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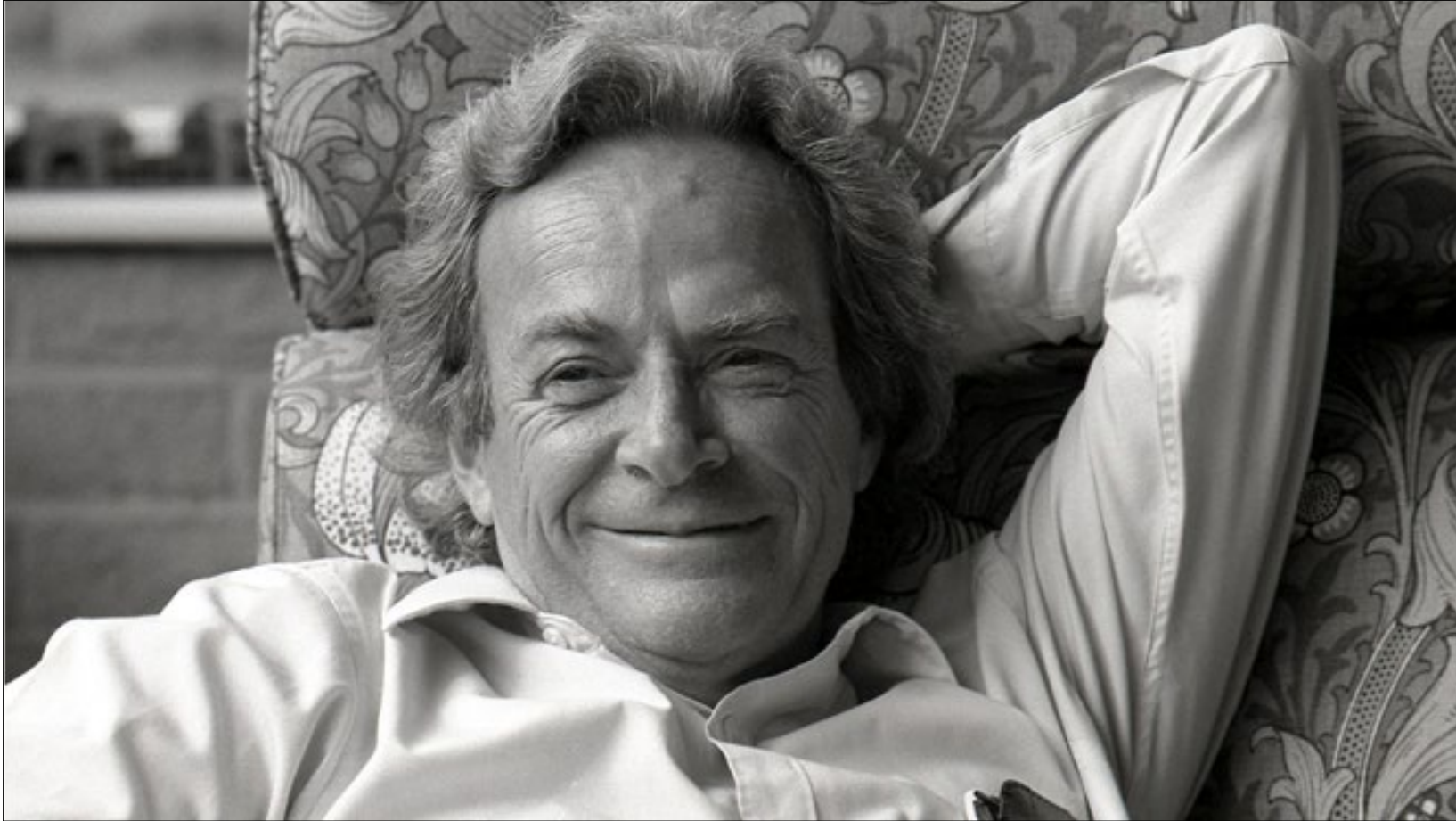
Introduction to technology transfer

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The image shows a browser window displaying the Wikipedia article for "Blue skies research". The browser's address bar shows the URL "en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blue_skies_research". The page header includes the Wikipedia logo, the text "WIKIPEDIA The Free Encyclopedia", and navigation links such as "Main page", "Contents", "Featured content", "Current events", "Random article", "Donate to Wikipedia", and "Wikipedia store". The article title "Blue skies research" is prominently displayed, followed by the subtitle "From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia". The main text of the article begins with: "Blue skies research (also called blue sky science) is scientific research in domains where 'real-world' applications are not immediately apparent. It has been defined as 'research without a clear goal'^[1] and 'curiosity-driven science'. It is sometimes used interchangeably with the term 'basic research'.^[2] Proponents of this mode of science argue that unanticipated scientific breakthroughs are sometimes more valuable than the outcomes of agenda-driven research, heralding advances in genetics and stem cell biology as examples of unforeseen benefits of research that was originally seen as purely theoretical in scope. Because of the inherently uncertain return on investment, blue-sky projects are politically and commercially unpopular and tend to lose funding to more reliably profitable or practical research.^[3]" Below the text, there is a "Contents" section with a link to "1 History".

...application is not a motivation for researchers, but is among the consequences



Richard Feynman
Nobel Prize in Physics 1965

“Physics is like sex:
sure, it may give some
practical results,
but that’s not why we do it.”

Johann Carl Friedrich Gauss (1777 – 1855) has been a German mathematician, astronomist and physicist that gave fundamental contribution to manifold fields of science.





the problem

the solution

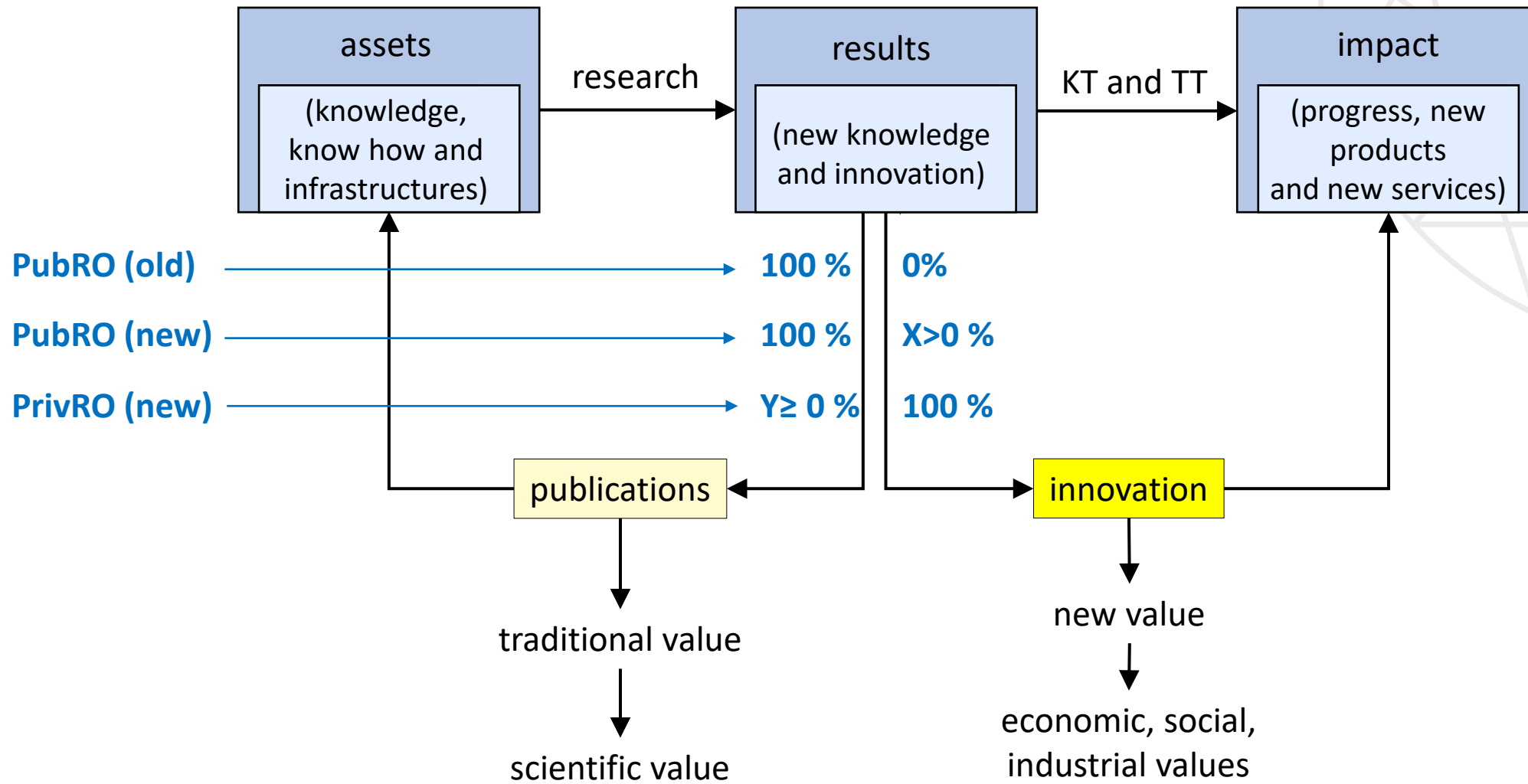
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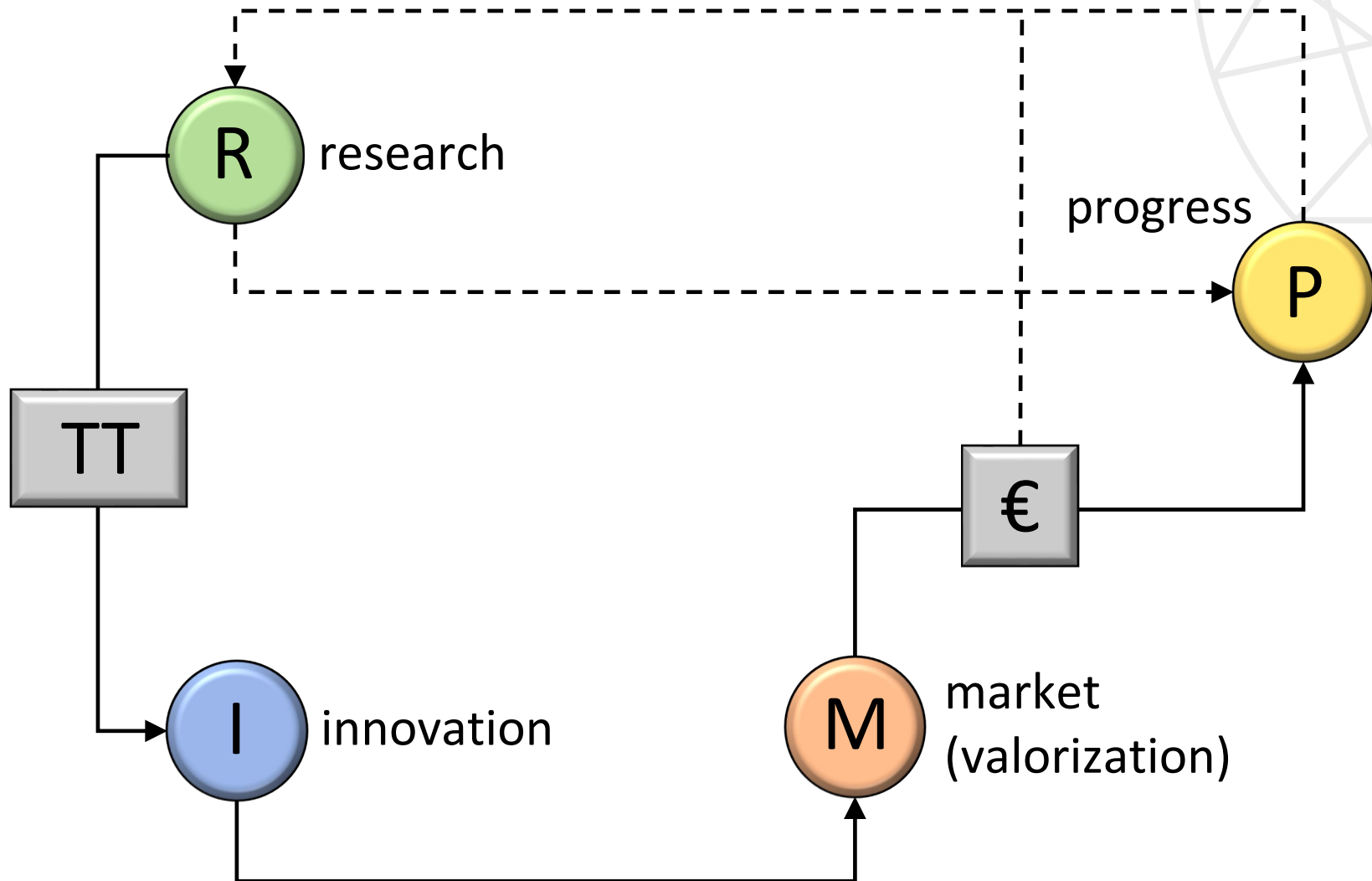
new method or new problem?

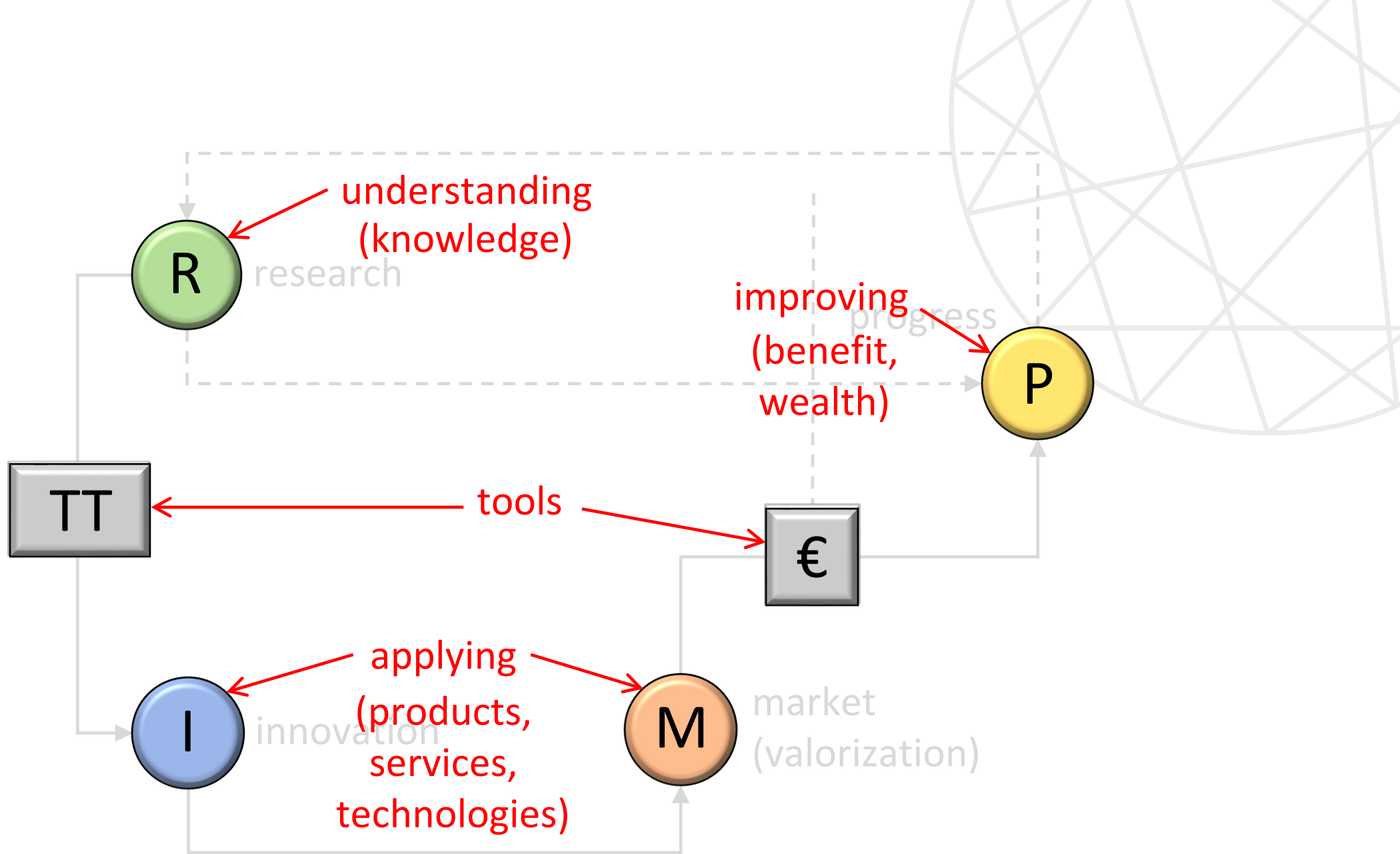
the generalisation – new knowledge

$$\sum_{n=1}^i n = \frac{(i+1) \times i}{2}$$

$$\sum_{n=a}^b n = (a+b) \times (b-a+1)/2$$







Role of TT

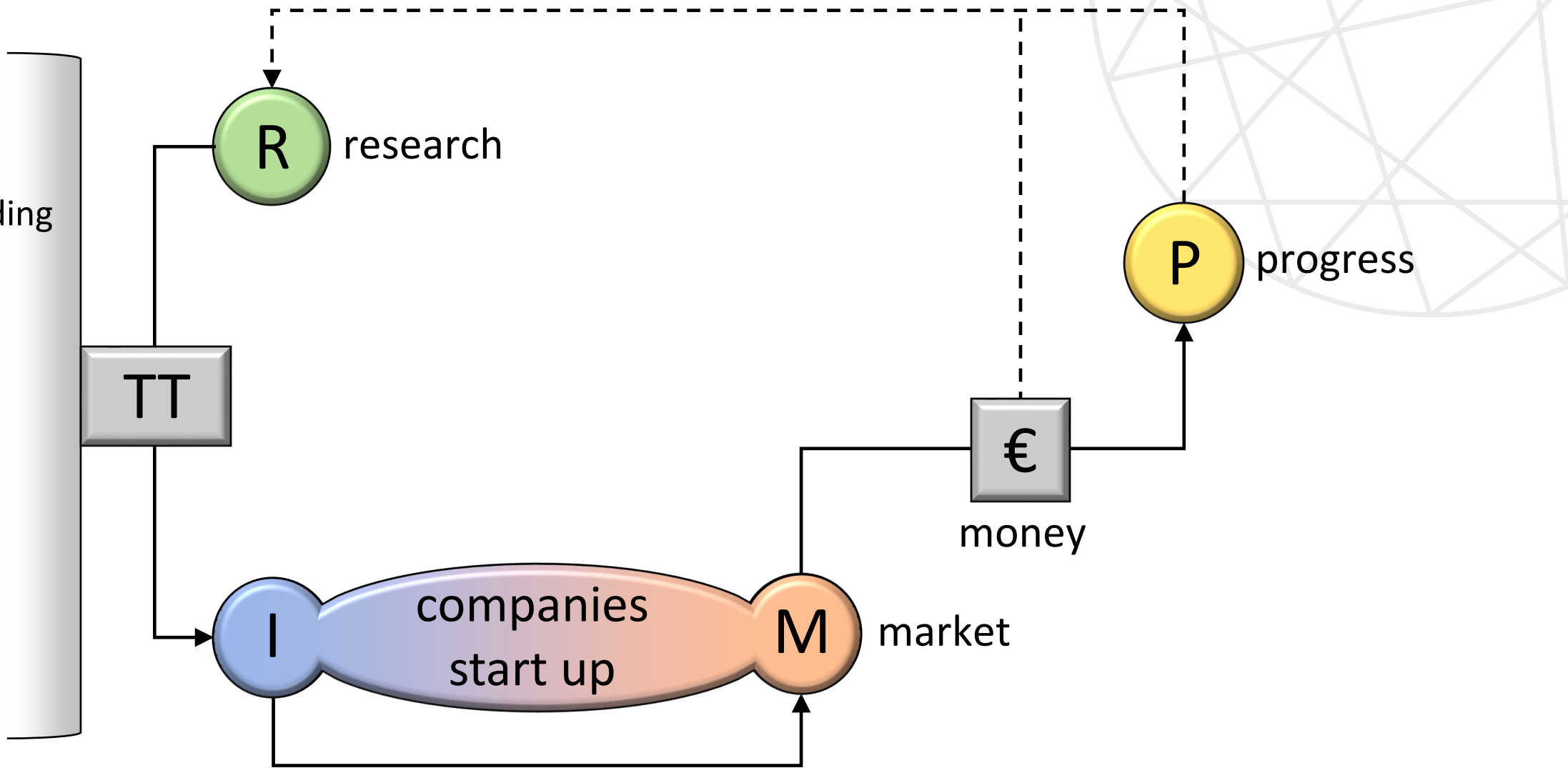
- 1) understanding
- 2) selecting
- 3) addressing

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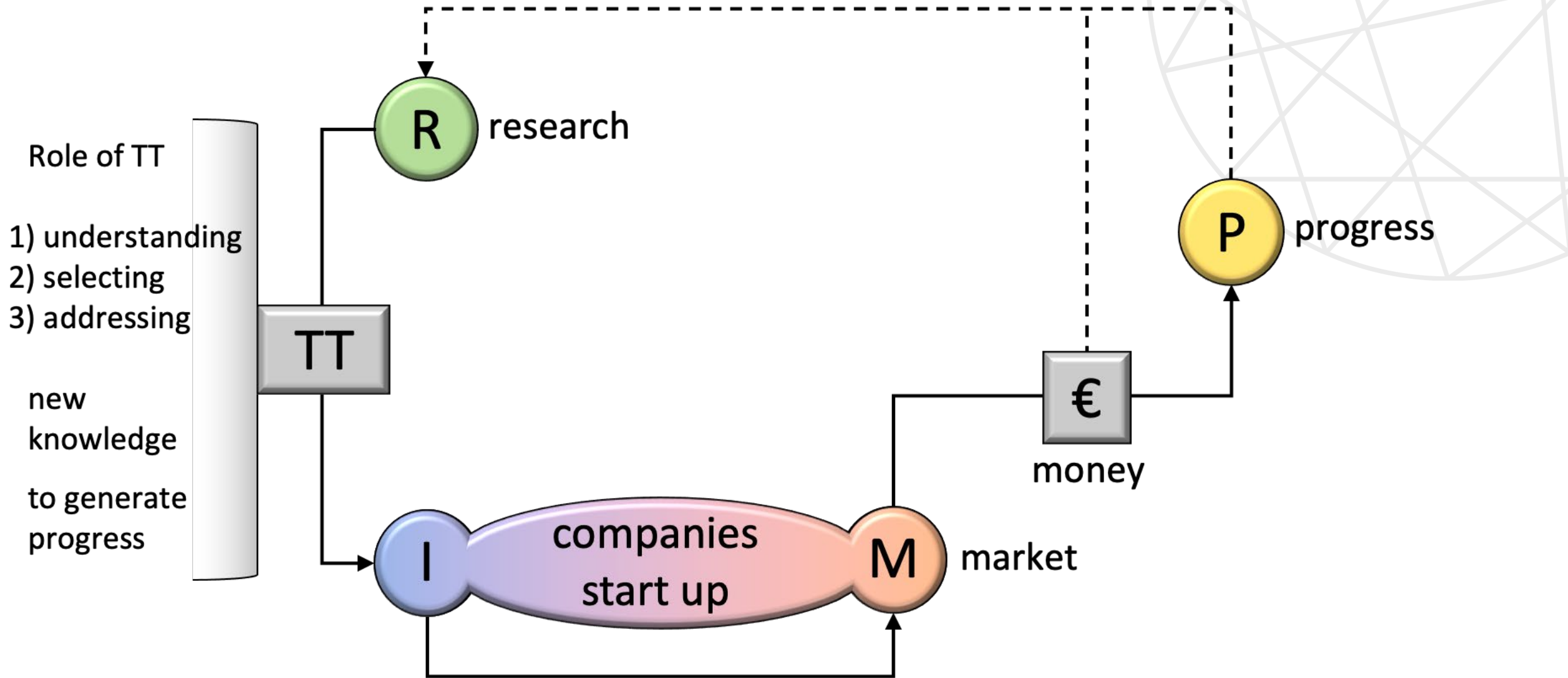
new knowledge

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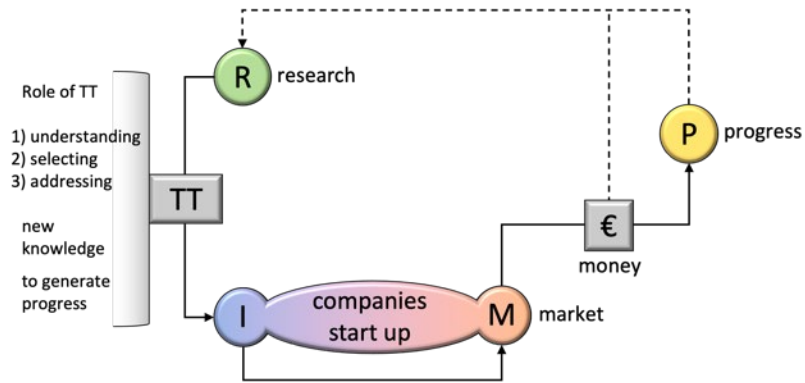
to generate progress



Old paradigm → Technology Transfer



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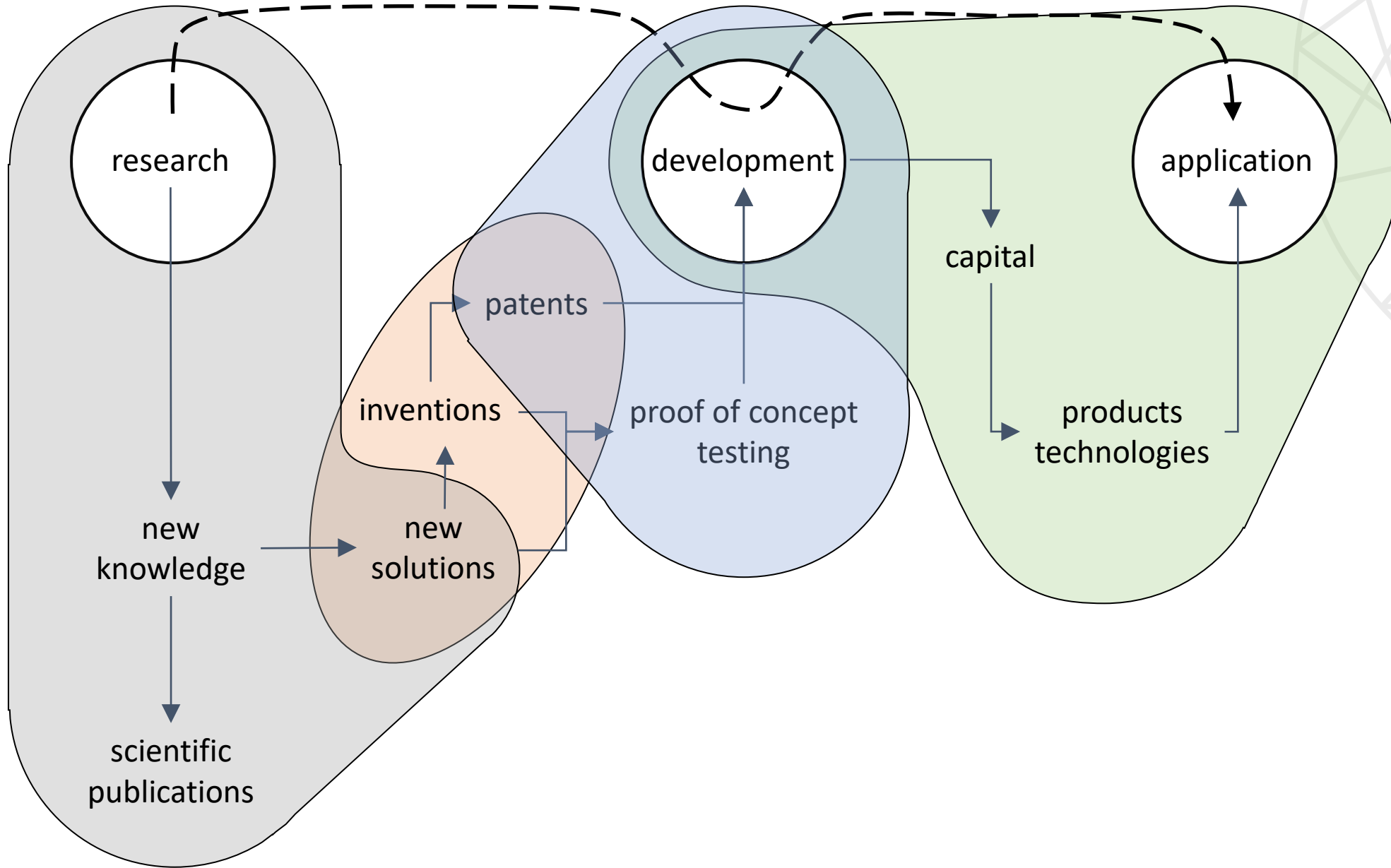
Knowledge Transfer

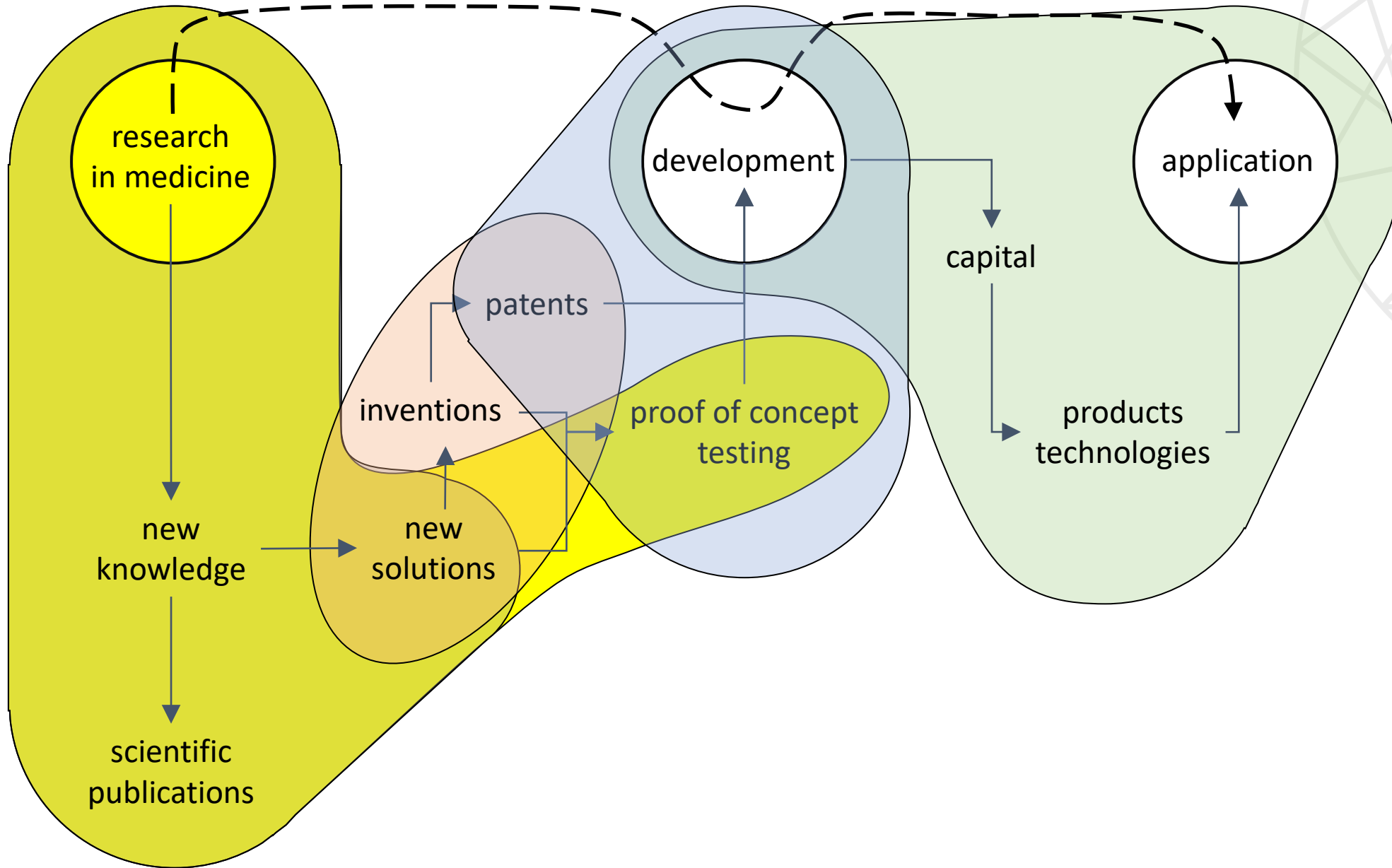
Knowledge Exchange

Cooperation among actors (researchers, students, institutions, companies) to generate the impact of research results in society.

Knowledge Transformations

Combinations of different research results to generate impact addressing innovation to solve complex problems. The knowledge transformation is a development activity which generates value both from research results and know how.





1. Medical technology



14 295
+2.6% ↗

2. Digital communication



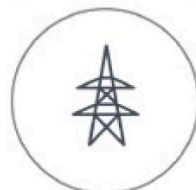
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3. Computer technology



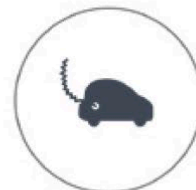
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4. Electrical machinery, apparatus, energy



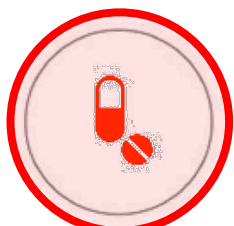
11 346
+0.4% ↗

5. Transport



9 020
-5.5% ↘

6. Pharmaceuticals



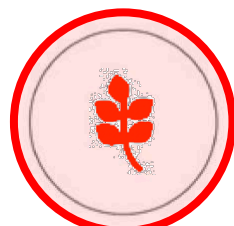
8 589
+10.2% ↗

7. Measurement



8 582
-5.2% ↘

8. Biotechnology



7 246
+6.3% ↗

9. Other special machines



6 261
-2.5% ↘

10. Organic fine chemistry



5 905
-1.5% ↘



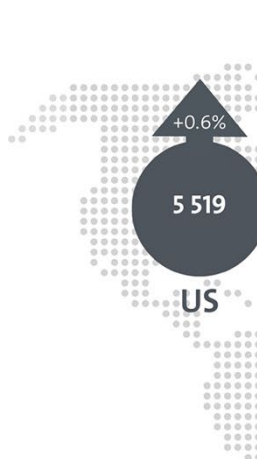
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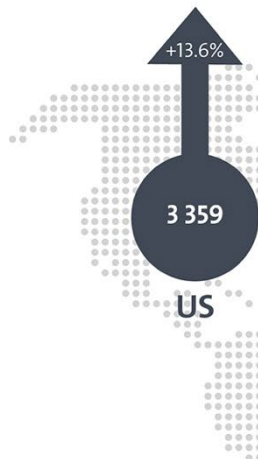
Countries of orig
applications



2020 Pharma over 10%

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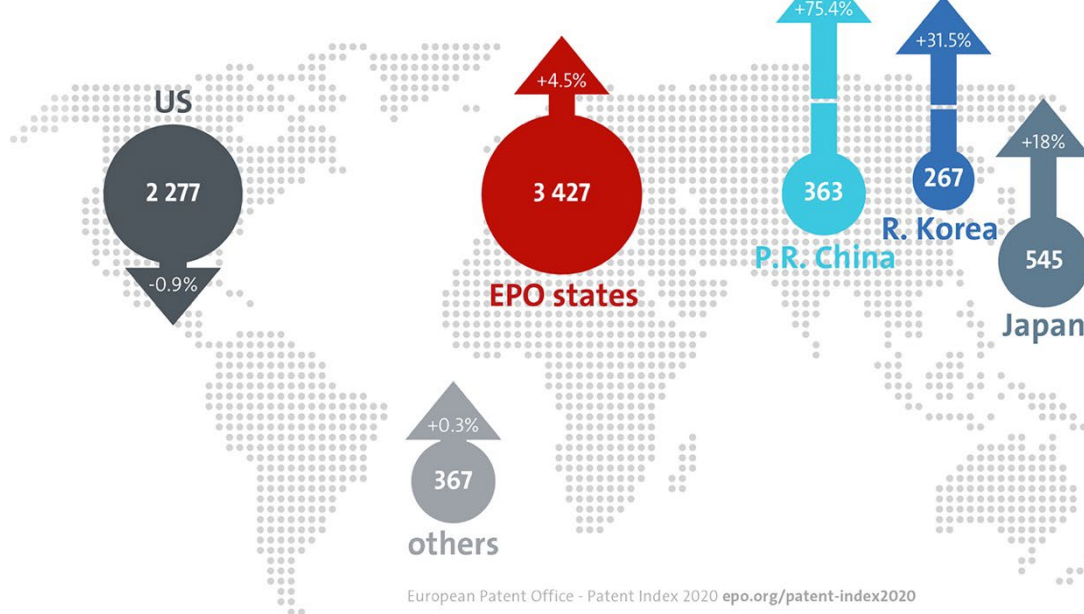
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2020 Biotechnology filings up over 6%

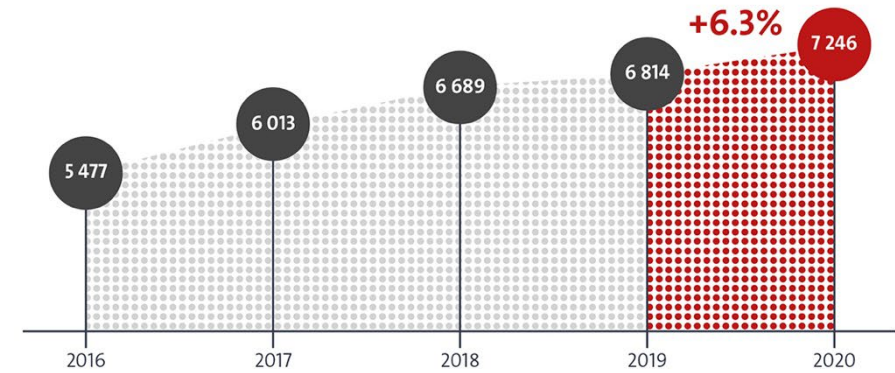
Boom in filings from companies
in Germany, Switzerland, UK
and Asia

Countries of origin for European patent
applications

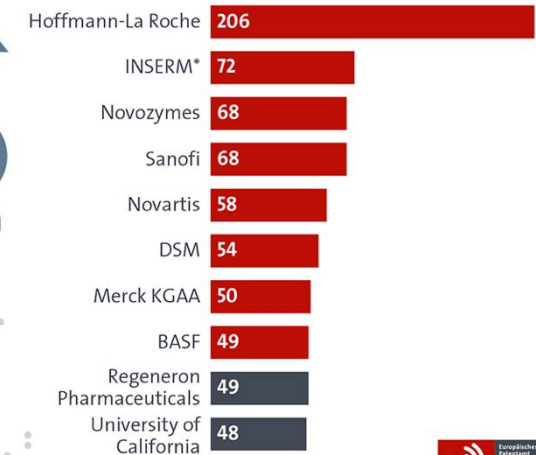


European Patent Office - Patent Index 2020 epo.org/patent-index2020

Total European patent applications in biotechnology



Top applicants 2020

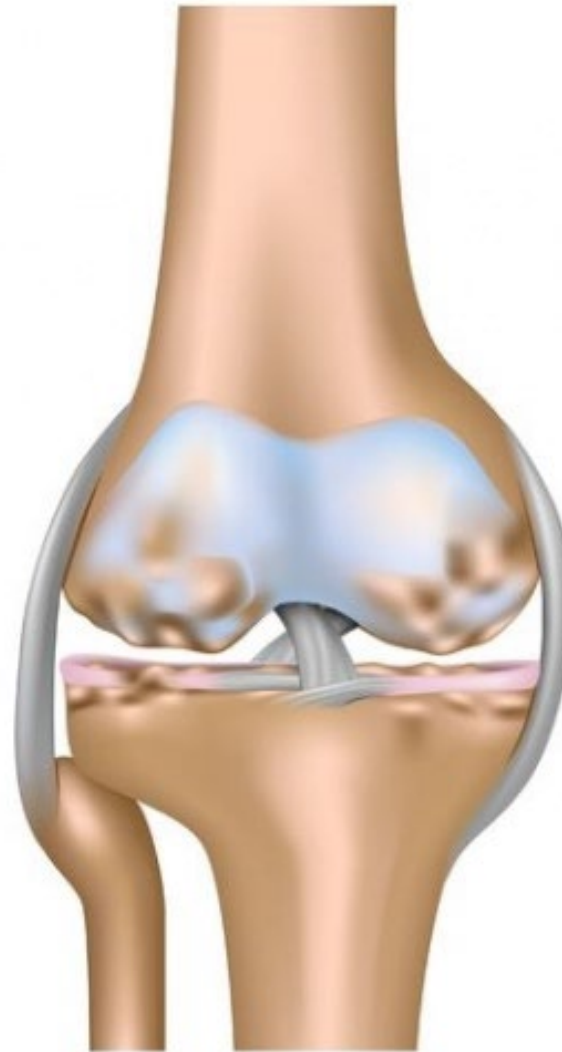


* Institut national de la santé et de la recherche médicale





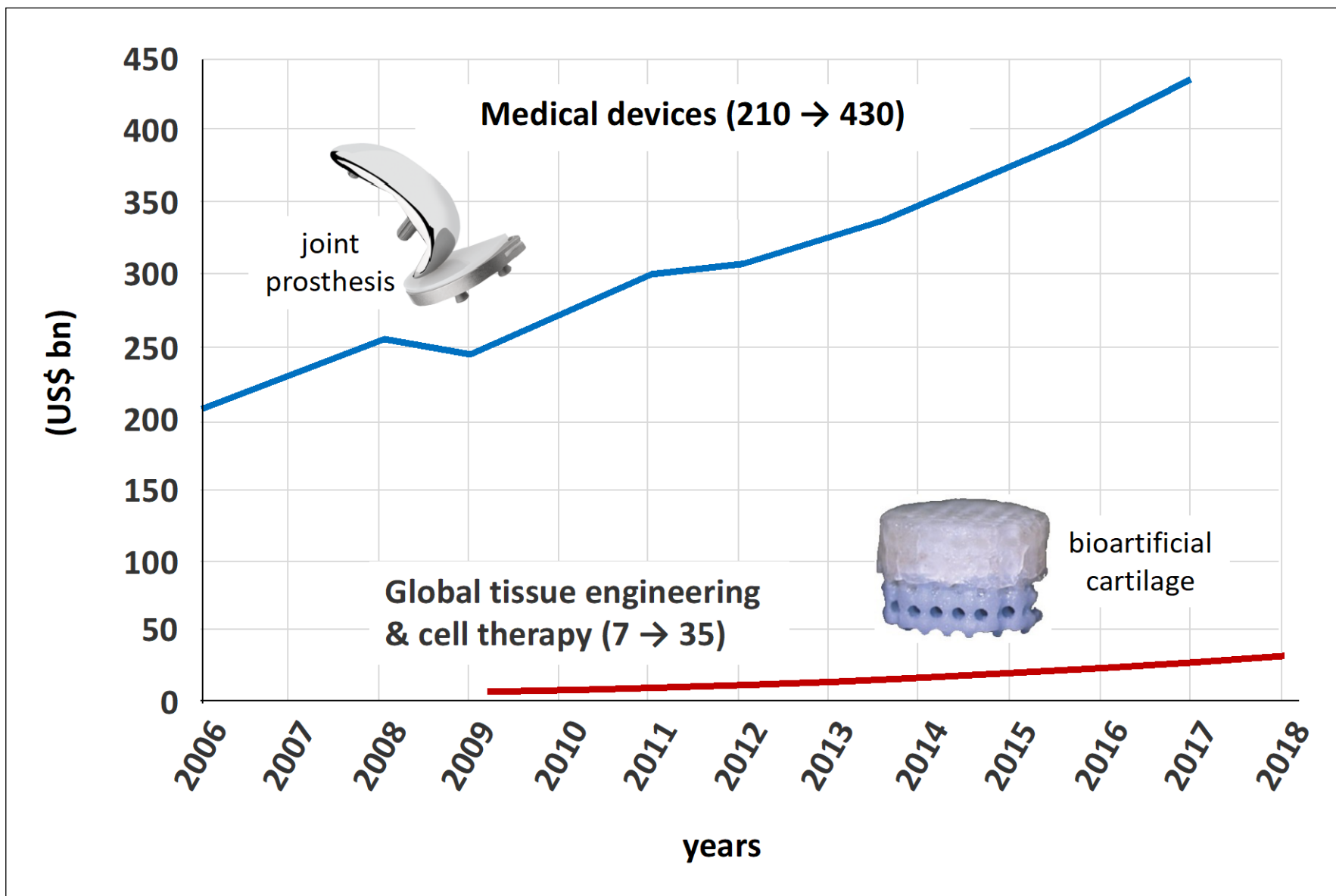
joint prosthesis
standard technology



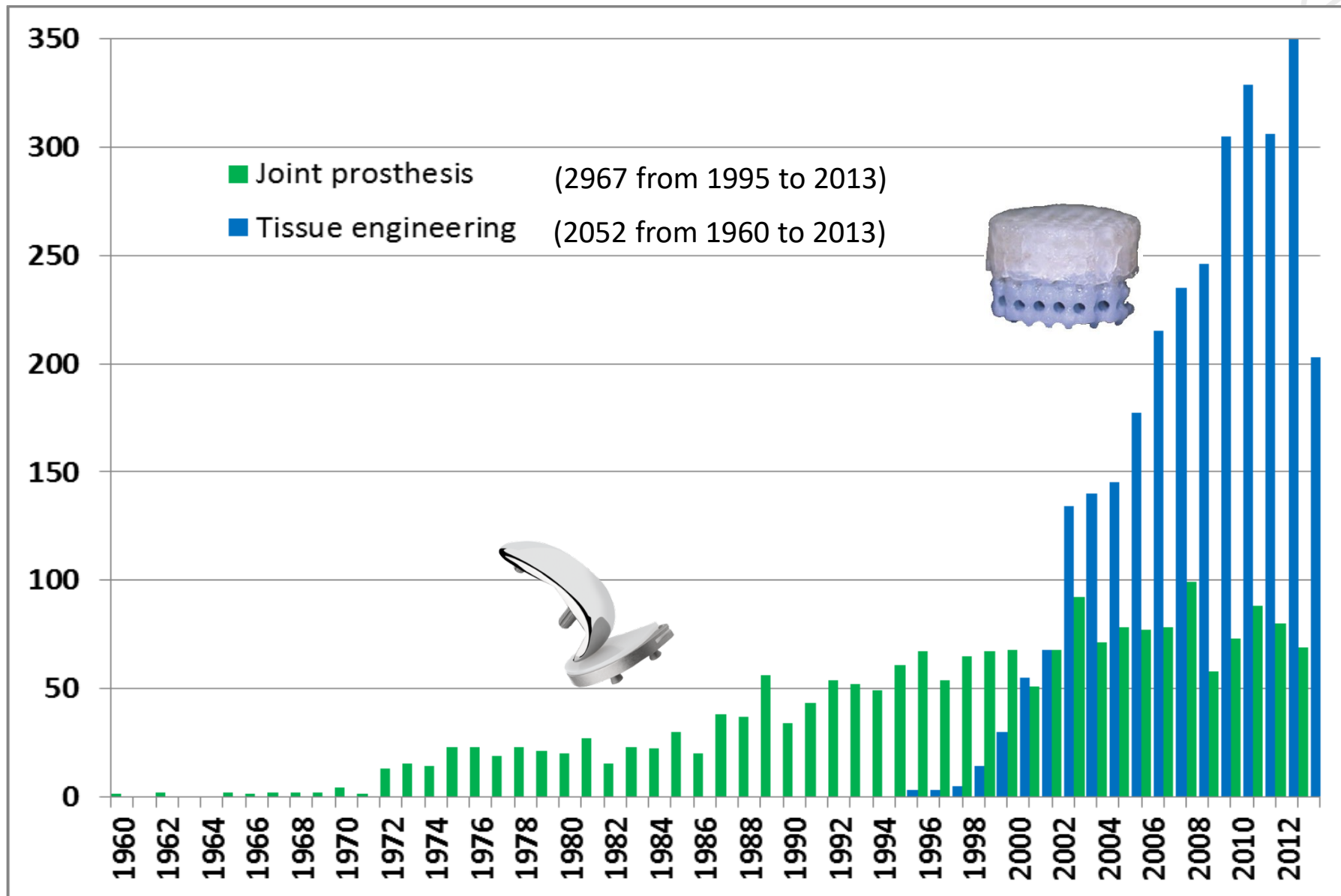
osteoarthritic knee



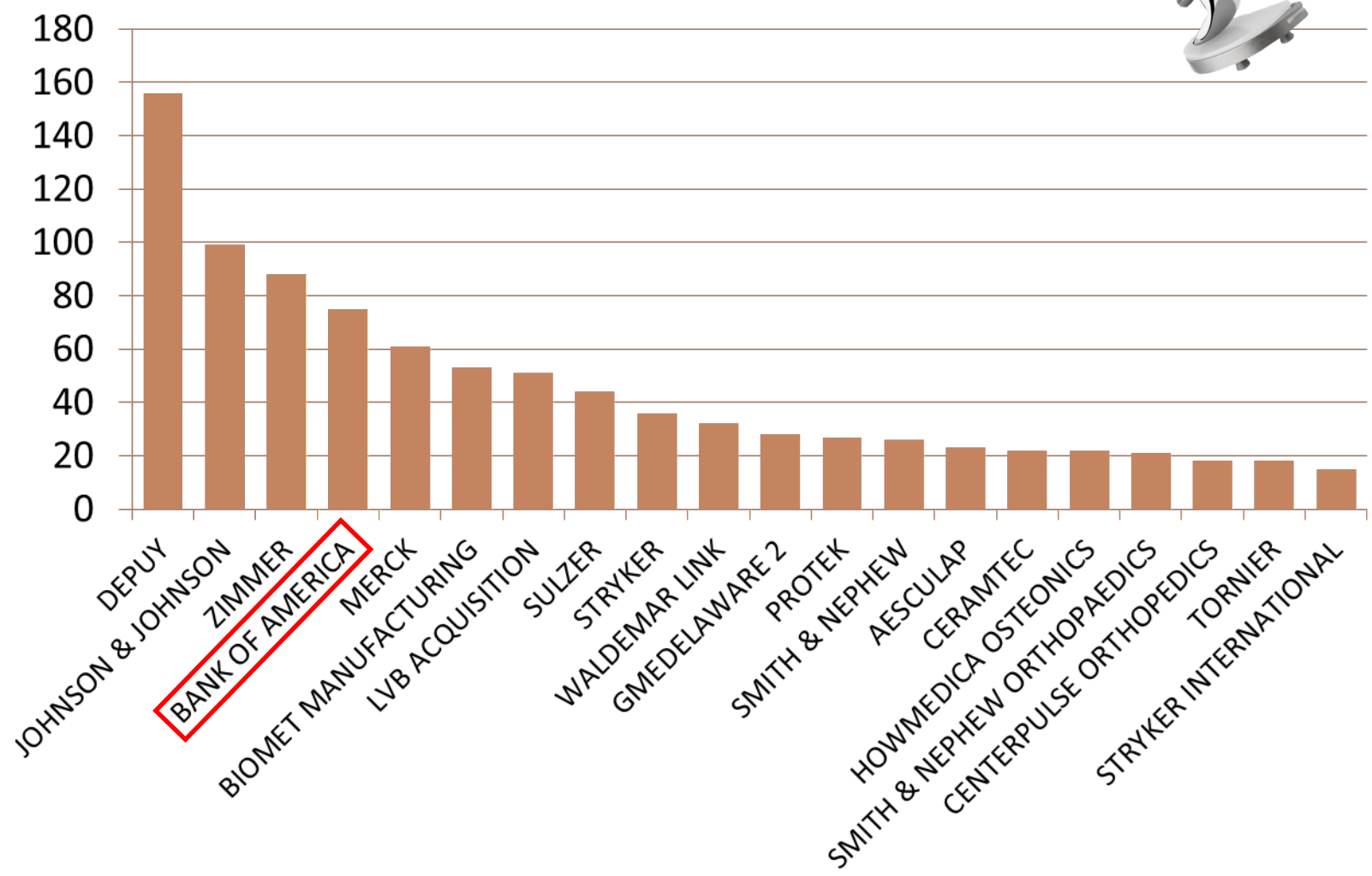
bioartificial cartilage
tissue engineering



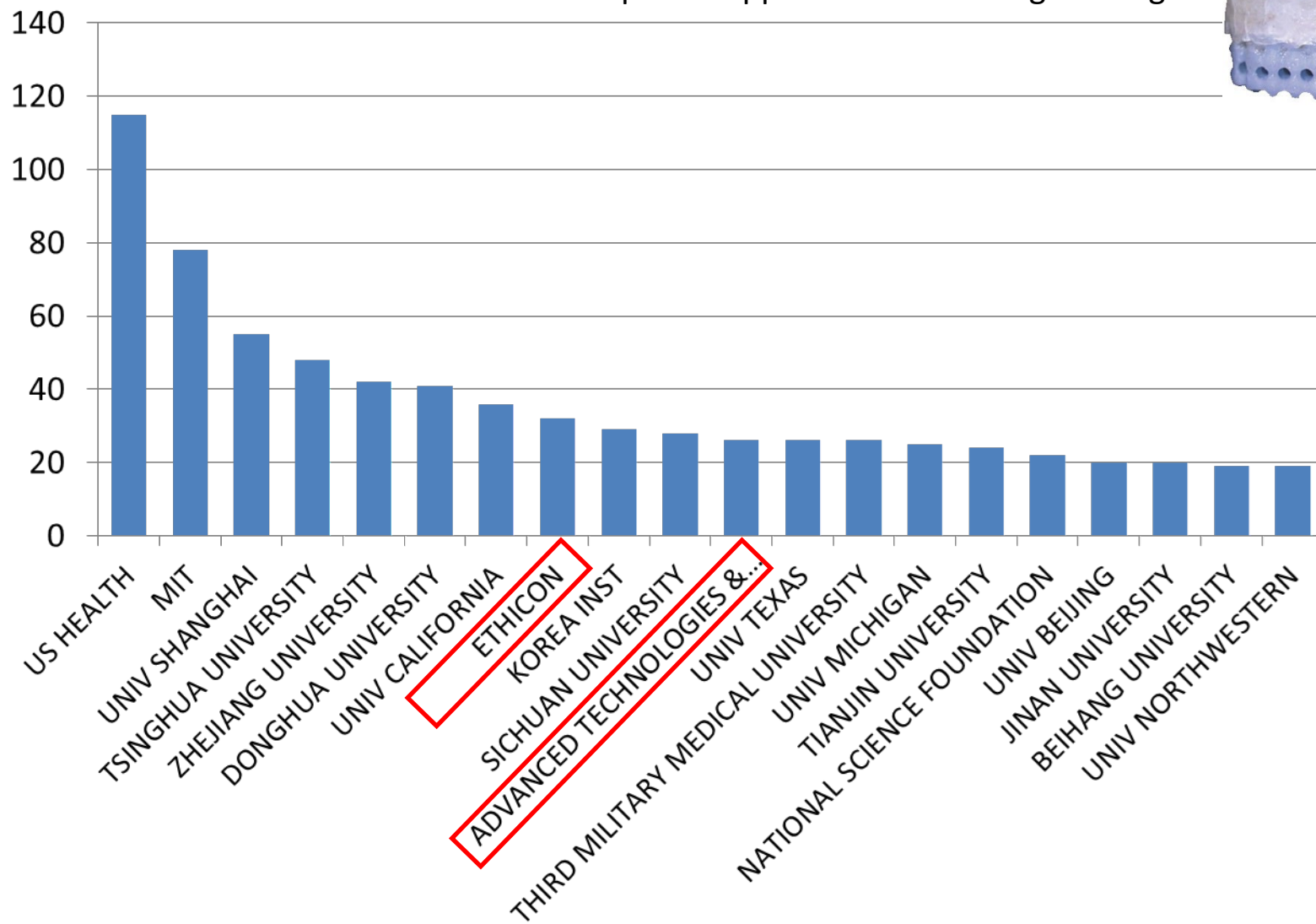
patent trends



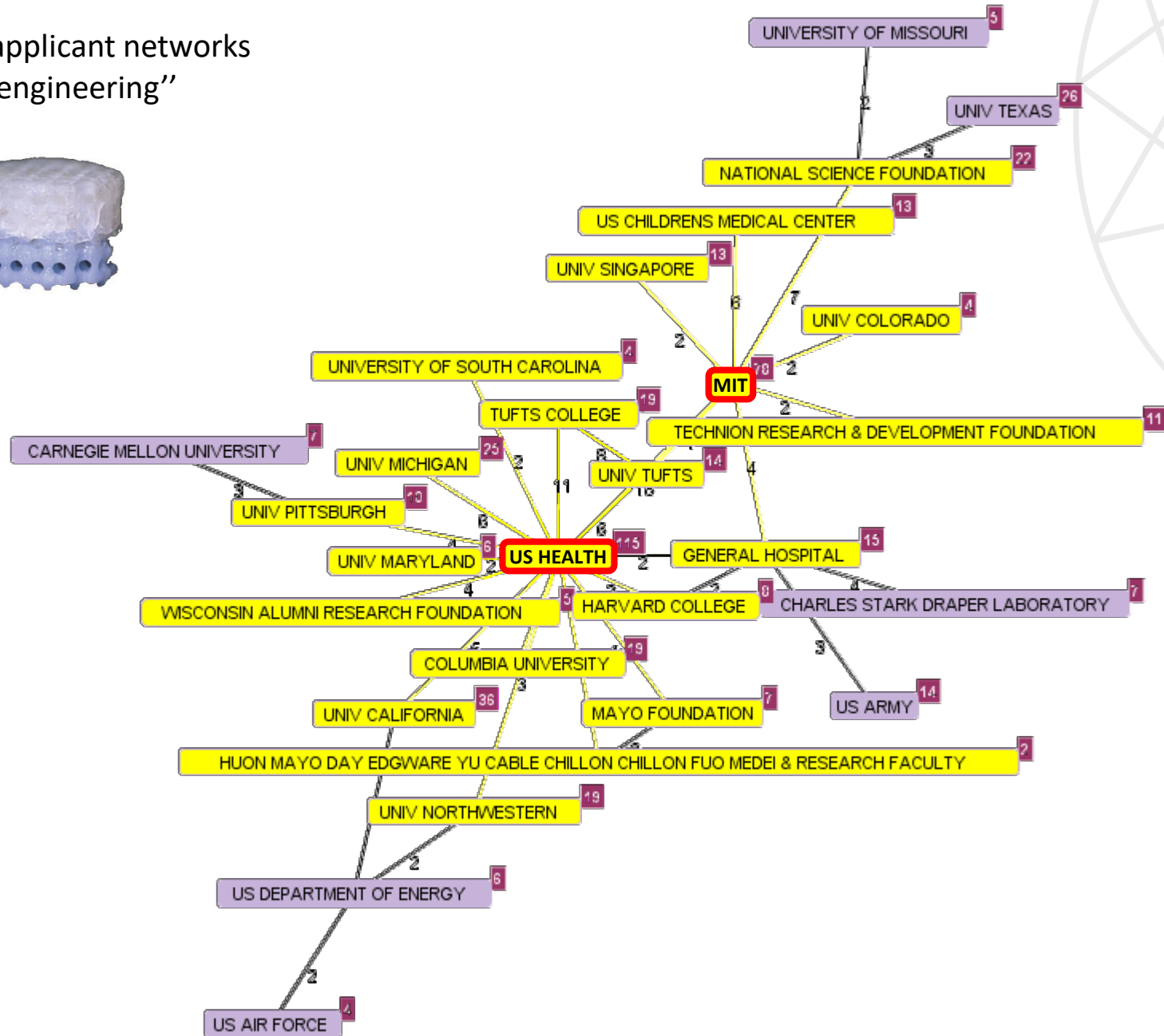
first 20 patent applicants "joint prosthesis"

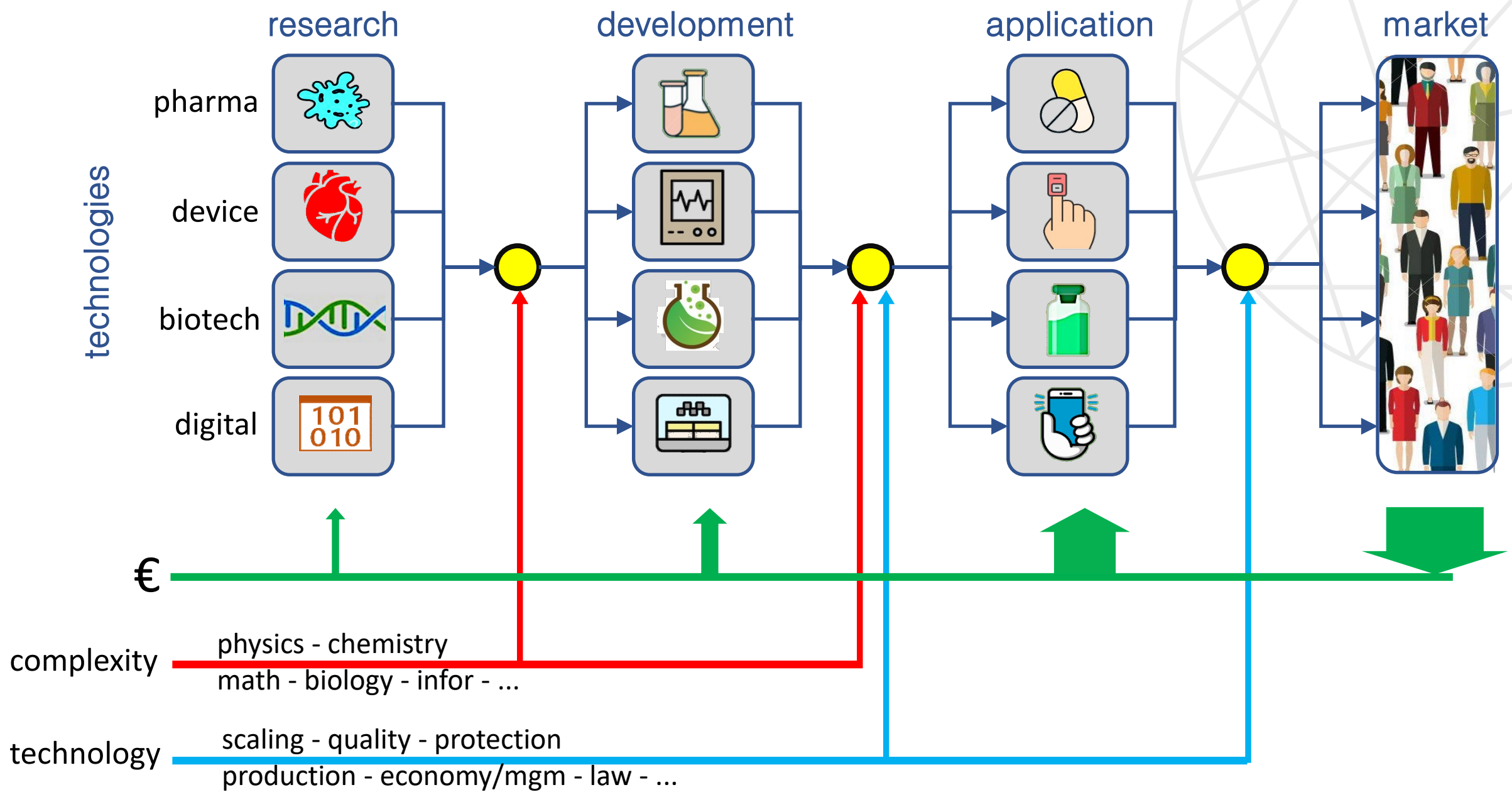


first 20 patent applicants "tissue engineering"



patent applicant networks
"tissue engineering"

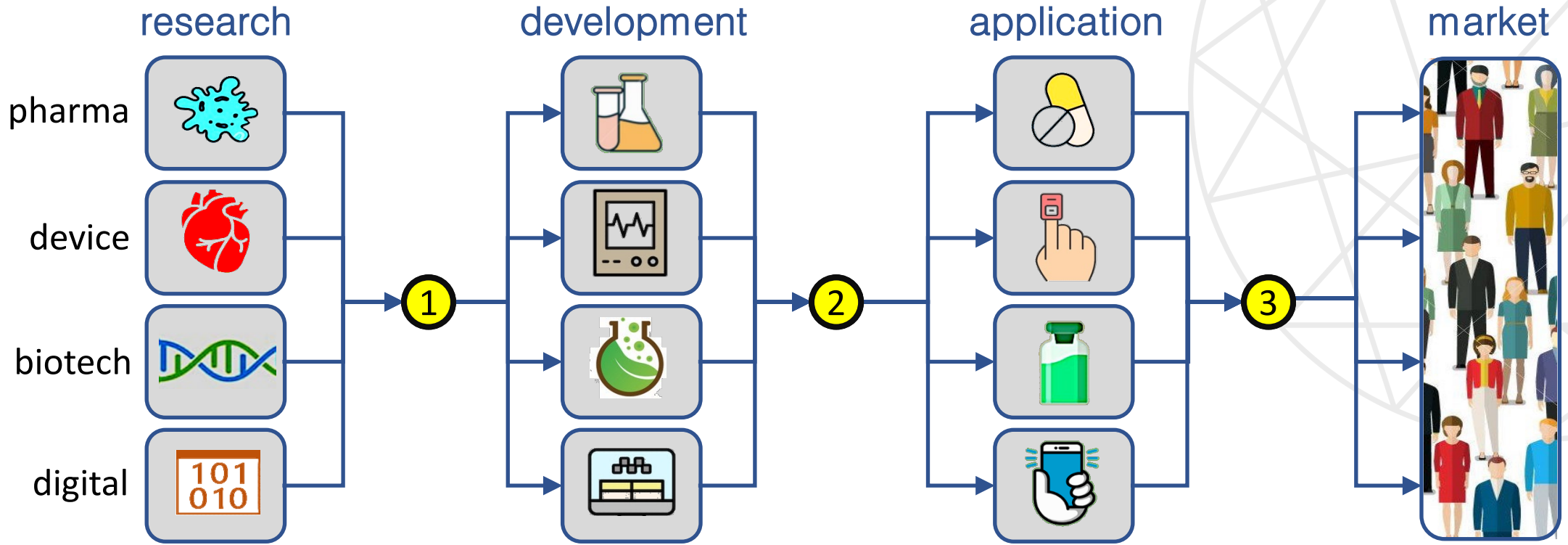




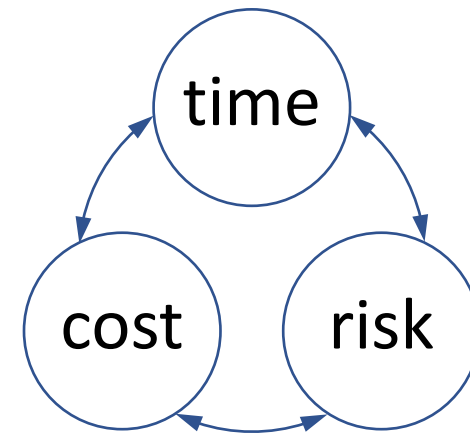
physics - chemistry
math - biology - infor - ...

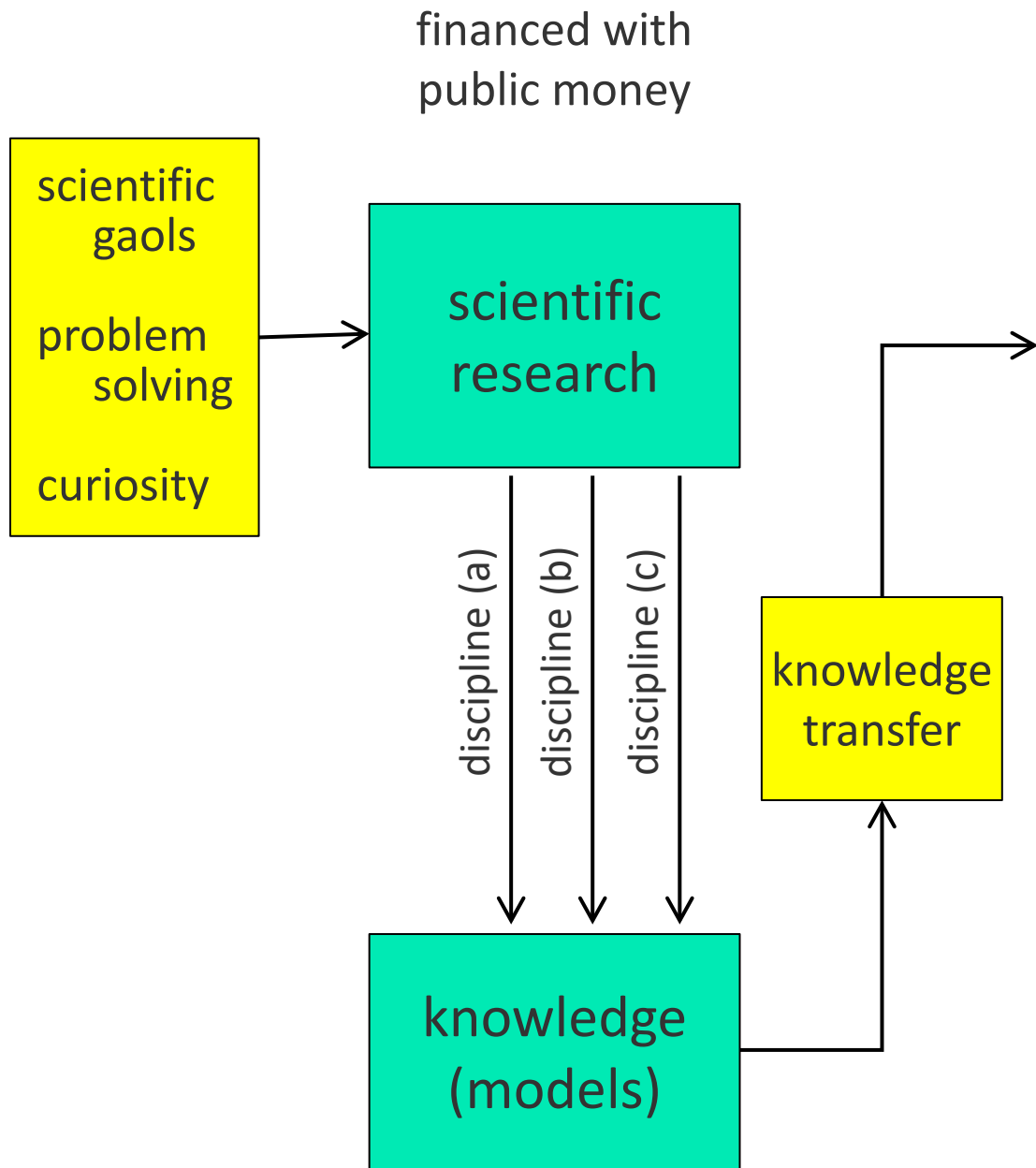
scaling - quality - protection
production - economy/mgm - law - ...

technologies



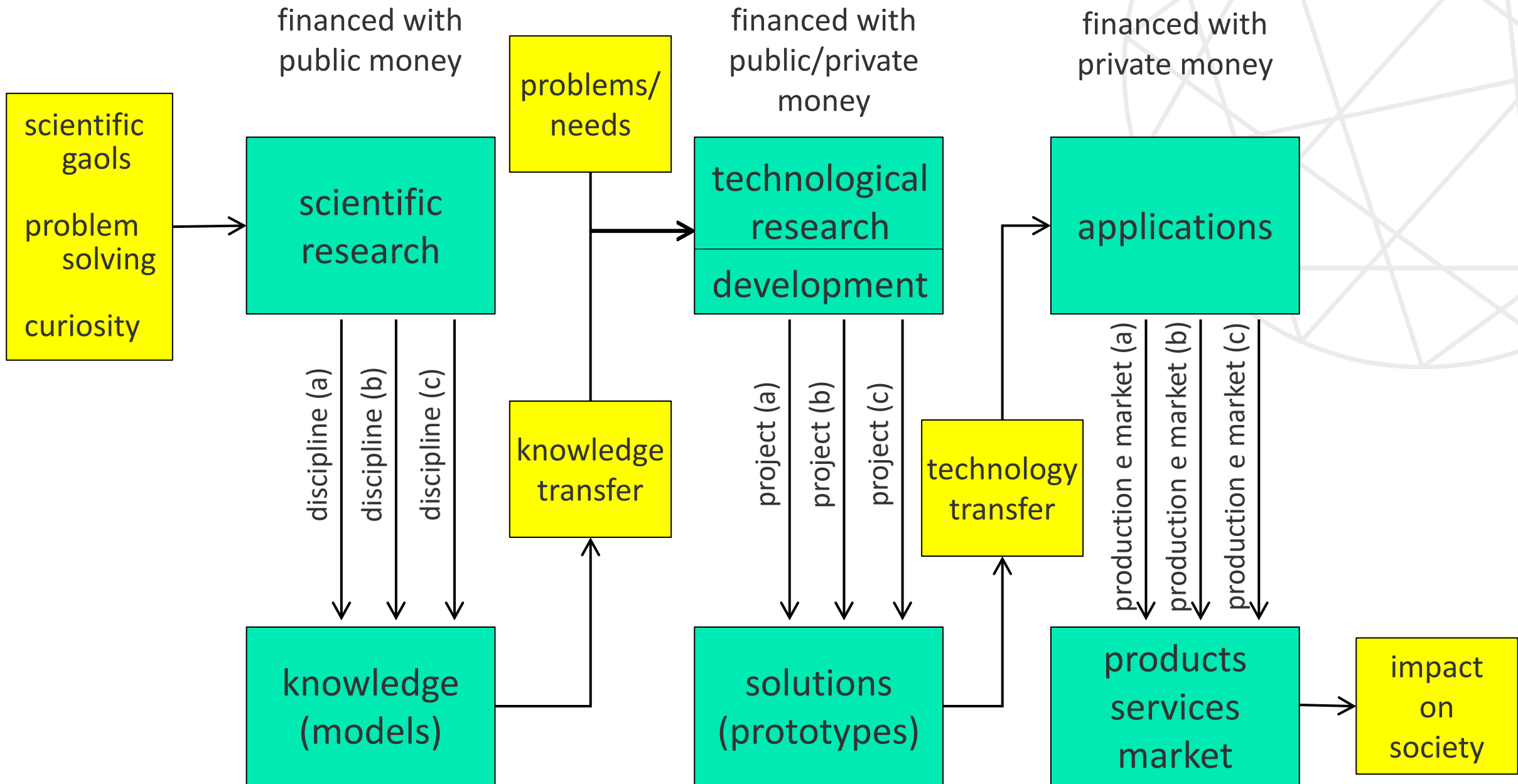
- 1 knowledge transfer (KT)
- 2 technology transfer (TT)
- 3 impact (I)

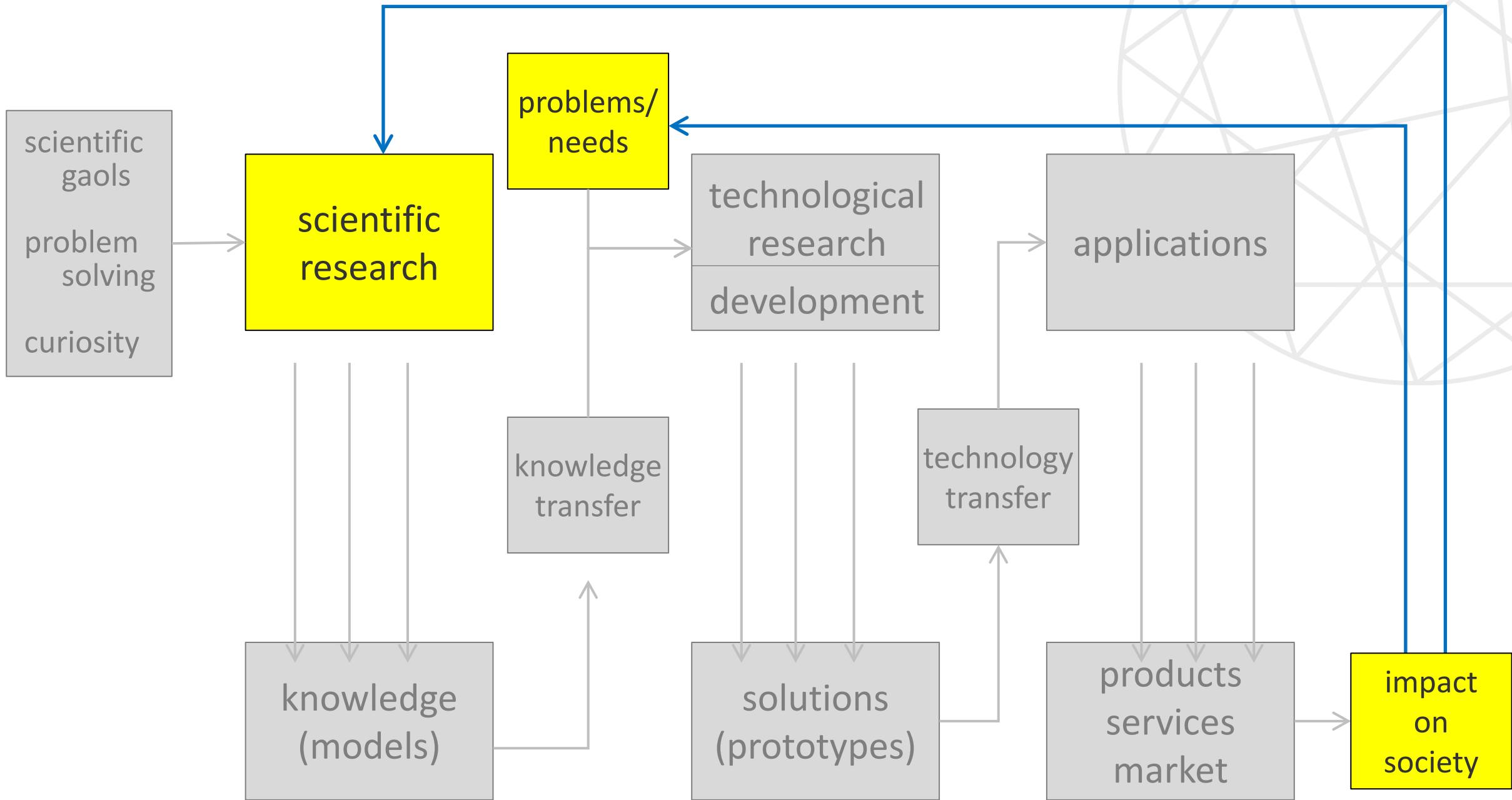


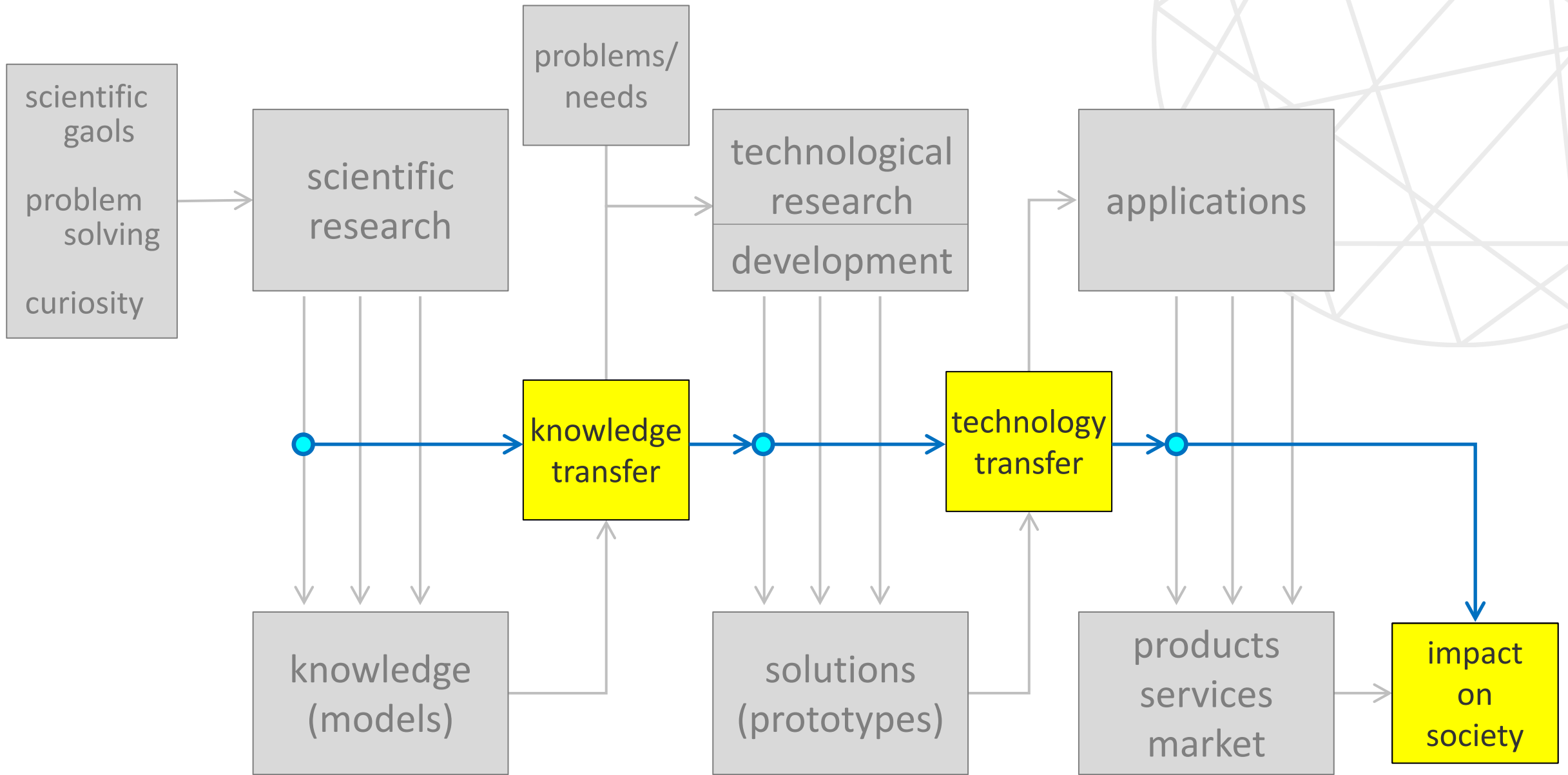


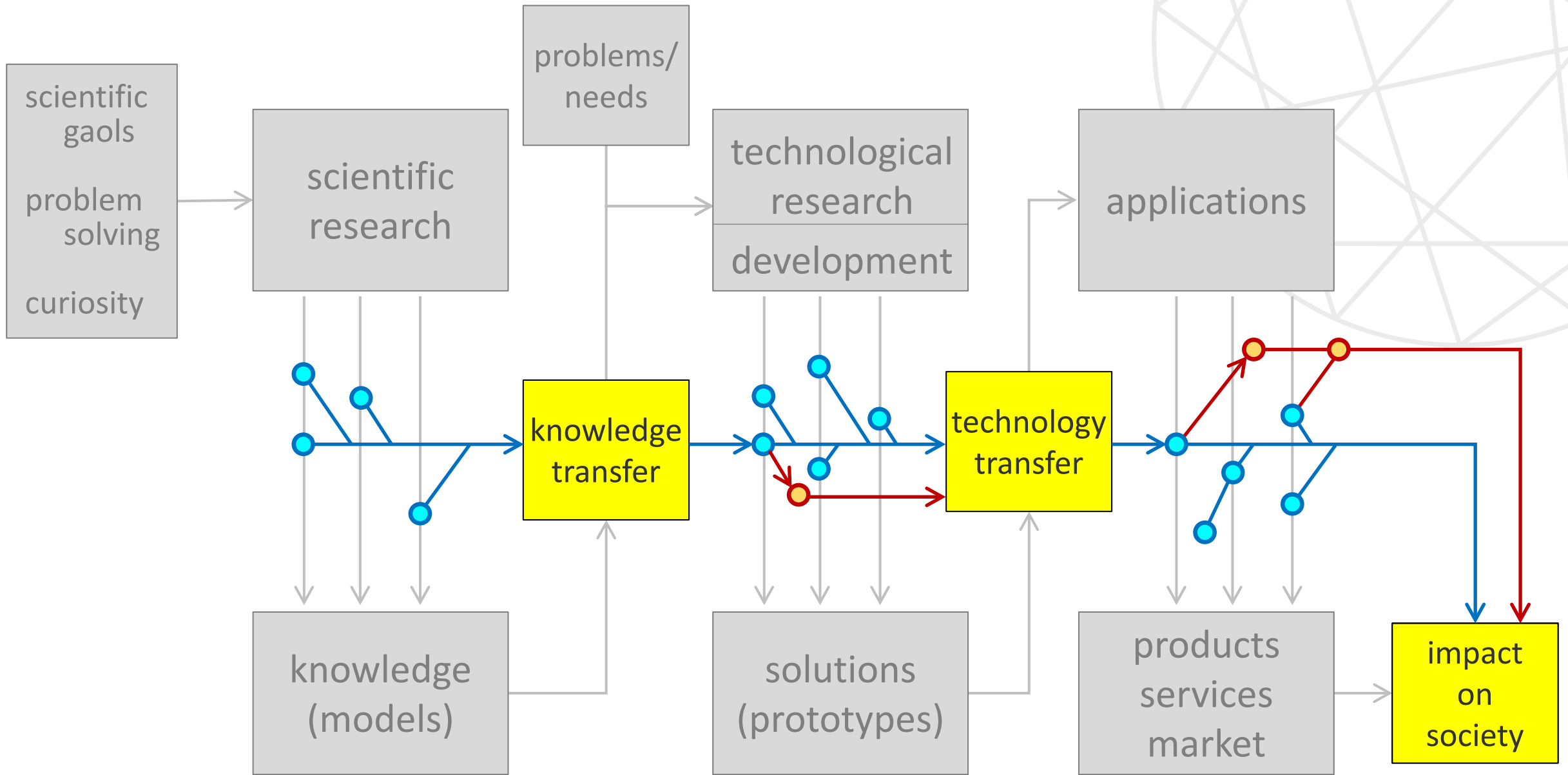
the scientific research is:
independent
disciplinary
financed with public money

is the new knowledge:
useful?
when?
how?







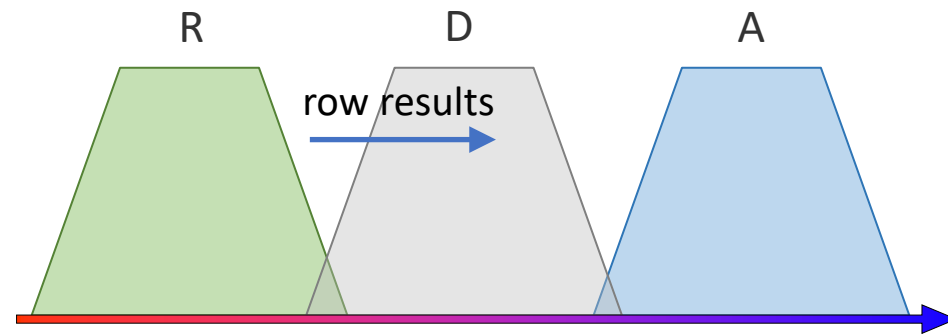




research

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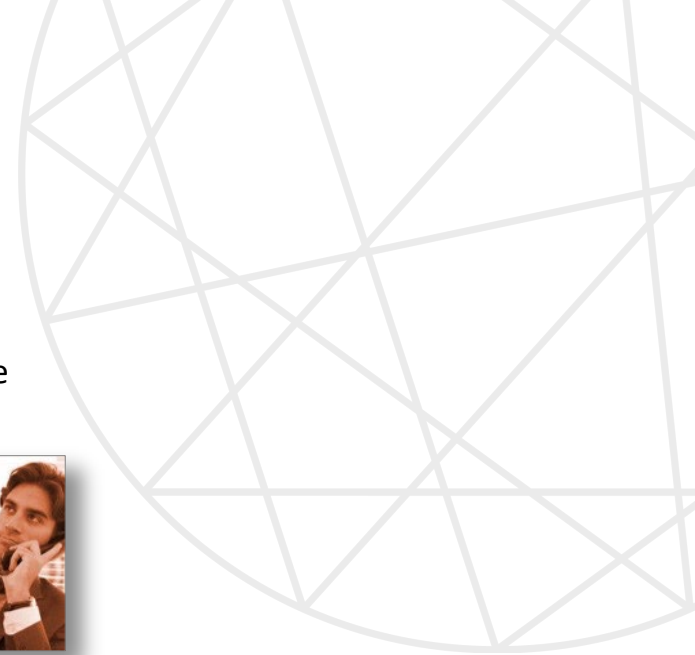
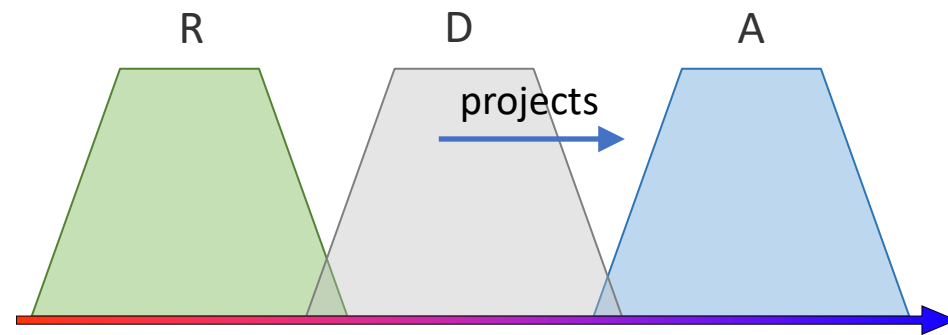
knowledge & education



applications

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impact on society & wealth





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