NEURON BPh: *Hybrid Biotechnology*

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NEURON DESCRIPTION

- Spanish biotech company, located at **Granada's** Health-Science Technological Park + commercial office in **Florida** (US).
- **Spin-off** from the Universidad Autonoma de Madrid
- Business activity started in September 2006.
- 45-people staff : 17 Ph.Ds.
- 37 agreements with public research groups (Universities from Granada, Almeria, Seville, Malaga, Jaen, Madrid, Barcelona,, Leon, etc).
- IP: 7 patent applications + 4 exclusive licensee





Since 1 July 2010 **Neuron BPh** is quoted on the Spanish Alternative **Stock Market** (MAB)

- **IPO**: 2,5 M€
- First biotech company in the MAB
- Only Andalusian company in this market
- Only company to trade on the continuous market
- More than 2,500 shareholders (Universities, National Alzheimer's Association, banks, staff, small investors...)
- Market capitalization: 14 18 M€









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Hybrid engine combining:

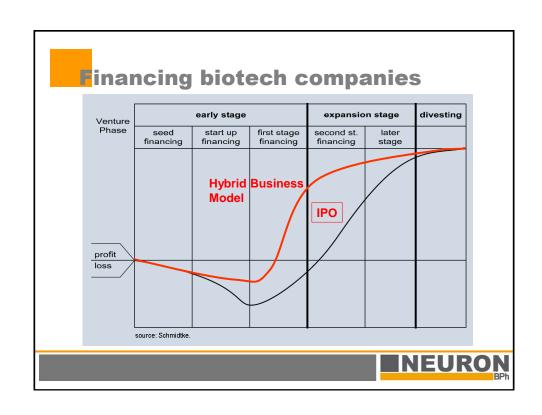
- fuel economy
- acceleration when needed
- environmentally friendly

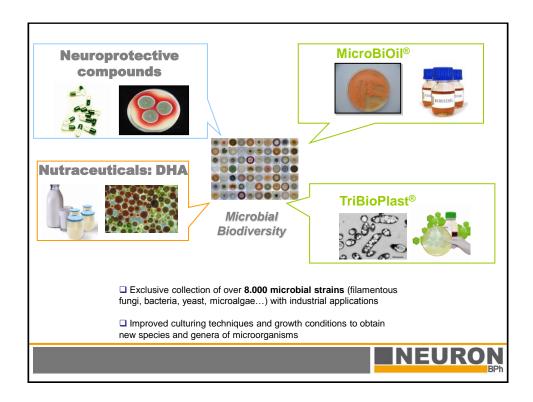




- Business model: (Bio)Technology licensor
 - BioPharma: discovery and development of neuroprotectants
 - From discovery to Phase II clinical trial.
 - Co-development or out-license.
 - Potential high long-term revenues from out-license agreements
 - BioIndustrial: development of industrial bioprocesses.
 - From microliters to industrial scale.
 - · Out-license of technologies.
 - · Turn key projects.
 - Benefits from year 1 by contractual research agreements with important food and biofuel companies (Grupo SOS, REPSOL, ABENGOA...).
 - Synergies:
 - Pharmaceutical know-how applied to bioindustrial applications
 - · Shared equipment and biotechnological "toolbox"







UGR and NEURON

- Neuron BPh and the University of Granada signed in 2007 a framework agreement for the development of biomedical research projects. Under this agreement NEURON BPh transferred to the University of Granada 1% of its shares.
- Join activities in the fields of **pharmaco-dynamics** and **analytical chemistry** focused on the discovery of new drugs for Alzheimer disease.
- This agreement regulates the use of **technical tools** (animal facilities, lab equipment, etc) between NEURON and academic researchers.
- Collaboration for the **incorporation of UGR's students to the company** (Job Applicants database & Selection).
- Collaboration in the **EC funded project NUTRIMENTHE** studying the effect of early nutrition on the mental development of children (Scientific leadership of UGR).





- 1. Close partnership deals for NST0037 development.
- 2. Take novel lead compounds to clinical stages and fuel our pipeline.
- 3. Scale-up industrial bioprocesses to demonstration plants.



