerships?** 

## Attractiveness of PPPs in France

Quality of care and Biomedical Research

Pluridisciplinary training courses

- Emergence of patient-focused concentrations and skills hubs
  - Future investments, in particular IHUs (uni hospitals)
  - Centers of Excellence in Translational Medicine (CEMTs)
  - Network of CICs (clinical research centers), etc.

### PPP incentives - examples

- Part of the French National Research Agency's (ANR) role is to stimulate cooperation between public and private research players.
  - Calls for projects
  - Resources for promoting partnership-based research
    - The Carnot program,
    - Support for competitiveness clusters,
    - Research tax credits,
    - · Industrial chairs,
    - Cifre theses (Cifre = industrial research-based training agreements)

## Development of a tool for monitoring Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs)

in the French Healthcare sector

2011 Study

Objectives:

Quantify and qualify PPPs in France for facilitating and accelerating the creation of Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs)

#### **Context and Method**

This initial study, carried out in 2011, looks at PPPs signed or on which negotiations began in 2010

#### Four main partnership types:

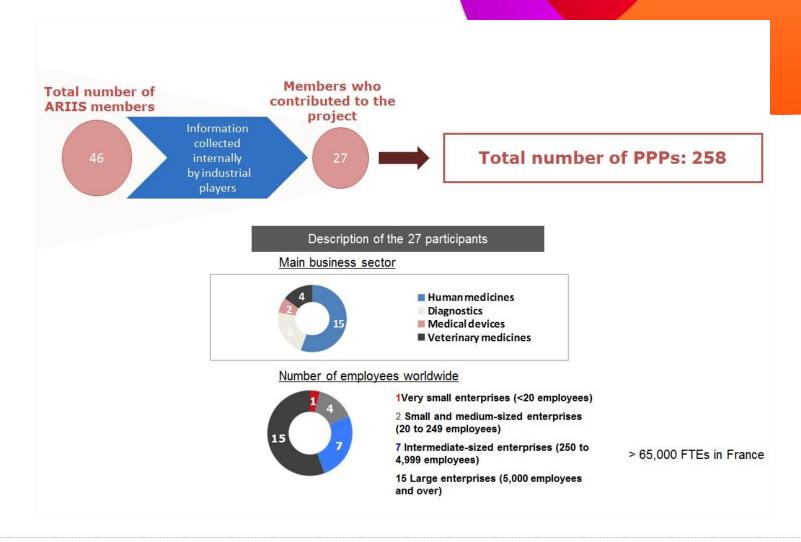
R&D projects

Licensing agreements

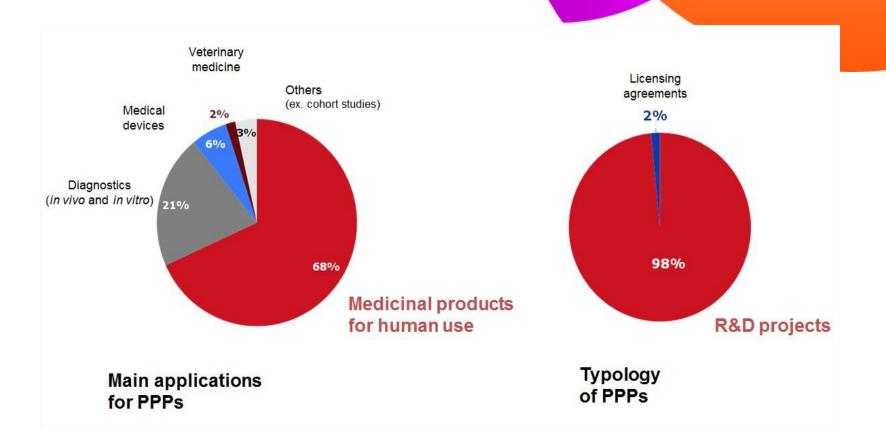
Creation of a mixed unit

Technological platform

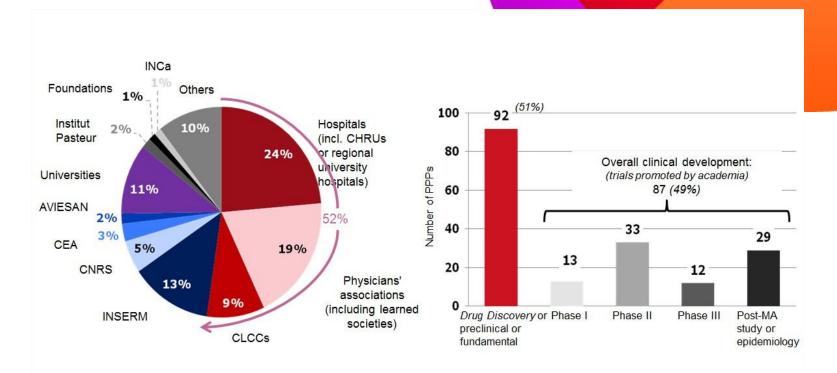
#### Nature of the stakeholders



## **Nature of projects**



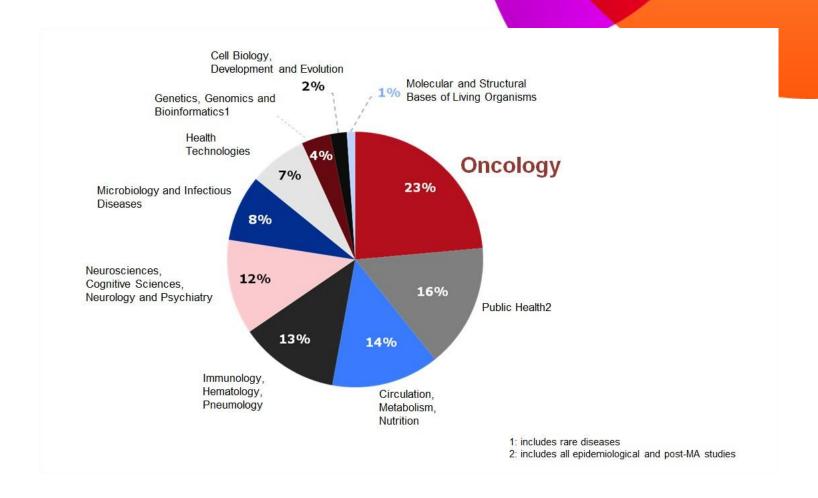
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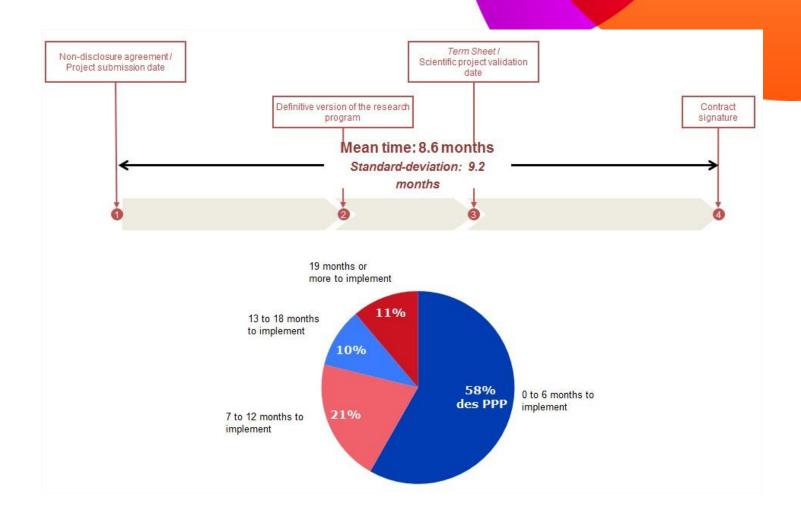
#### 52% involve a treatment centre or clinicians' associations

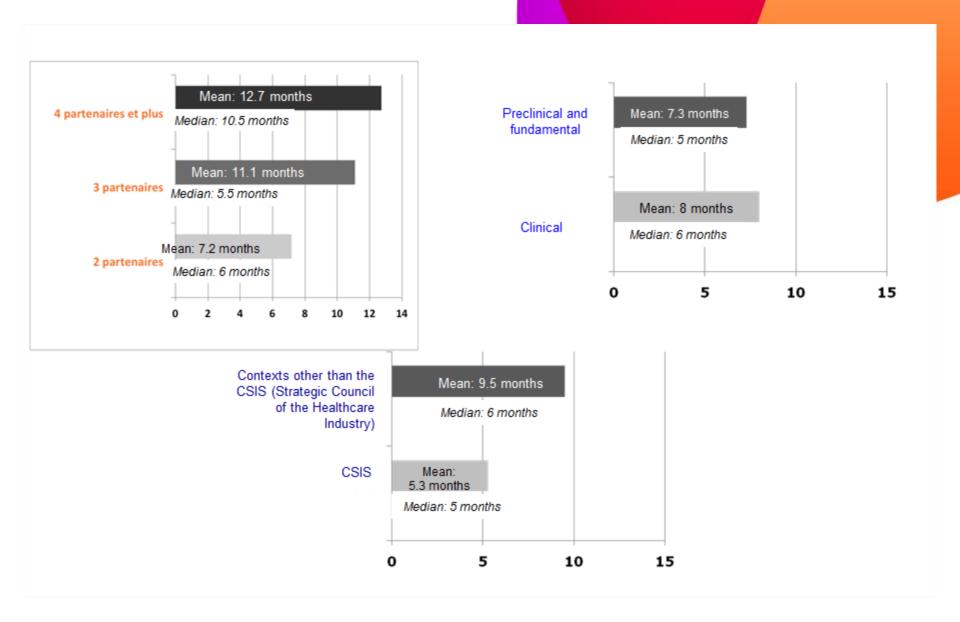
INCa (National Cancer Institute)
AVIESAN (French National Alliance for Life Sciences and Health)
CEA (Centre for Nuclear Studies)
CNRS (French National Centre for Scientific Research)
INSERM (French National Institute for Health and Medical Research)
CLCC (Centers for Combating Cancer)

## Representation of research units (as per ITMO multi-organization thematic institute classification)



### Timeframes for creation of PPPs





#### **Factors for success**

#### Favorable environments

the CSIS, International Research Meetings, etc.

#### Support structures:

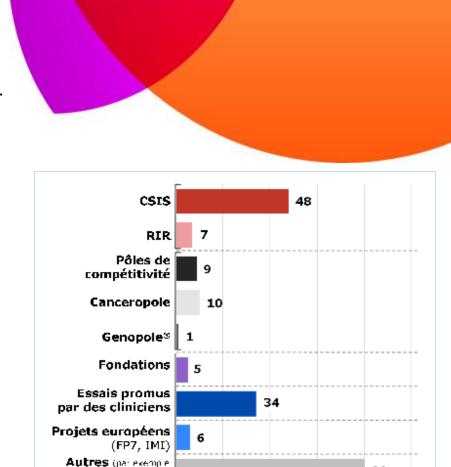
competitiveness clusters, foundations, etc.

#### Simplified public funding:

- European (IMI, etc.)
- National (FUI single interministry fund, etc.)

#### A suitable organization:

- Academic promotion unit, dedicated PPP team for industrial players
  - a single point of contact
- Term-sheets and standard contracts for documenting basic principles and then focusing on partnership specifics,
- Early involvement of support functions such as legal affairs.



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## New Public-Private Partnerships The role of ARIIS



Facilitating networks

Identifying barriers

Leveraging

Monitoring progress (e.g. timeframes)

## Relative roles & responsibilities

#### "Current" model

A short-term project is proposed, generally by the academic investigator

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- An industry sponsor funds the project or supply reagents, and the end result is a publication.
  - Role of the investigator?
  - Fit with Industry strategy unclear and undiscussed

#### 20 new alliances in 2012



# Capitalization on the value that each party brings to the relationship:

#### Physician-scientists

- Deep knowledge of the biology of a specific disease process,
- Platforms/tools to study it
- Continuity of focus built upon long careers in a given field.
- Access to human tissue samples
- Access to patients for ultimate clinical trials.

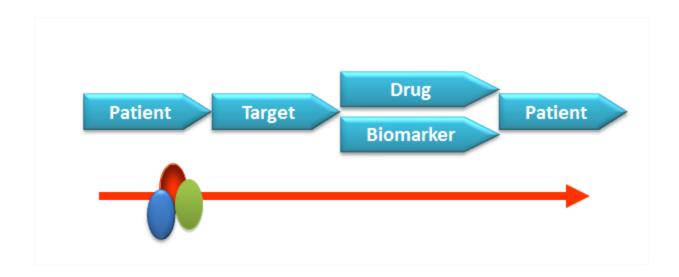
#### The industry partner

- Molecule libraries,
- Critical ability to optimize a starting molecule to make a viable drug,
- Deep expertise in the long process of developing a drug including the ability to bring it through regulatory review and to market.

## Toward personalized medicine

Translational R&D as an new partnership model

"Fast Path to POC"



Private/Patient/Public

### Inviting Academia to take the lead?

#### Clear the path to the clinic

- a molecule with a clear disease relevant MoA
- in pre-selected patient populations
- with appropriate decision-enabling biomarkers



"...the world is becoming too fast, too complex and too networked for any company to have all the answers inside."

— Yochai Benkler: The Wealth of Networks

Source: Nurjana Bachman, PhD, Boston Children's Hospital, Innovation blog, July 2011

#### **Benchmarking**

- Pfizer's Centers for Therapeutic Innovation (CTI),
  - 20 centers, 300 applications
  - Shared translational sciences from early to POC







- J&J's Corporate Office for Science and Technology (COSAT),
  - The 4 J&J Innovation centers, located in California, London, Boston, China
- Bayer's Grants4Targets initiative
  - Translational research prgms in 4 disease areas



Connecting compounds to patients







#### Conclusion

- The Approach and Environment to Healthcare is changing fast and deeply
- France is qualitatively and quantitatively very attractive for PPP
- There is an opportunity to simplify, adapt and enlarge PPP models
- Time is of the essence: role for ARIIS in reducing time to PPP signature



## Thanks

