



Company Overview

Merck & Co., Inc., Whitehouse Station, NJ, USA, is an innovative, global health care leader that is committed to improving health and well-being around the world. Merck discovers, develops, manufactures, and markets vaccines, medicines, and consumer and animal health products designed to help save and improve lives.

The recent merger of Merck and Schering-Plough greatly expands our combined company's product offerings in a range of areas, including heart and respiratory health, infectious diseases, and women's health. We continue to focus our research on conditions that affect millions of people around the world — diseases such as Alzheimer's, diabetes, and cancer — while expanding our strengths in areas like vaccines and biologics.

Merck invests heavily in research and development. Our strategy for growth is based on breakthrough research — both internal and external through partnerships — and demonstrating the value of our medicines to patients, payers, and providers.

At today's Merck, we're applying our global reach, financial strength and scientific excellence to do more of what we're passionate about: improving health and improving lives.

Embracing Partnerships

Merck is strongly committed to partnership success. For all the original research we conduct, we know that the next great discovery in medicine may well come from outside of our laboratories. This is why the formation of strategic partnerships is a central part of our business and research strategy.

Merck has hundreds of successful collaborations with companies, institutions, academics, and other organizations around the world. In fact, 65% of Merck's 2008 human health sales were attributable to these alliance products and patents — including some of our biggest blockbusters. In 2009, a year when Merck completed the largest transaction in the Company's history through our merger with Schering-Plough, our number of significant deals still increased over the previous year's total.

We welcome partnerships in an expanded range of therapeutic areas that address unmet needs for patients, as well as technologies that will enhance the productivity of our research laboratories. A team of seasoned researchers and proven business leaders guide our licensing group as we pursue each new potential breakthrough with scientific rigor and an entrepreneurial spirit.

Understanding the science behind your innovation is one of Merck's core capabilities. From basic research through Phase III, IV, and beyond, when you partner with us, you will have world-class research, development and regulatory, manufacturing, marketing, and sales resources to ensure commercial success for your discovery. At Merck, we embrace partnerships, and by that we mean we are dedicated to combining our strengths with yours, and sharing our successes together.

Contact Information

To begin a discussion about partnering with Merck, please contact Chief Licensing Officer, Merck & Co., Inc., One Merck Drive, PO Box 100, Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889 USA; Tel: (908) 423-4350; Fax: (908) 735-1201. Please provide a brief, non-confidential overview of your discovery with sufficient data to allow a preliminary scientific review. For further information, please visit our Web site at <http://www.merck.com/licensing/>