

# H.M. Pharma Consultancy The Knowledge Foundry Company Presentation



### Who We Are

 A service-centered enterprise for the Life Sciences, with three distinct areas of strength:

### SCIENCE

 Firm background in pharmacology, biochemistry and molecular biology including medical genetics

#### PATENTS

All aspects of intellectual property are familiar to us

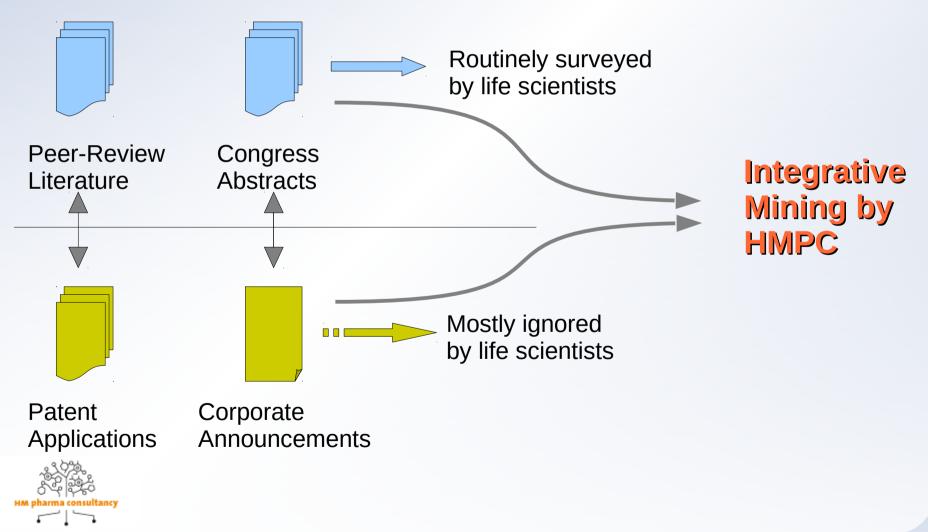
#### CREATIVITY

 We "connect the dots" in science and business where few others see relations – and opportunities



### **Bringing Together What Belongs Together**

 H.M. Pharma Consultancy's integrative approach to knowledge aggregation includes all sources, and treats them equally:



## Collection, Processing and Reporting of Relevant Information

- Information Sources
  - Digital (supplemented by paper):
    - Databases (peer-review literature, intellectual property)
    - Regulatory filings (public parts)
    - News services, press releases
    - Blogs (academic, industry)
  - Networking
    - On the inside track in many respects
- Information pre-processing
  - Software-assisted text mining technologies
  - Knowledge-driven, intuitive/associative structuring
- Synthesis and preparation of report/recommendation

### **How Does HMPC Accomplish This?**

- Structured as a semi-virtual enterprise:
   Minimal physical footprint
  - Headquarters in Vienna, Austria
  - Subsidiary office in Styria (near Austrian-Slovenian border)
  - Network of trusted business partners
- Heavy reliance on information technology and the internet
  - Extensive use of secure knowledge management tools
  - As close to the "paperless office" as common sense permits



### We Will Dig as Deep as You Wish

- Depth of research varies with customer wishes and available time
  - Given reasonable lead time, there are very few public data of relevance that we cannot retrieve
  - However, we can also do really rapid searches if required
- Our proprietary internal databases:
  - Drug development and marketing databases
  - Discontinued Drug and Candidate Database (DDCD)
  - THIRDSPACE (an information retrieval tool for patents from selected therapeutic fields)



## Intellectual Property Services: A Perfect Match With Patent Attorneys

- Surveying markets for patenting opportunities
  - "Is there something emerging from our work that we might want to patent?"
- Freedom-to-operate searches
  - "Can we do this without risking infringement suits?"
- Consistent vigilance within the customer's IP landscape
  - "Is anybody infringing/bypassing our IP?"
    - "Are there opportunities to claim gaps in the IP landscape?"
- Comprehensive assistance with writing patent applications and with drafting replies to patent office actions



### **Integrated Business Development Services**



- Combines all of HMPC's strengths:
  - Internal HMPC databases and analyst resources
  - Interfacing with corporate/academic management
  - Cooperation with experts named by the customer
- Ability to provide clear, well-substantiated advice in business decisions on the strategic or tactical level



### **Drug Development Guidance and Coordination**

- In addition to advising, we also coordinate consultants and CROs from the preclinical stage to clinical Phase II
- Fully integrated with the customer's forward strategy:
  - Patenting
  - Conference presentations
  - Peer review manuscripts
  - Corporate communications
- Particularly attractive option for small and emerging companies



### A Special Focus Area: Drug Repurposing

- Innovative new uses of known approved drugs or drug candidates (as opposed to simple use extensions)
- Can be done with marketed drugs, candidates in clinical development, or with discontinued drugs or candidate molecules
  - Attractive with lower doses and/or new formulations
- "On-target" or "off-target"
- Assistance for the originator, or for third parties
- Attendance to the special requirements of patenting in this field



### Helping You Work With the Regulators

- H.M. Pharma Consultancy is <u>not</u> a regulatory service company, BUT...
  - We do literature assessments in support of preclinical and clinical sections of regulatory dossiers
  - We initiate and support Scientific Advice procedures at the European Medicines Agency
  - We perform statistical analysis based on the raw data files, and make recommendations for going forward
  - We compile clinical overviews to support your case for favorable reimbursement terms with healthcare providers
- Again, this draws on our low-level analysis capabilities



### A European Union Small/Medium Enterprise

- H.M. Pharma Consultancy is registered with the European Union authorities as a SME
- Approved SME status with European Medicines Agency and EU R&D framework programs, annually renewed
- Competent and well-established partner for non-EU SMEs to access EU life science programs, often at reduced fees
- Supporting development efforts tuned specifically towards European patentability
- Place of business in the heart of Europe



## H.M. Pharma Consultancy Can Help You...

- ...If you need analyst assistance with your business plan or an acquisition, based on integrated science and IP assessments...
- ...If you are more concerned with cutting-edge science (and with financing it) than with hands-on planning and organization of formal preclinical studies or early clinical trials...
- ...If you feel that your existing patent portfolio needs more proactive strategic attention...
- …If you want to repurpose a known drug or drug candidate
- ...If you need to get reimbursement clearance in European countries\*) for your recently EMA-approved drug
- ...If you need to take your corporate message to industry analysts



<sup>\*)</sup> Service available only in selected markets at this time

### **Beyond Commerce – Riding the R&D Wave**

- Publishing of our own data and insights in peer reviewed scientific journals
- Editorial board memberships and editorships at PubMedlisted journals
- Supporting Open Data and Open Science wherever there is justified public interest
- We support open data formats and archiving policies to avoid digital obsolescence



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