



## Puerto Rico as an Economy Exporting Knowledge

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## **Knowledge Economy**

### Wikipedia:

- Economy of knowledge: an economy focused on the production and management of knowledge in the frame of economic constraints.
- Knowledge-based economy: the use of knowledge technologies (such as knowledge engineering and knowledge management) to produce economic benefits as well as job creation.
- Knowledge is a product



What knowledge assets does Puerto Rico have to bring economic benefits and stimulate job creation?



### **Assets of Puerto Rico**

- Existing manufacturing base particularly in pharmaceuticals & medical devices
- Highly educated population, particularly scientific and engineering fields
- Attractive tax incentives
  - Law 73- Economic Incentive law
  - Law 101- Tax exemptions to academic scientists
- Existing Research and Development Centers
  - Collaborators and Partners
  - Suppliers and Contractors



# The Potential Collaborators/Business Partners

- Molecular Science Building
  - 120,000 sq ft research facility
  - \$67M investment



- UPR Comprehensive Cancer Center
  - Joint Venture MD Anderson Cancer Center
- Institute for Functional Nanotechnology
  - Joint Venture with NASA
- Materials Characterization Center



# The Potential Collaborators/Business Partners

#### Caribbean Primate Center

- Cayo Santiago (CS) is a field research site, maintains free-ranging rhesus monkeys under semi-natural conditions for behavioral research and noninvasive biomedical research.
- Sabana Seca (SSFS) It houses Cayo
   Santiago-derived rhesus monkeys divided into conventional and SPF breeding programs.
- Laboratory for Primate Morphology and Genetics (LPMG), houses the CPRC skeletal collections, including a unique collection of complete specimens of Macaca mulatta.
- Virology Laboratory (VL), this laboratory performs serological testing of herpes, STLV-1, SRV, and SIV in rhesus macaques.





# The Contractors: Open for Business



**Bioprocessing Training &** 

**Development Center** 





- Located at the Guanajibo Research and Innovation Park, Mayaguez
- 16,000 sqft of laboratory space, 6,200sqft available, \$12M investment
- Offers low cost incubator space for New Co's. since 2008
- Modern Bioprocess R&D Labs: Microbial and Mammalian Cell Culture,
   Purification Development, Bio-Analytical capacity available.



# The Contractors: Open for Business

ViTec2 - Incubator



- Business Accelerator located in a 22,000 sqft industrial building in La Quinta Industrial Park in Mayaguez.
- Houses 10 Companies, and has graduated 10 companies (7 from local entrepreneurs and 3 landing sites for Aerospace companies).
- 40% Companies in Life Sciences
- Established on January 1999
- Two new business incubators being established



# The Contractors: Open for Business

- Clinical Research Center Located at the UPR Medical Center, well-positioned for patient recruitment
- <u>CAIMED Ambulatory Center for Clinical</u>
   <u>Research</u> Affiliated with the Ponce School of Medicine. Staff dedicated to clinical research, extensive experience.
- <u>Contract Manufacturing</u> Patheon, Inc.
   offers small scale contract manufacturing services for clinical trials









## The Public Policy:

### Science, Technology & Research Trust

- Established by law 214 of August 18, 2004 to define & implement technology public policy
- \$80M of assets, including 70 acres in the Knowledge Corridor
- \$6M per year operating budget
- Uses of Funds
  - Research
    - Financial support to recruit researchers
    - Direct grants to fund research
  - Commercialization
    - Technology transfer office
    - Seed & early stage funding
  - Science City building a research park





## The Public Policy:

### Science, Technology & Research Trust

- Thomas Farb, CEO Science, Technology & Research Trust
  - Venture Capital & Private Equity Experience
    - Co-founder and Managing Director of Boston and Shanghai-based venture capital firm, New America Partners, LLC
    - General Partner of Summit Partners, Boston & London
  - Entrepreneurial Experience founder of
    - HNC Software (NASDAQ; HNCS) software & analytics company focusing on credit card and insurance fraud (acquired by Fair Isaac, NASDAQ: FICO)
    - Redwood Trust (NYSE: RWT) real estate investment trust
    - SafTMed --producer of medical safety syringes (sold to Becton Dickinson)
    - Exact Laboratories (NASDAQ: EXAS) applied genomics for diagnosis of colon cancer
    - Zencheng Power Corporation, Guangzhou, China, an electric power plant
    - MedicaMetri -- prostate cancer diagnostic & device
  - Company Experience
    - President Indevus Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ:IDEV) currently \$125M per year, acquired Endo Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ:ENDP).
    - Senior Vice President of Interneuron Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ:IPIC)
    - Vice President of Business Development of Cytc Corporation (NASDAQ;CYTC), acquired by Hologic (NASDAQ:HOLX)



## The Public Policy:

### Science, Technology & Research Trust

#### Board of Trustees

- Secretary of the Department of Economic Development and Commerce
- President of the University of Puerto Rico
- President of the Government Development Bank
- Executive Director of the Puerto Rico Industrial Development Company (PRIDCO)
- Executive Director of the Office of Budget and Management
- Dr. Lester Martinez, former Commanding General of US Army Medical Research and Materials Command
- Dr. Fabrizio Bonanni, Senior VP of Global Manufacturing for Amgen
- Dr. Emma Fernandez- Repollet, Director RCMI Program
- Dr. Mariano Garcia –Blanco, Professor of Molecular Genetics and Microbiology,
   Professor of Medicine and Director of the Duke Center for RNA Biology at Duke
   University Medical Center



## Leveraging Knowledge-based Assets A Replicable Model

#### **PR Entrepreneurs**

Ignacio Pino Enterprize Competition Winner

#### **Top Notch Scientists**

- Daniel Eichinger- NYU
- Jef Boeke John Hopkins
- Seth Blackshaw, John Hopkins
- Wendy Yap (consulting experience)
- Heng Zhu John Hopkins



Development and commercialization of monoclonal antibodies for research and diagnostic purposes

#### PR Skilled Labor

4 Laboratory Technician1 Animal Care Specialist1 Office Manager

#### Money

NIH Grants (JH Collaboration)
PR Science and Technology Trust
PRIDCO grant

#### **Incubator and Research Space**

Bioprocesses Plant, Mayaguez Ponce School of Medicine Animal Facilities

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### Caribbean Biotechnologies Inc.

#### MARKET OPP: MEDICAL DEVICES

- •Detection of infectious Diseases (TB).
- •Bioterrorism .

Instantaneous Bio Threat Identification System (I.B.T.I.S.)

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#### **FINANCING**

- •Federal NSF. SBIR
- •State- EDB



## TECHNOLOGY (PATENTED)

2-Photon Fluorescence

Particle Detection Pat. No. 7,595,864



# Summary of Assets for PR Knowledge Economy

- Research and incubator space available, partly subsidized by PR Industrial Development Company (PRIDCO).
- Collaborators at the University of Puerto Rico, the Caribbean Primate Center, UPR Comprehensive Cancer Center, Molecular Science Center.
- Contractors available: UPR and Ponce School of Medicine Clinical Research Centers, Patheon.
- Government mandate to support growth of Science and Technology through the Science, Technology & Research Trust.
- Strong knowledge of the pharmaceutical industry, available management.

Can we move fast enough to leverage existing assets into a strong knowledge economy?



## Thank you!

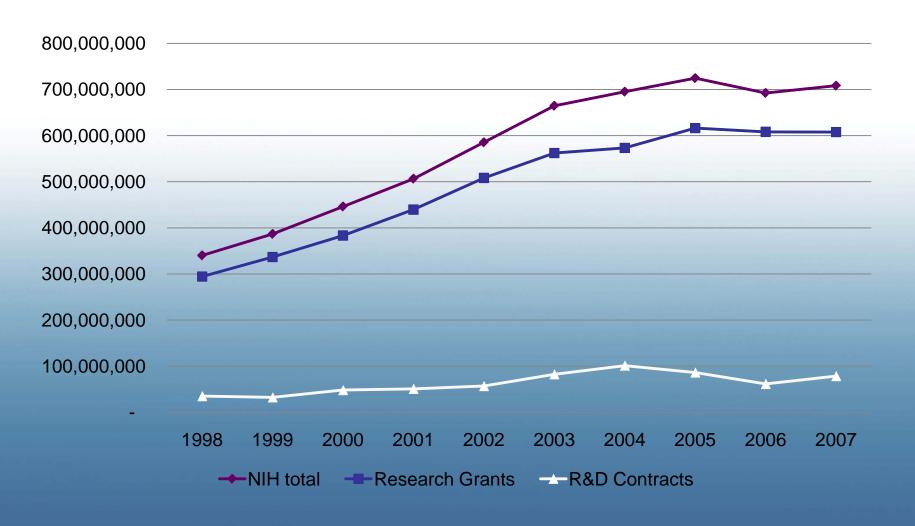


## Ohio's ROI

- 2008 launched the Third Frontier, a \$1.6B
   10yr initiative to support technology-based economic development.
  - State expenditures as of 2009 \$681M
  - Returns \$6.6B economic activity
  - 41,300 total jobs (direct and indirect)



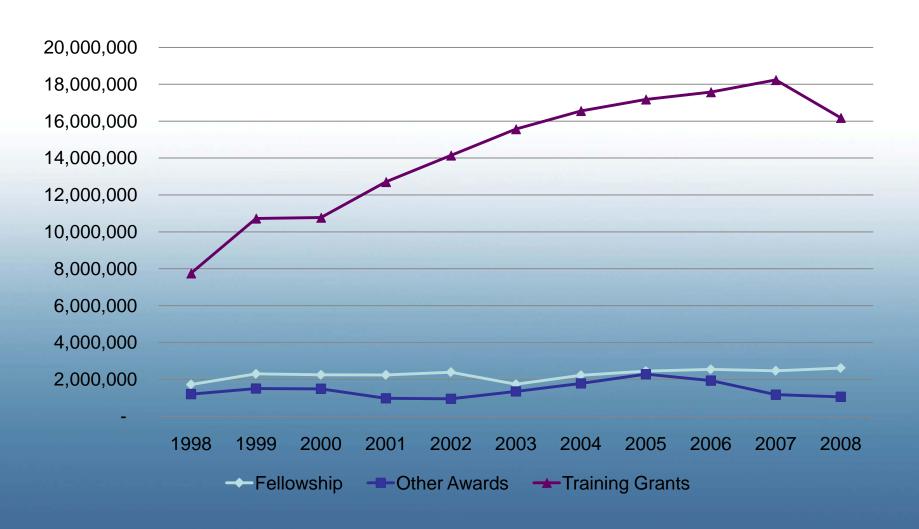
## **Ohio NIH Funding**



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## **Ohio NIH Funding- Other**



## **Ohio Performance**

- According to a recent study, Ohio Third Frontier has made an impact by:
  - Dramatically increasing the availability of early-stage capital
  - Improving the entrepreneurial environment for technology
  - Improving research and development collaboration
  - Driving employment growth in Ohio's technology sector
  - Contributing to the diversity and competitiveness of Ohio's manufacturers
  - Recruiting non-Ohio companies
  - Charting a course consistent with tech-based growth in other regions