

Tech transfer revs up

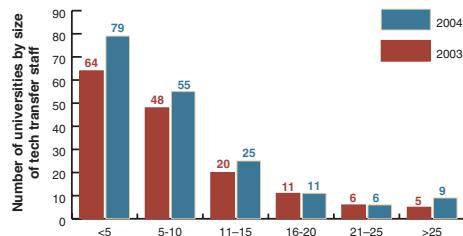
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New company formation (about half of which is biotech) from US research institutions was way up in 2004 (up to >460). In 2003, biotech startup growth in US and Europe slowed, with Denmark and Ireland showing highest relative rates of venture formation. In FY2004, US patent

applications also jumped (although this may be due partly to improved reporting procedures); almost one-quarter were utility patents (most biotech patents are utility patents). Only about half of US research institutions reported equity stakes in startups (down from ~70% in 2003).

Tech transfer staffing at US universities

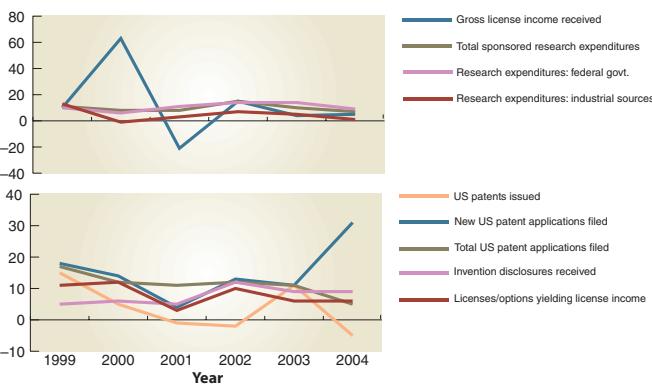
More universities are dedicating staff to tech transfer and existing staff size is increasing.



Source: Association of University Technology Managers

Change in US university tech transfer indicators

Research expenditures were all down in 2004, but aggregate patent applications are up



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Tech transfer at top US research institutions in 2004

Institution name	Research (\$ millions) ^a	License (\$ millions) ^b	Inventions ^c	Patents filed ^d	Executed licenses ^e	Paying licenses ^f	>\$1 million licenses ^g	Patents issued ^h	Companies formed	Companies operational
Universities										
Univ. of California System ⁱ	2792	79	1,196	965	273	906	15	270	5	206
Johns Hopkins Univ. ⁱ	1595	7	367	586	100	197	0	89	5	45
Massachusetts Inst. of Technology (MIT)	1027	30	515	436	134	410	4	159	20	157
Univ. of Washington/Wash. Research Fdn. ⁱ	834	25	233	133	70	322	5	38	7	N/A
Univ. of Illinois, Chicago, Urbana ⁱ	814	6	262	196	88	164	1	59	16	52
Univ. of Wisconsin at Madison ⁱ	764	48	405	217	203	261	8	93	2	30
Univ. of Michigan ⁱ	753	12	285	204	73	172	3	74	13	76
SUNY Research Fdn. ⁱ	710	13	257	172	50	157	1	43	7	43
Stanford Univ. ⁱ	694	50	350	277	89	474	6	87	9	99
Univ. of Pennsylvania ⁱ	654	9	392	287	87	54	1	45	6	43
Hospitals and research institutes										
The General Hospital dba Massachusetts General Hospital	463	63	245	288	75	144	5	73	3	39
Mayo Fdn. for Medical Education and Research	372	22	310	147	97	268	3	28	3	11
Brigham & Women's Hospital	363	8	104	98	40	76	1	37	5	17
M.D. Anderson Cancer Ctr.	314	5	115	46	33	41	1	19	2	11
Sloan Kettering Inst. for Cancer Res.	239	76	47	75	28	70	4	22	4	9
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Res. Ctr.	222	3	14	17	11	72	0	2	0	8
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Ctr.	182	3	72	84	20	51	0	21	1	17
Dana-Farber Cancer Inst.	170	4	66	61	34	135	1	15	2	7
Children's Hospital, Cincinnati	150	3	32	51	17	23	1	6	3	3
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital	142	1	35	24	28	106	0	5	0	0

^aTotal sponsored research expenditures. ^bAdjusted gross license income. ^cInvention disclosures received. ^dUS patent applications filed. ^eLicenses & options executed. ^fLicenses & options yielding income. ^gActive licenses generating >\$1 million. ^hUS patents issued. ⁱMedical school at the university. Source: Association of University Technology Managers

US research institution income and licenses

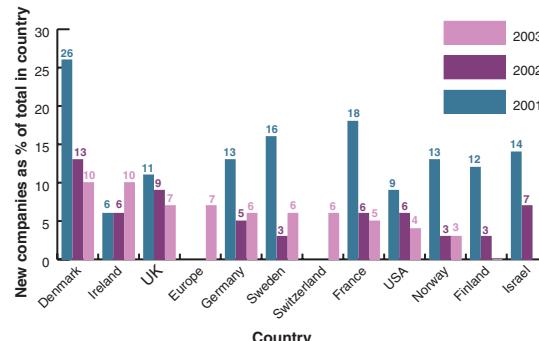
License income continues to grow at a steady rate, as does the number of lucrative licenses



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New biotech company formation in Europe/US

New company formation in 2003 continued to be slow, although startup activity in Ireland was buoyant



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