# Technology Commercialization: A Strategic Analysis

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- Background
- Organization Models
- Interface with Government
- Interface with Industry
- Interface with Venture Capital
- USC Experiences

Background

- Process has grown competitive
- Need to integrate Internally & Externally
- Need to be comprehensive
- Need to reach National & International partnerships Collaboration

- BackgroundCollaboration
- Teams are stronger
- Mapping of Opportunities
- Analysis of Regional Development
- Funding Opportunities



- BackgroundCollaboration
- MultidisciplinaryModel
- Institutional Support



- BackgroundCollaboration
- Alliances take time and effort to materialize
- Functional Projects must emerge



- BackgroundCollaboration
- Participation of Legal and Research leaders is a requirement



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- Centralized Traditional Model
  - Easier to manage
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  - Lacks comprehensive approach

- Distributed Model (Singapore)
  - More complex to manage
  - Able to focus in large institutions
  - Able to provide close support
  - Comprehensive approach

Interface with Government

Federal Government

State Government

City Government

Interface with Industry

Education Joint Programs

- Research Joint Programs
- Business Joint Ventures

- Interface with Venture Capital
- Definition of Research and Development Areas
- Review of Immediate Opportunities
- Regional Development
- Alliances

USC Experiences

• Keck School of Medicine (KSOM)

• Integrated Media Center

Pixar-Disney Venture

USC Experiences
 Keck School of Medicine (KSOM)

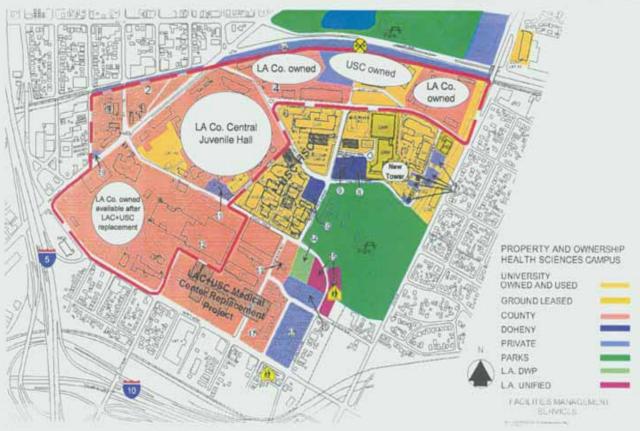
- Technology Transfer Sequence
- Biotech Park
- Hospital of the Future

#### TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROCESS

#### PILOT OUTLINE

- Initial evaluation
  - scientific value
  - commercial value
  - intellectual property
- Protection of IP
  - Publications
  - Preliminary filing
- Preparation of Pre project
  - Search of Prior Art
  - Identification of Potential Industrial Partners
- Second evaluation
  - Feasibility of patent
  - Interest of Industry
    - Meet requirements
    - Develop interest and requirements
- Critical Decision
  - File patent
  - Develop business plan
  - Start Joint Venture Development
- Business Development
  - Corporate Negotiations
    - Structure
    - Equity
  - Financial Negotiations
  - IP Negotiations
- Business Startup
  - Management
  - Marketing
  - Alliances
  - Production
- Business Consolidation
  - IPO
  - Long term revenue





integrated avionics systems enabled the development of "automatic pilots" and "pilot's associates" systems, integrated OEF component systems will enable the development of advanced clinical associate systems.

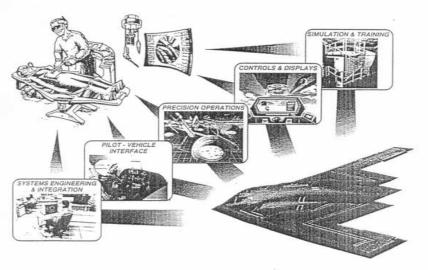


Figure 1-1. Technical Synergy — Pilot to Surgeon

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ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND DESIGN CENTER

- Teleoperation with programmable surgical robots
- Real-time operator-driven surgical manipulators for telepresence and medical training.

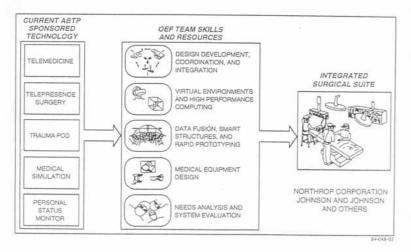


Figure 2-1. A Systems Integrated Vision of the Advanced Biomedical Technology Program

A primary focus of this program is on simulation of the entire operating environment, including embedded intelligent tutoring. Recent examples of medical simulators include an anesthesia simulator, an endosurgery simulator, and a physical rehabilitation simulator. Simulators have used virtual, computer and mechanical approaches with varying degrees of realism, including real time 3-D visual and tactile feedback. Simulators can be used for surgeon training and certification, procedure rehearsal, and rapid prototyping to speed the development cycle of new products.

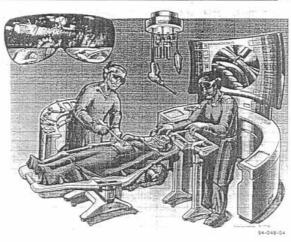


Figure 3-1. Operating Environment of the Future

- · Wireless adaptors to retrofit existing medical equipment
- · An intuitive display system
- · A central data fusion computer with intercom for voice command
- Surgical simulator to optimize system specifications and to provide training for users
- · A virtual environment simulation to optimize component integration.

Northrop and Johnson and Johnson will develop the intelligent tutoring system, which, when connected to Johnson and Johnson's surgical simulator, will create the intelligent virtual reality patient. These components will be capable of interfacing to remote surgical manipulators, personnel status monitors and other advanced technology medical devices to perform real or simulated surgical tasks, surgeon training, and surgical procedure development. In addition, the

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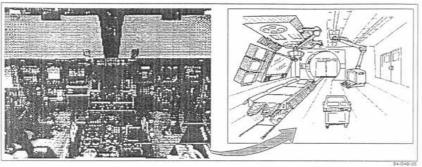


Figure 4-1. The Modern Aircraft Cockpit as a Model for the Operating Environment of the Future

However, Northrop experience has shown that this is not a task that can be delayed under future development stages. In fact, the systems engineering/systems integration function is an integral part of this initial OEF phase. The ability to define and manage the requirements, perform the technology investigations and evaluations and select the optimal mix of new and current technologies is an up-front task. Northrop performs the requirements management task by defining the requirements as determined by the customer, decomposing them to the required product development team so that they are evaluated in an efficient manner. Once the requirements are translated into functional (and systems) requirements, they are translated back to the customer requirements level to determine if they meet the customer needs. The technologies to meet those needs are assessed against cost, performance and risk factors to ensure that all aspects and unknowns are identified early in the development. Johnson and Johnson's advisory board of surgeons and representatives from the 15 university medical schools will determine and evaluate the performance level and customer satisfaction with all aspects of the OEF system. This approach translates a program which may contain many (and sometimes unidentified) risks into a program in which risks are managed as an integral part of the product development. It also

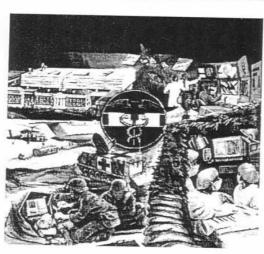


Proposal for

#### **Medical Federated Laboratory**

Technical Element:

Telecommunications and Information Distribution for Telemedicine



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#### MedC3 Consortium

Los Angeles County/University of Southern California Medical Center University of Southern California TRW
Charles B. Drew University of Medicine and Control

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## USC IMSC

# MANAGEMENT IN THE UNIVERSITY ENVIRONMENT: THE IMSC EXPERIENCE

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#### Integrated Media Systems Center

#### **NSF Engineering Research Center:**

a partnership in pursuit of *research and innovation* in multimedia and immersive technologies and their applications

#### 28 Investigators and 260 students in partnership with:

National Science Foundation

University of Southern California

Viterbi School of Engineering

Ranked 8th in US, \$115M/yr in grant funding

**Annenberg Center for Communication** 

#### Commercial Partners

Computer Hardware and Software

Aircraft, Aerospace, Defense

Petroleum, Oil, Gas

**Telecommunications** 

**Entertainment** 

#### Other Government Agencies

DARPA, NASA, JPL, NIMA, ONR, U.S. Army





**IMSC** Headquarters

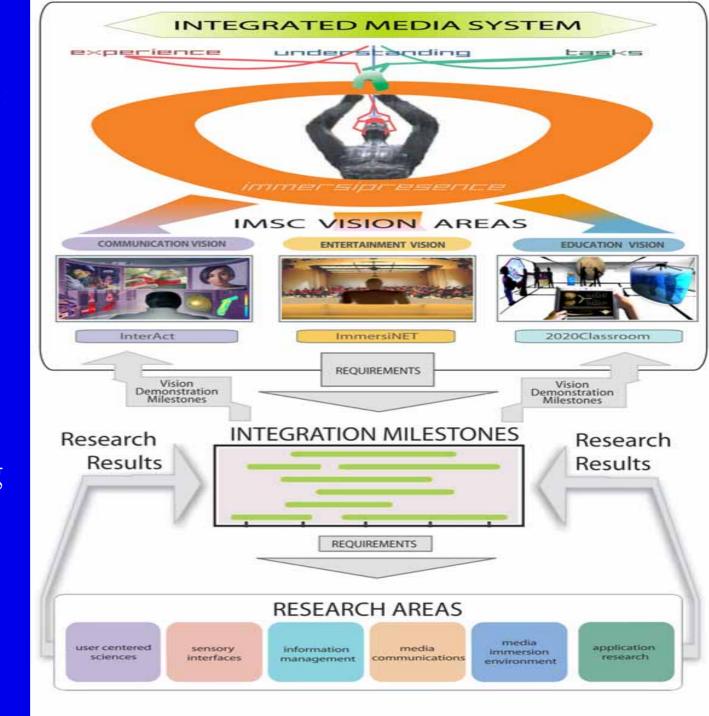
#### Education



- 209 students graduated with IMSC providing funding, classes, and research aspects of their education experience
  - 112 with PhD, 82 with MS, and 15 with BS
- IMSC created six academic programs
  - 3 MS programs with 454 students enrolled (152 graduates)
  - 2 UG minor programs with 76 students enrolled (121 graduates)
  - BSEE (IMS) enrollment starts F03
- IMSC gave UG research fellowships to 44 students
- Created 23 new courses for IMSC and SoE programs
  - Human Factors in Integrated Media Systems
  - Integrated Media Systems SAI project course
  - Engineering Approaches to Music Perception and Cognition
  - Intro to Art and Technology SoE/FA course

#### Strategic Plan

- DrivingApplicationResearchProjects
- Engineering and Integration
- BasicResearch



#### Research Highlights

IMSC has produced ground breaking results and fundamental research in:



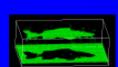
#### immersive audio

• multichannel and HRTF approaches - holistic DSP approach



#### streaming servers and multimedia databases

distributed and scalable streaming architecture, immersidata analysis and query



#### computer vision

 computational framework for grouping based on tensor voting, tracking for augmented realities and SFX



#### graphics & animation

 3D DSP mesh processing, compression, mesh operations, hair modeling and animation



#### multimodal emotive, 3D interfaces

 Speech and dialog, vision sensing of body and hands, facial expressions analysis and expressive avatars



#### virtual reality and simulations

• applications to psychology (ADD diagnosis), and user studies

#### IMSC Research Program

user-centered SCIENCES

sensory intercaces

incormation management

media communications

media immersion environment (systems architecture) application projects

**Architecture for** 

research

# Enabling the Vision: Application Research Projects

#### **ImmersiNet** – *Entertainment*

Prof. Alexander Sawchuk (EE)
Prof. Roger Zimmermann (CS)



Prof. Shri Narayanan (EE)
Prof. Isaac Cohen (CS)

**2020Classroom** – Education

Prof. Cyrus Shahabi (CS)
Prof. Chris Kyriakakis (EE)













2020Classic
The future of immersive technologies as

applied to learning, encompassing:

- Software and hardware architecture for distributed learning
- Investigate innovative methods for student/teacher interaction with the curriculum
- Dynamic curriculum content, specifically designed for this unique immersive platform
- Development and assessment of high fidelity presence in learning
- Our two testbed sites are used to study the requirements for interface design, computational complexity, visual and aural fidelity, network performance, and data acquisition of presence for learning applications







#### InterAct: Communications and

- Media-rich integration of sensors modes to support human tasks and communication
  - Multimodal interfaces speech synthesis and recognition, vision tracking and interpretation of human behavior, facial gesture analysis and avatar rendering, haptics, ...
  - Tele-immersion Hi-fidelity low-latency robust communication over IP networks, graceful incorporation of PDA or low-BW
  - 3D/4D visualization and modeling of time-varying surfaces, volumes, and imagery
  - Data fusion 3D models and video streams and sensor data
  - Data streaming, synchronization, analysis, and query



## ImmersiNet: P2P Streaming Media over IP Networks

- A fusion of internet browsing with a theater-like immersive experience
  - HD Video at up to 45 Mbits/sec
  - 10.2 channel Immersive audio (12 Mbits/sec)
- Steaming on-demand over the Internet

Streaming media servers and recorders



Immersive audio capture and rendering



Protocols for error management



Synchronization



Recent accomplishments:

Bing Theater I2 Conf



Live Duet



HD video NWS



#### **Applications**



Immersed in a college football game



Doctors assisting in a remote procedure



Business people negotiating like they are in the same room



Students visiting an aquarium a thousand miles away

**IMSC Industrial Members and** Collaborators **Japan** 

**NCR** 

OH

**EverFocus Taiwan** ш **ITRI Microsoft** 

**KDDI** 

**Olympus** 

Intel

**Eastman Kodak** 

**BTG** 

**NVIS** 

See California Map

Collaborations with **Government Agencies** and Foundations:

**US Army** DARPA, ONR NASA, NIMA **Toyota Foundation** 

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## IMSC Industrial Members and Collaborators

#### Silicon Valley

- ConceptLabs
- •F-X Palo Alto Laboratory
- Hewlett-Packard
- IBM
- Lockheed Martin
- ChevronTexaco



- Pixar- Disney Example
- Artistic Content Technology Collaboration
- Concept Correct
- Business Approach Correct
- Product Successful
- Alliance Failed

- CONCLUSIONS
- Focused Support Distributed Organization

IP

Start Ups

- Government Support
- Industry Support
- Venture Capital Support

