



WIPO | Re:Search

Sharing Innovation
in the Fight Against
Neglected Tropical Diseases

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WIPO Re:Search is bringing innovative medical technologies to the fight against NTDs, malaria and tuberculosis by brokering new research partnerships and sharing knowledge.

Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs), malaria and tuberculosis blight the lives of a billion people worldwide. There is an urgent need for new and better drugs, diagnostics and vaccines.

WIPO Re:Search was established in 2011 by the World Intellectual Property Organization in collaboration with BIO Ventures for Global Health (BVGH) and with the active participation of leading pharmaceutical companies and other private and public sector research organizations.

WIPO Re:Search is a global consortium through which public and private sector organizations

share their IP, compounds, expertise, facilities and know-how with qualified researchers working on new solutions for NTDs, malaria and tuberculosis.

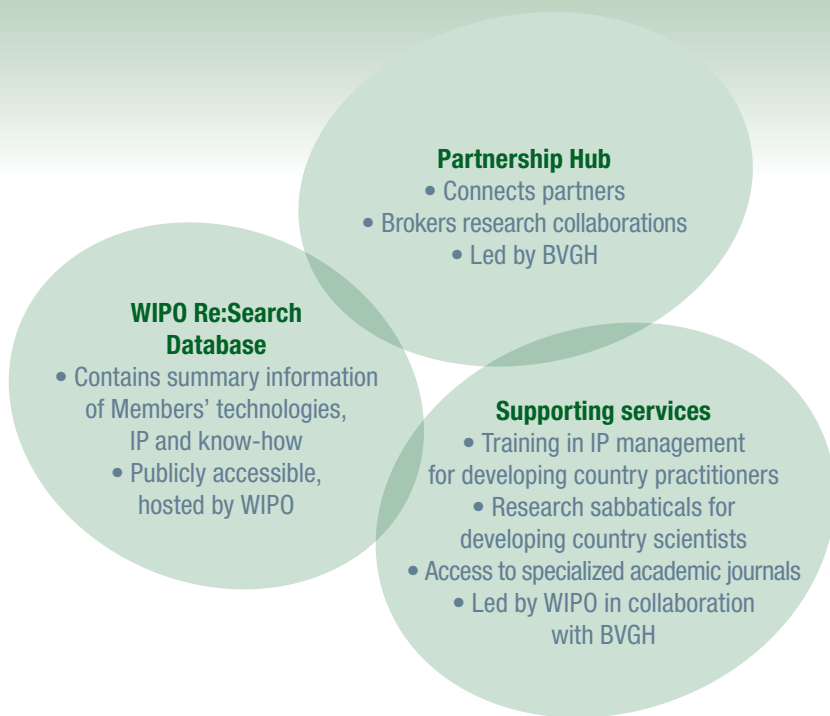
WIPO Re:Search consists of an online, freely accessible database of IP, technology and other knowledge assets, and a Partnership Hub administered by BVGH, a leading non-profit global health organization. BVGH proactively connects potential users and licensees of WIPO Re:Search, creating research collaborations and ensuring WIPO Re:Search assets are being used productively.

WIPO Re:Search Members include some of the world's largest pharmaceutical companies, prestigious academic institutions and product development partnerships.

Guiding Principles

The Consortium is a voluntary endeavor of Members that endorse the WIPO Re:Search Guiding Principles, which include a commitment to:

- » provide royalty-free licenses for research, development and manufacture anywhere in the world
- » make products available royalty-free to all Least Developed Countries
- » consider in good faith access for all developing countries, taking into account the economic development of the countries and the need to facilitate access to disadvantaged populations.



Harnessing intellectual property in the fight against NTDs

WIPO Re:Search makes Members' IP assets more widely available to the global research community.

These include:

- » Compounds
- » Compound libraries
- » Unpublished scientific results
- » Regulatory data and dossiers
- » Screening technologies
- » Platform technologies
- » Expertise and know-how
- » Patents and patent rights

Knowledge transfer and capacity building

The transfer of knowledge to scientists working on the ground is crucial to addressing NTDs, malaria and tuberculosis.

WIPO Re:Search facilitates 'sabbaticals' for developing country scientists at Members' research facilities. The WIPO Secretariat also organizes IP management training events, primarily aimed at developing country scientists.

The benefits of WIPO Re:Search

The IP, resources and know-how available via WIPO Re:Search accelerate research into NTDs, malaria and tuberculosis, increasing the chances of success and reducing costs.

- » WIPO Re:Search offers Member institutions access to an extensive range of knowledge, compounds, technology and expertise provided by private and public sector Members – saving scientists valuable resources and time.
- » The Partnership Hub, led by BVGH, proactively identifies novel opportunities for collaboration and knowledge-sharing between Members.
- » WIPO Re:Search facilitates access to private-sector compounds and compound libraries, helping to repurpose drugs.
- » The Consortium acts as a gateway to a range of development-related tools, including scientific journals and training in IP management.

Over 50 research collaborations and growing

In April 2014 WIPO Re:Search announced that BVGH had brokered 50 research agreements between consortium Members, a number which continues to grow.

What WIPO Re:Search partners are saying...

“The chance to participate in a sabbatical was an amazing opportunity, one which I will utilize to gain skills and knowledge to fill the gap in product development at my home institution.” – Prof. Wellington Oyibo, University of Lagos, Nigeria

“Building relationships and sharing our capabilities with researchers in Africa is core to our values and desire to develop new products to treat infectious diseases.” – Petra Keil, Novartis, Switzerland

“I’m encouraged by the results of the cathepsin inhibitor screens against malaria and am really pleased to have access to these new compounds through WIPO Re:Search.” – Phil Rosenthal, Univ. of California, San Francisco, USA.