Growth of University Spin Offs - USOs

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Purpose of Review

- 1. To present wrap up of 22 year study of University Spin Off Firms [USOs] in Canada and their position internationally.
- 2. To highlight strengths of Canadian USOs in terms of socio-economic benefits.
- 3. To highlight High Growth Firms Gazelles and Lag Time shifts for decisions - so need faster management decisions.

Data Sources

Multi-year Data collected over 30 Years from wide range of inputs.

- 1. Names of USOs UILO reports, press releases, grants.
- Financial and Jobs: USO web pages, SEDAR for public firms, Strategis, Manta, Zoominfo, sector reports, & news clips.
- 3. Note: NO company surveys or interviews done.

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- 2. USO list exchange with B. Laciak, NSERC but new names not used unless independently verified as a USO.

Definitions of University Spin OFF Firms - USO and USSO

1. USO SPIN OFF Firm: created to COMMERCIALIZE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY that is: UNIVERSITY OWNED * & / or UNIVERSITY RESEARCHER OWNED

- 2. USSO Univ Student Spin Off Firm: created by a STUDENT or Recent GRADUATE with some links to the university – thesis, services, equipment etc, but NO University linked I.P.
- NRC-IRAP Assisted University Spin Off Firm received >\$15,000 of NRC - IRAP Funding & advice ** within First 5 Years after Start Up - 34% of cases

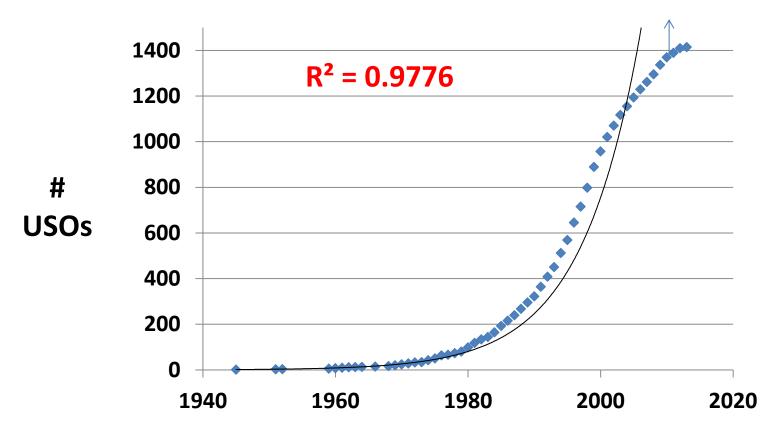
* Includes some Hospitals ** 43 NRC - ITAs on Univ & Coll campus.

Lead Studies in Canada

- Jerome Doutriaux Ottawa U: 1980s
- David Strangway, UBC, 301 USOs: 1995 2001
- AUTM for US and Canadian Univs: <1990 2012</pre>
- NSERC: Res. Means Business: **3** Rpts 121 USOs
- Stats Can: 4 surveys 1,242 USOs 1999 2008
- Benefits reports UILOs: UBC, SK / Man 2009 -2013
- Jorge Niosi, UQAM, Montreal 1990 2013
- Denys Cooper: 1,394 USOs 1989 2014+



Cumulative 1,394 USOs: 1945 - 2014 in Canada High R² value until drop in 2001



Incorp Year

USA : also exponential curve and drop off line but recovers post 2005, Similar curves for Japan, Korea, Italy.

Socio - Economic Contributions by Universities

Orders of Magnitude:

- **Training** of Students \rightarrow Graduates \rightarrow higher Salaries * 1.
 - \rightarrow Better Jobs for the economy and Taxes.
- **Contracts** from industry ****/ Licence** of Univ technology to established firms -2. \rightarrow products & services
- Staff as **Consultants** to industry \rightarrow Products and services 3. \rightarrow Jobs, sales and taxes.
- **University Spin Off firms** \rightarrow Products and services 4.
 - \rightarrow Jobs, Sales and Taxes.

#4 is the one most studied for their socio-economic contributions.

- **Environment / Social Issues.** 5.
- * Stats Can 2014: \$742 K salary > for univ grad over H. Sch. over 20 years.
- \$938 M in 2011 / 12, Stats Can: Licence revenue \$58 M in 2008 if $2\% \rightarrow$ \$3B sales ** - http://www.statcan.gc.ca/daily-quotidien/130708/t130708b001-eng.htm₇

- \rightarrow Jobs, sales and taxes.

Found 24,000 USOs in 29 Countries

Country	<u># USOs</u>	<u>Years</u>	Country	<u># USO</u>	<u>s</u> <u>Years</u>
USA	9,116	<1990 - 2013	China	2,900	2010<
Canada	1,394	1945 - 2013 *	Japan	1,500	2000 - 2010
Italy	1,071	1979 - 2012	S. Korea	1,185	1998 - 2010
UK	976	to 2007			
Netherlands	s 600	to 2009	Spain	496	1993 - 2006
Germany	3,369	to 2006	France	387	<1984 - 1998
Belgium	250	to 2010	Australia	314	2001 - 2010
Israel	150	to 2010	Switz - ETH	l 130	1998 - 2007
Norway	120	1986 - 2006	Sweden	150	1960 - 1991

DC Est. to 2013 **28,000** USOs Worldwide

Detailed 23 page international literature review.

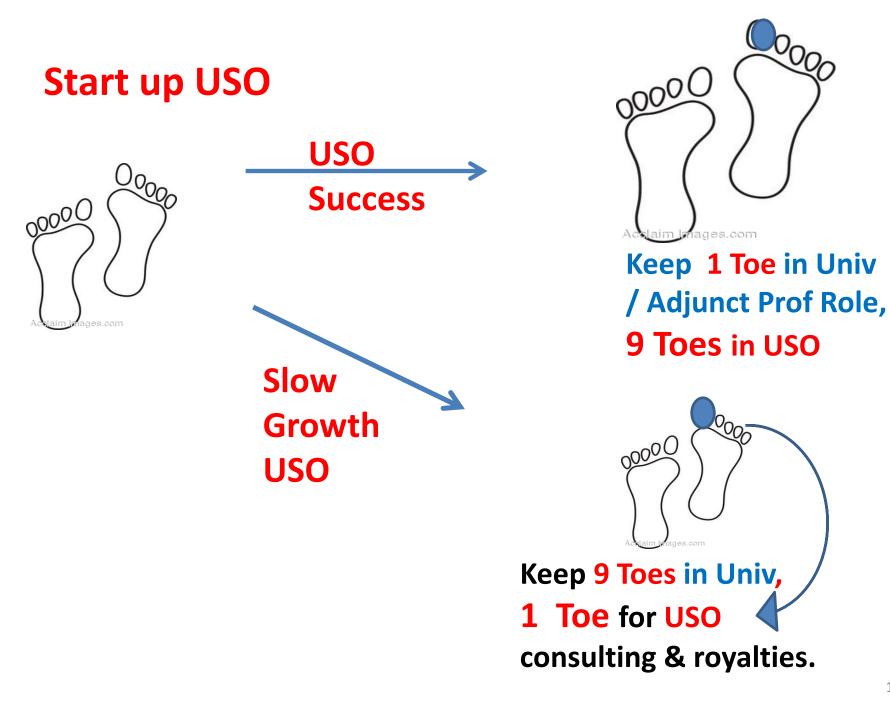
* Excludes 250 Student led USSOs.



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Latest USO Status	<u># of USOs</u>	<u>%</u>
S = Ongoing	614	44%
X = Still on Stock Exchang	je 43	3%
T = Taken Over / Ongoing	<u>249 [906]</u>	<u>18%</u>
C = Closed	437	31%
U = Uncertain	<u>51</u>	<u>4%</u>
Total	1,394	100%

High net Survival Rate 65% for average of 15.6 years so far. In general, SME start ups: only 50% survive for 5+ years.



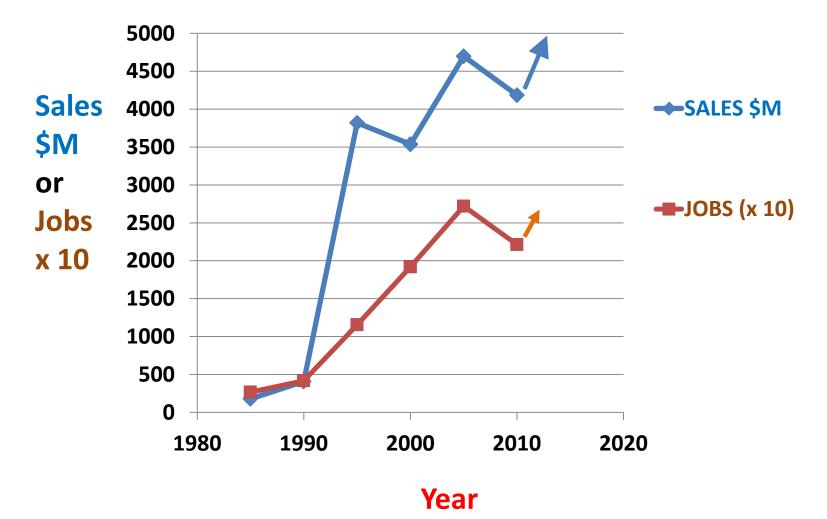
<u>Sector</u>	<u># USOs</u>	<u>%</u> Sub-Sector
Life Sciences	620	44%: - Bio, pharma, Medical
I.C.T. / Elect	387	28% - Comm., electr, software
Manuf	170	12% - Mach, mech, materials
Resources	76	6% - Energy, enviro,
Other	<u>139</u>	<u>10%</u> - Construction, transport
Total	1,394	100%

Region a	# of Can US	<u>SOs</u> <u>USO %</u>	185 Female Led %
BC	320	23%	49 for 15%
Prairies	244	18%	25 for 10%
ONT	506	36%	62 for <mark>12%</mark>
QC	256	18%	38 for 15%
ATL	68	<u> 5% </u>	<u>11 for</u> <u>16%</u>
Total	1,394	100%	185 for <mark>13.3%</mark>

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USO: Growth of Known Jobs and Sales



Revised 2012 Nov – Charts #5



Sizable Jobs and Sales - Annual & Accumulated

	Latest Year 2012 -14	Accumulated
Jobs	25,200 in 410 USOs	307,000+ ** job years
Sales	\$9.2 B on 410 USOs	\$62+ B ** 5.6

2013: 10 firms 9,800 jobs & \$7.5 B sales.

Accumulated Data:

* First national estimate. Cohen showed 280 K USO USA jobs 1980 - 99

** A. My figures should be larger because of data gaps.
B. Little data for ongoing USOs once taken over, but if use latest year 2010+ could represent 30,000 more job-yrs & \$5 B sales.

High Growth Firms - Definition of Gazelles

- 1. Employment:
 - Double employment within a 5 year period and
 - Have at least 20 employees within a 5 year period
 - Definition adopted in Statistics Canada / IRAP study
- 2. Sales:
 - **Double** sales within a **5 year** period and
 - Have at least \$10 M sales within a 5 year period

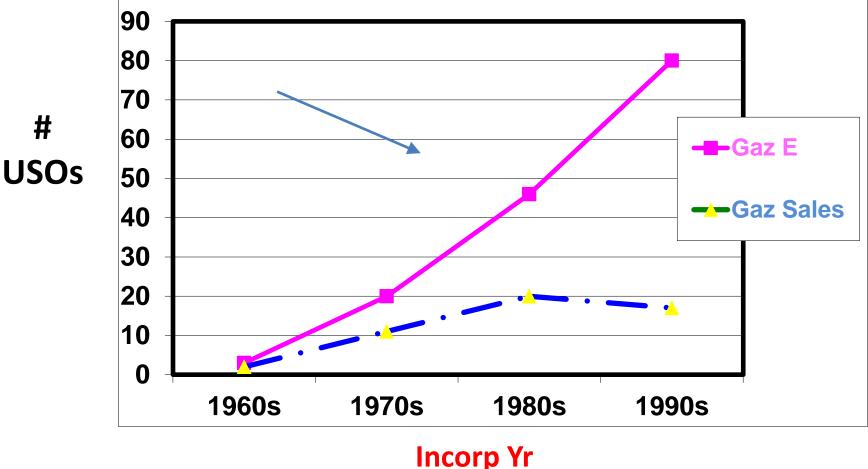
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259 Gazelles for University Spin Off Firms

USOs by Decades, for Gazelles by Employment [GE] and Sales [GS] to 2011

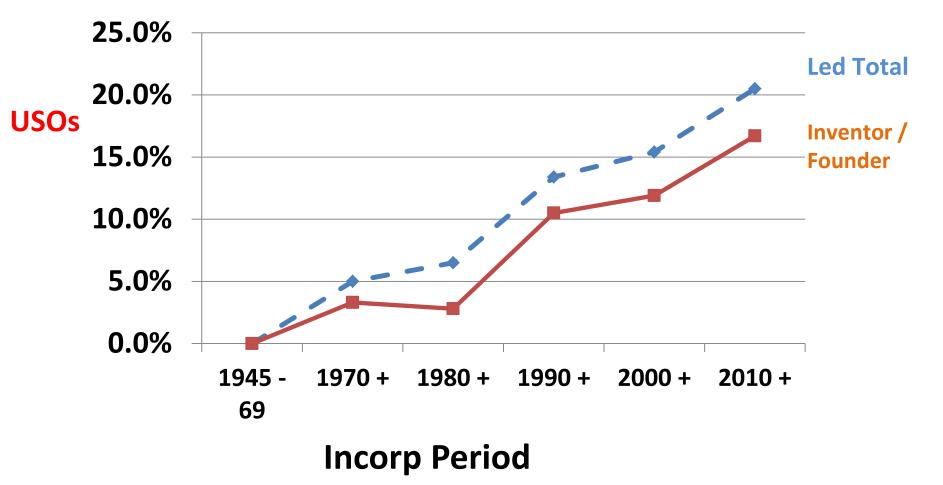


Gazelles: Presence Varies by Sector

Sector	259 USOs for % as Gaz	185 Female Led USOs and # for % as Gaz -34
ICT / Elect	94 for 26%	7 for 7%
Life Sci: Bio / Pharma / Med	118 for 61%	23 for 19%
Manuf Energy / Enviro	14 for 8% 15 for 20%	3 for 21% 0 for 0%
Other	18 for 13%	1 for 6%
Net Total	19%	34 for 13.3% .

Gazelles based on Employment levels. Lower % for Sales levels.

First Study of Female Led USOs [185] and Female Inventor / Founder USOs [123]



Gazelles Important for Job Creation in 2012 -14

	# GE USOs	# Jobs	% Firms	% Jobs	Ave # Jobs / Firm
Gazelles	91	21,240	24%	95%	233
Non Gaz	295	3,205	76%	5%	11
Total	386	22,445	100%	100%	58
Excludes	75	USO Gaz	with no	recent	Sales Data

Jobs for latest year for 2012 – 2014 Sales Gazelles had \$4.3 B from 87 USOs for 94% of sales

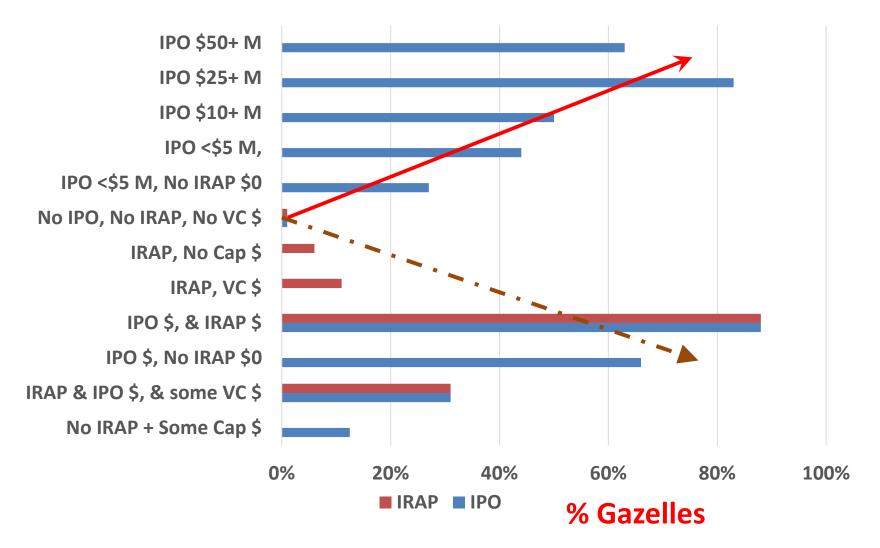
USO Gazelles higher with VC Funding than base 4%* for all Firms

Gazelles

# Firms	-	#	%
2,434 **	Total \$18 B VC	429	17.6%
1,586 **	Technology Firms with VC	284	18%
200	Univ USOs with VC - 2014	40	20%
136	NRC - IRAP & VC - 2014	37	27%

- 4%: First seen by Prof Birch, MIT in 1970s, & Stats Can / NRC 1995.
- ** Industry Canada Study 2008 Y. Errounda, and D. Cooper

Funding of 1394 USOs incl 259 IPO USOs



RTOs % Gaz: No IRAP, No VC = **20%**, With IRAP & VC = **52%**

Analysis of Gazelles in University Spin Offs 1 of 2

- 1. University Spin Off firms have a higher % of Gazelles
 - 19% vs 1 4% for Canadian industry as a whole, & US [Birch]
 - Davidsson in Sweden found 14% for all sectors.
- 2. High Tech sector shows higher growth rates, in Canada
 - Key growth sectors ICT and Bio / Pharma.
 - Manufacturing sector shows lower levels of Gazelles
 - US, Holland and Finland show higher levels in Non-Tech areas.
- 3. Still get some Gazelles for larger firms
- 4. Average time to Takeover unrelated to:
 - Gazelle or if firm received IRAP support.

Analysis of Gazelles in University Spin Offs 2 of 2

- 6. Closure rates 53 Gazelles [20%] vs 31+% for all USOs
 - Normally 50% of all start up firms disappear within 5 years.
- 7. Gazelles targeted? 329 USOs T/Os at 25% vs 38% for Gazelles.
- 8. There is considerable turbulence in employment levels
 - especially in 2003/4 and in 2008/12 where Gazelle jobs grew then dropped back [GEDp] but NOT to original levels.
- 9. Sizeable lag time to get Sales, but R&D jobs grow e.g. in Bio.
- 10. USO growth as gazelles NOT seen in EU study 2012.
- 11. Few GS Sales Gazelles in NCE USOs still too early [2008 study].

85 Serial Entrepreneurs - 7 Female

UBC Annual report first covered them in 2005 for 2+ USOs

- 1. Net total of 192 firms. 21 profs had 3 to 6 USOs 64 USOs.
- 2. U. of T. has 22 serial entrepreneurs with 50 USOs [28%].
 - Financial Models: \$500 M sales and 480 PYs in 2006 then T/O for \$170 M.
- 3. UBC has 16 serial entrepreneurs with 43 USOs [22%].
- 71% of all Gazelles are formed by Serial Entrepreneurs but few USOs exceed \$25 M in annual sales.
- 5. Lorne Whitehead, UBC is the most prolific with 6 USOs
 - TIR Systems Light Pipe had \$15 M sales when T/O by Phillips in 2006 for \$75 M.

185 Female Inventor / Founder Led USOs



- Level now similar to NSERC funded female researchers – 2004 Annual report.

2. Gazelles slightly lower at 13% vs 19% for all USOs,

- Only 4 USOs have sales over \$20 M / yr

- at 2.2%, still higher than 1.8% for all USOs.
- 4. The average IPO funding for Women Led USOs at \$11.5 M vs \$29 M for all USOs is 40% lower than for all USOs, but higher # % of RTOs, so overall funding is even lower to get on the stock exchange.
- Even if one discounts the leader, QLT of UBC J. Levy's macular eye treatment which has raised \$454 M, female led firms had 16% lower average VC and post IPO capital placements at \$21 M / USO.

250 Student Formed / Led USSOs

- 1. Largest national study so far. Prelim from 45 Univ & Colleges.
- 2. Exponential growth in numbers of USSOs a high R² of 0.91.
- 3. ICT / Elect highest sector [49%], and Life Sciences [20%].
- 4. 60% USSOs formed by students in courses, 27% by recent grads
- 5. 11 firms gone public. 130 USSOs in ON [52%] which also received 72% of VC and post IPO funding.
- 6. Only 19% USSOs had IRAP \$ within 5 years of start up.
- 7. Higher survival rates at 81% vs 65% for USOs maybe due to more being newer firms.
- 8. Gazelles 14% below that for USOs. 11% Female Led.
- 9. Largest USSOs are: RIM / Blackberry [cumm sales of \$36.7 B and 72,617 job-years to 2011], Angiotech [closed]. Faro, & Spin Master in TV games both in US.

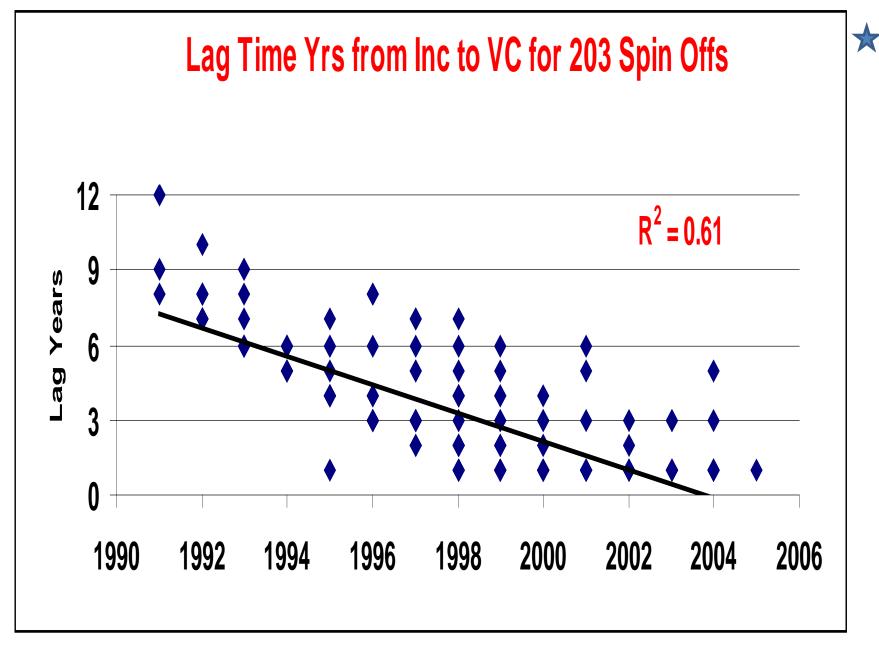


Lag Time Studies

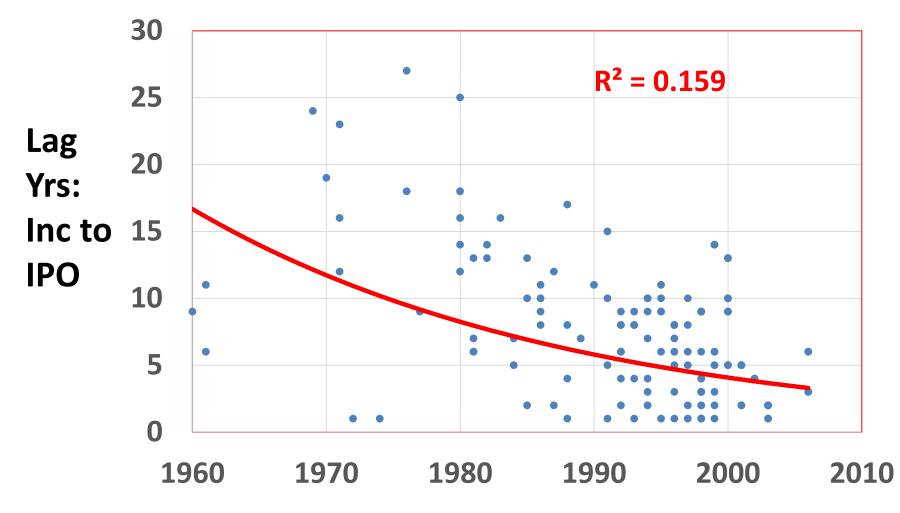
Shows **decreasing Lag Times** from date of Incorporation to:

- •First VC Funding
- •IPO
- Takeover
- •Closure
- •First Profit and Elimination of Deficits
- •Job Creation Levels 50 and 100 PYs

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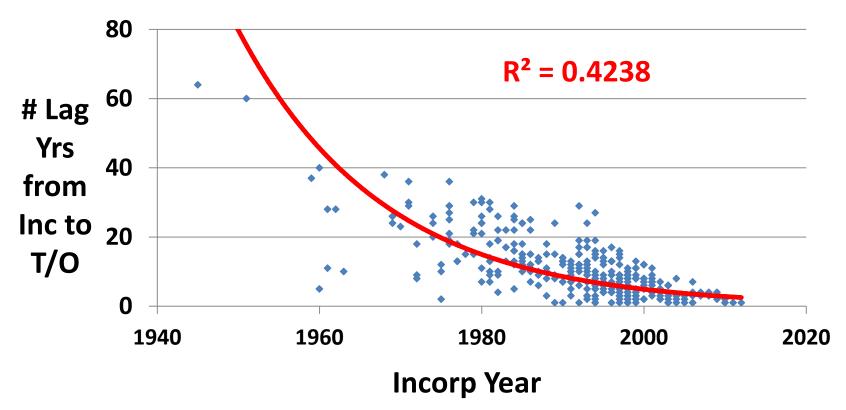


134 IPOs - Lag Yrs from Inc



Excludes RTOs, Cap Stocks and SPEQs

T/O Lag Yrs from Incorp for 366 of 387 Taken over USOs



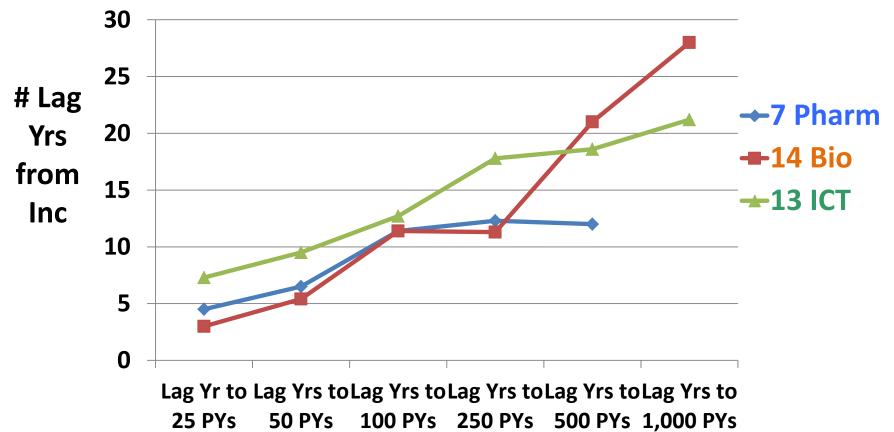
- 1. T/Os occur at all sizes of USOs, rising to 50% for firms with 50 99 PYs, then % drops off.
- 2. Includes **19** USOs which transferred Head Office to US.

Of 387 USOs Taken Over, 122 had known Valuations of \$11.5 B

Sector	122 T/Os	\$ M	Ave \$ M	Median \$ M
Life Science	71	\$6,700	\$95	\$30
ICT / Elect	34	\$2,739	\$83	\$33
Manuf	5	\$541	\$108	\$8
Energy / Enviro	5	\$813	\$163	\$19
Other	7	\$713	\$102	\$75
Total	122	\$11,506	\$94	\$23

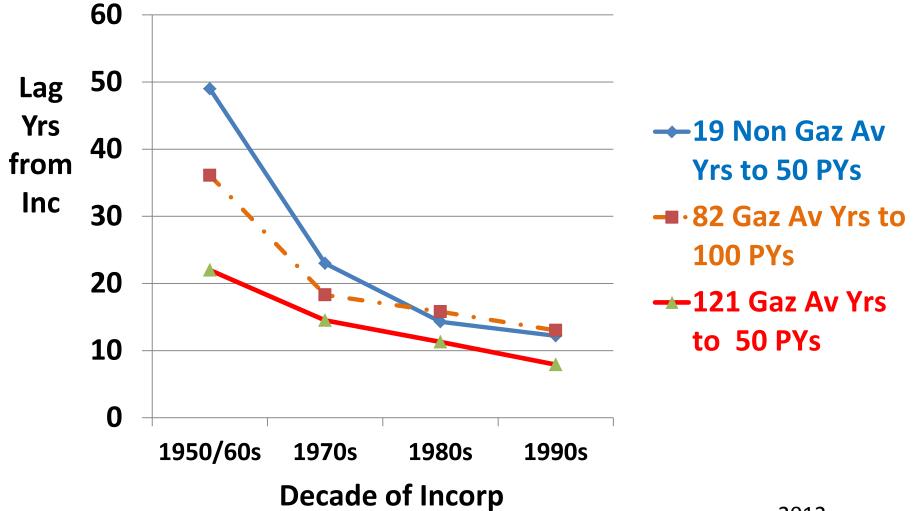
BC: ID BioMedical at \$1.2 B, CREO at \$980 M [Spencer +]. ON: Rimon / Enobia at \$1.4 B, Zenon Enviro, at \$760 M.

Average Employment Lag Times for 3 Sectors to Reach 50, 100, 500 and 1,000 Employees

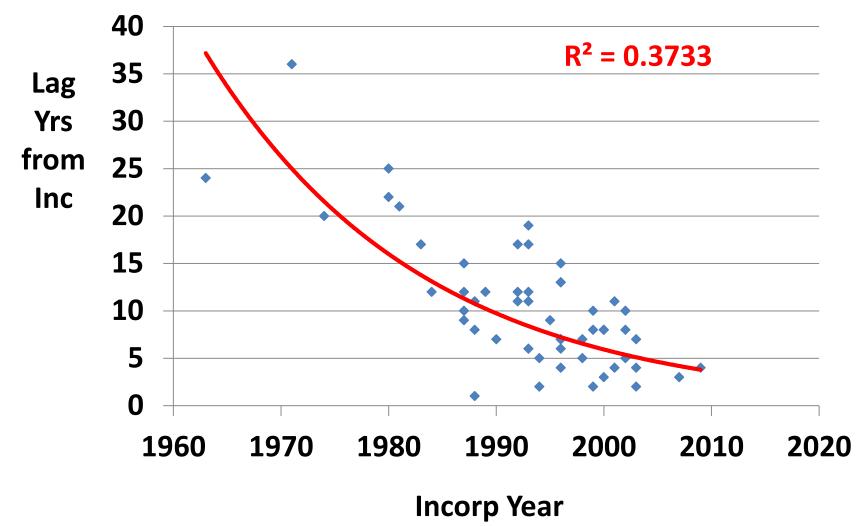


- 1. Similar curves for sales, but with longer lag times.
- 2. Lag times reduced by 50% for gazelles.

Drop in Lag Times for Gazelles vs Non-Gazelles * to Reach 50 and 100 Employees



Closure Lag Time Yrs from Incorp - 356 USOs



Does Canada Need a Bayh-Dole Act ? NO University IP Ownership Policy

	Prof	Univ	Prof : Univ
IP Owned for 1257 USOs	699	558	56% : 44%
USOs Ongoing	473	280	Prof
- %	74%	50%	Prof
USOs Closed	20%	31%	Prof
GE Gaz #	17%	21%	Univ
# USOs with 100+ Employees	13	4	Prof
Ave Employees / USO	61	57	Similar
Ave Sales / USO 2012/13	\$15 M	\$16 M	Similar
IPO \$s / USO	\$18 M	\$33 M	Univ
VC & Private Placement	\$25M	\$33 M	Univ
	26%	29%	Similar
T/Overs as % of USOs			
% T/Overs by Can	53%	41%	Prof
% T/Overs by USA Coy	29%	38%	Prof

1980 Act: US Congress Start Up Act 2.0 of **2012** July may permit researchers to select their own commercialization agent. Weakens Bayh Dole Act?

Are USOs being Spun off Too Early?

2008 - 2011 VC Study shows:

- Status of Firms: Similar ratio of Ongoing firms : Closures
- Gazelles: USOs > Tech Firms
- Jobs: Similar for 2 size groups
- Sales: Similar for 2 size groups

Conclusion: Neutral - Generally USOs **NOT** being spun off too early.

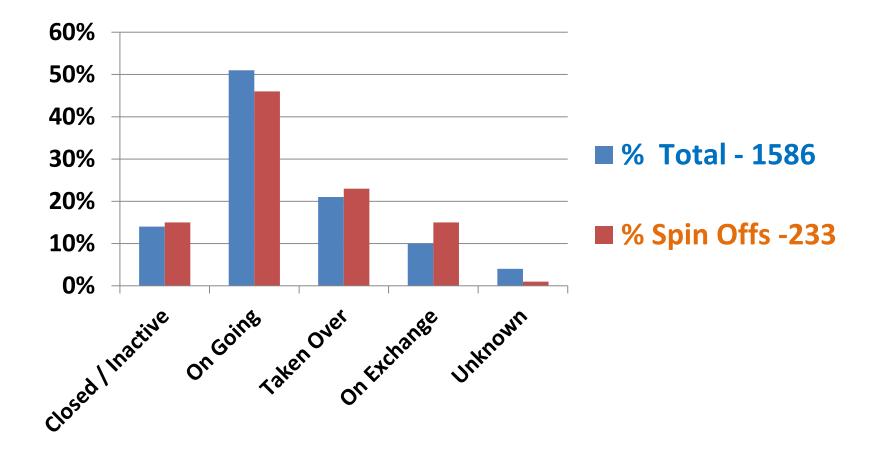
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NSERC – i2i: Lower performances - special case.

Are USOs Going Public Too Soon via RTO?: YES

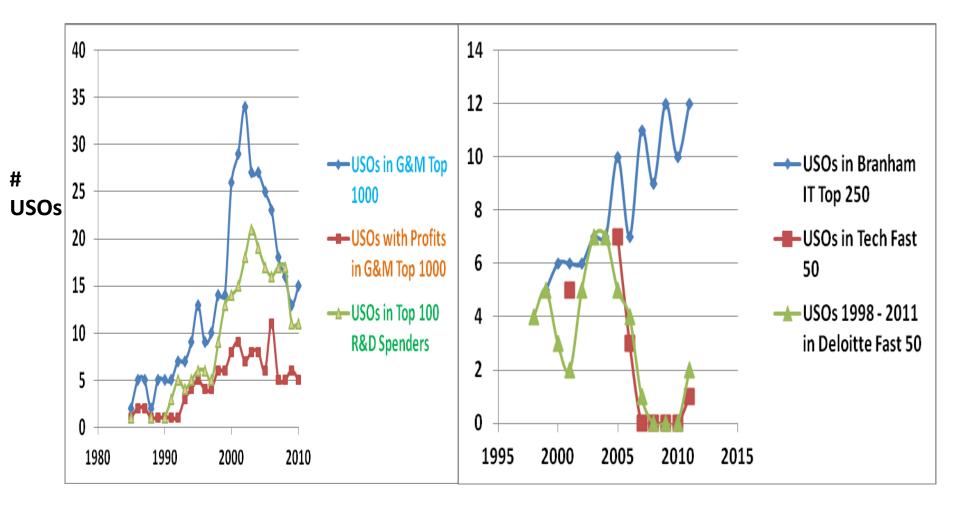
- Short term gain for quicker / easier access to stock exchange listing via RTO / Cap Stock. Major difference from USA.
- RTOs raise lower initial \$s and lower TOTAL capital \$s.
 - Better to be patient for full IPO if one can afford to wait.

Are 233 USOs being Spun off Too Early?



There is NO significant difference in status of USOs vs 1,586 Technology firms in the VC 2008 - 2011 Ind. Can. study.

Awards: Increased # of USOs, but then hit by Dotcom Bubble Burst. Exception is IT - Branham



Listing

Conclusions

- 1. Canada has more USOs than expected due to lower industry receptor capacity for Univ IP, compared to the US. Universities with larger research budgets create more USOs: UBC & SFU above trend line.
- 2. Canadian USOs have high survival rates. Results not strong in Europe 2012.
- 3. USOs have a major economic impact jobs & sales. Annual / Cumulative.
- 4. Gazelles make multiple jumps; contribute most jobs & sales. % Rise with VC \$s.
- 5. High takeover rate of USOs. Reasons: market [positive] & financial [negative].
- First detailed studies of women led USOs, student led USSOs, profits, and serial entrepreneurs. Founders involved for many years of key USOs.
- 7. Some USOs have raised large amounts of capital \$14.4 B. Concern: funds have dropped significantly over the past 3 years for VC \$s no recent IPOs in USOs.
- 8. The lag times from incorporation year to IPO, T/O or Closure have dropped significantly over the past 20 years; so, now USO founders & officers must manage major corporate changes within 5 years of start-up or close.
- 9. Based on company status and gazelles, USOs are NOT spun off too early.

Dissemination Steps - Provided core data

1. To Prof David Wolfe U of T for Innovation modelling.

- 2. To Ron Freedman, Impact Group for Innovation Atlas.
- 3. To collaborate with Haibo LIN of Hong Kong Polytechnique for Ph.D. Thesis - first comparative international study of USOs which have gone **public**
 - from UK, USA [200+ USOs] and Canada [151 USOs].

Next: To extend current benefits review of 600 American USOs, to over 3,500 of their 9,100 USOs.

Questions?

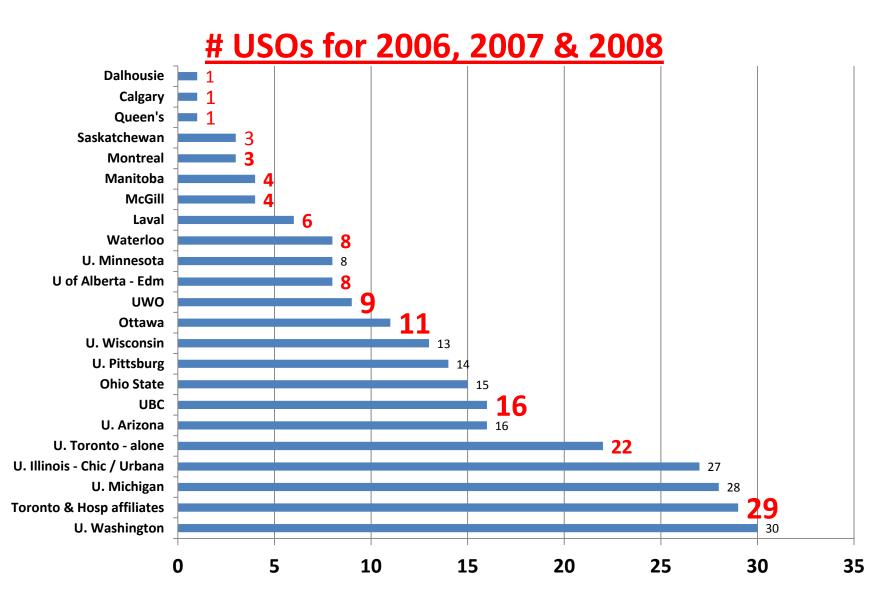
Supplementary data - 15 more slides & 12 \star

Top 5 Universities as Sources of USOs

	<u>University</u>	<u>USOs</u>			
•	Toronto	189	includes	CO-C	entres
•	UBC	174 <mark>*</mark>	"	"	"
•	Edmonton	104			
•	SFU	89			
•	McGill	70			
	Sub-Total	636			

Top 5 of total 103 centres have 46% of USOs.

Higher than UBC UILO www site - with 158 - here includes joint spin offs with others, e.g. BC Cancer Inst. & Van Gen Hosp. 41



Source AUTM 3 years compiled by U of Toronto Annual Performance Rpt 2011 [14+1 Can, <u>8 US</u>] http://www.utoronto.ca/__shared/assets/09a_Commercialization_visual4432.pdf

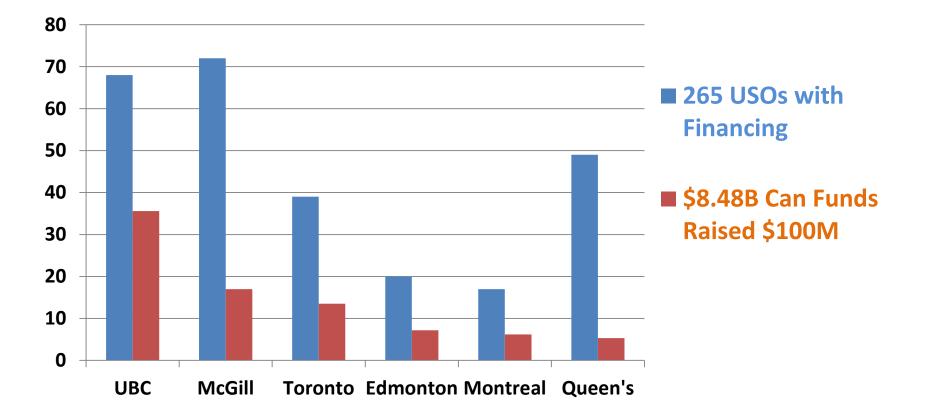
18 USOs with over \$100 M in Sales in one or more Years -**Key Leader** •McGill - F. Bellini Biochem Pharma •McMaster Linear / Gennum - D. Barber, Zenon Envirotech - A. Benedecte Algorithmics Montreal Inverpower / Satcon Power, •Saskatchewan Vecima / Watcom - S. Kumar •SFU CREO Products - K. Spencer & D. Gelbart Innova Technologies - M. Kehoe, Toronto - J. B. French Sciex •UBC **MDAssoc** - J. MacDonald, - J. Levy, QLT - P. Hill Westport Innov UWI, & Aspreva - ? - B. Glickman •Victoria •Waterloo - S. Chamberlain, Dalsa Open Text - T. Jenkins, Watcom / Sybase - G.Trevor & D. Cowan.



		NSERC Funded Cases				
Туре	% Male	% Female Inventors / Founders	Total Female Led			
USOs to 1995 Inc Yr	89%	11%	45			
USOs 1996+ Inc Yr	83%	17%	42	-		
Total USOs Prof funded	89%	11%	87			
All USOs + /- NSERC \$	93%	7.2%	101			
Total USSOs to 2013	90%	10%	10			
NSERC Grantees 2012						
Professors	82.3%	17.7%	12,000	-		
U-Grads and Grads	60.6%	39.4%	30,000			

• Total # of NSERC funded USOs and USSOs is likely under stated

\$8.48 B in Capital Raised by 265 USOs - ***** Top 6 Universities in Canada to 2012



Of 1,394 USOs and 250 USSOs in Canada to 2014, **486 had raised \$14.4 B** from VCs, IPOs, RTOs , and follow-on financing – aver \$30 M each. DC 2015 Jan

\$9.9 B Capital Raised by 134 of 151 Public USOs

IPO / RTO	#	\$	Ave / USO	VC & Pplcmnt	Total	Ave / USO
IPO	83	\$2,159 M	\$26.6 M	\$5,326 M	\$7,485 M	\$92.4 M
RTO /Cap Stock	51	\$145 M	\$3.7 M	\$2,146 M	\$2,327 M	\$47.5 M
Sub-total	134	\$2,304 M		\$7,634 M	\$9,938 M	\$74.2 M

IPO / RTO 85 No info	-	\$2,871 M	\$2,871 M	\$33.8 M
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- 1. USOs with IPOs raise much more capital than USOs with RTOs / Cap Stocks.
- 2. RTO provides quicker / easier access to public market but in long term provide lower benefits.
- 3. Surprising to find that IPO valuations for Gazelles only 4% higher.
- 4. 2008 2011 VC study showed technical firms raise **50% more than USOs**.

9 USOs have High Levels of Exports

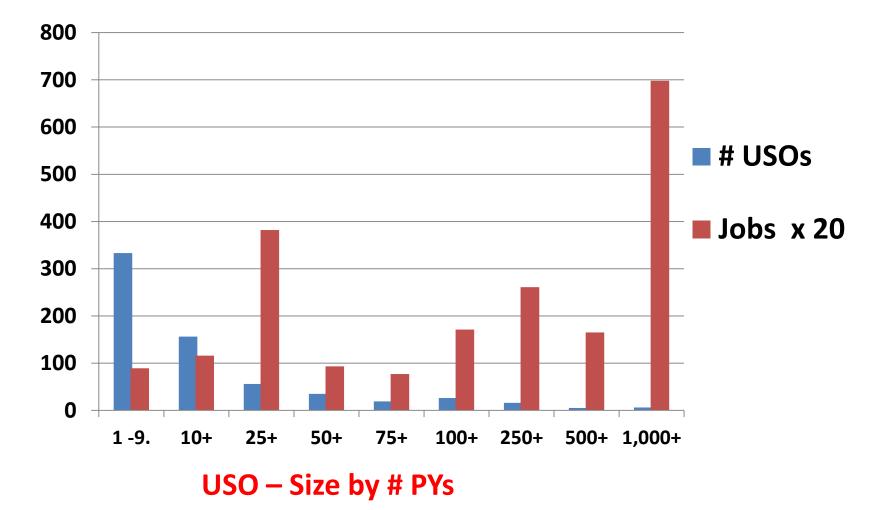
Year	USO	Sector	Total \$M Sales	% Can Exports
2011	Computer Modeling	ICT	82.4	42%
2011	MDA, BC	ICT	761	68%
2008	NTI Newmerical	ICT	756	96%
2011	Open Text, ON	ICT	1,033	92%
2011	QLT, BC	Pharma	42.4	99%
2010	Hydrogenics, BC	Energy	20.9	99%
2004	Zenon Enviro, ON	Enviro	238	82%
2010	International Road Dynamics, MN	Eng	44.5	82%
2008	Virtek, ON	Eng	25	92%
	Subtotal - 9 USOs		3,003	85%

1. % Exports here cannot be extrapolated to all USOs.

- 2. High exports do not link to increased profits !
- 3. Few SEDAR reports cover Exports.



11 USOs Produce 50% of Jobs in Latest Year to 2009 - 2013



Lag Years to 1st Profit / Eliminate Accumulated Deficits

Sector	USOs	Avrg Yrs to 1 st Profit	USOs	Avrg Yrs to No Deficit
Bio / Pharma	6	10	2	5 - 27
ICT	7	12	6	17
Total	22	11 av	16	16

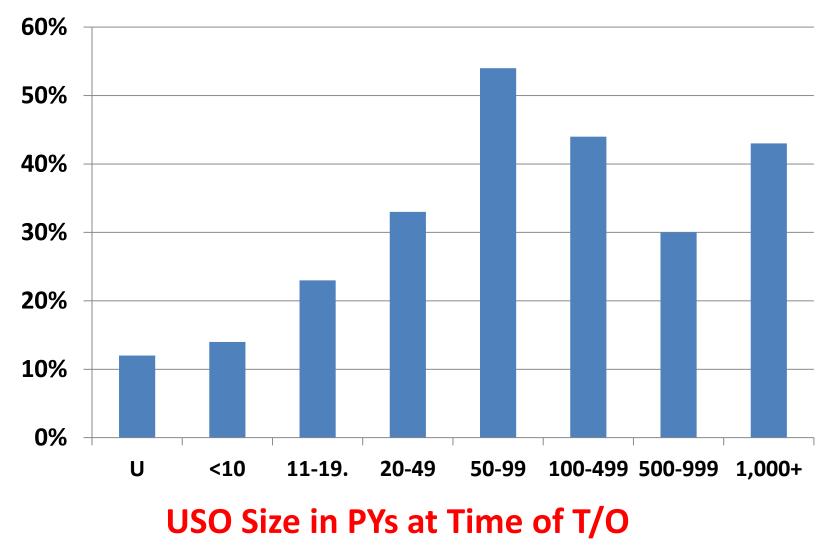
Public company USOs only

Lag Times for Gazelles vs Non-Gazelles to Reach \$10 M and \$100 M Sales to 2011

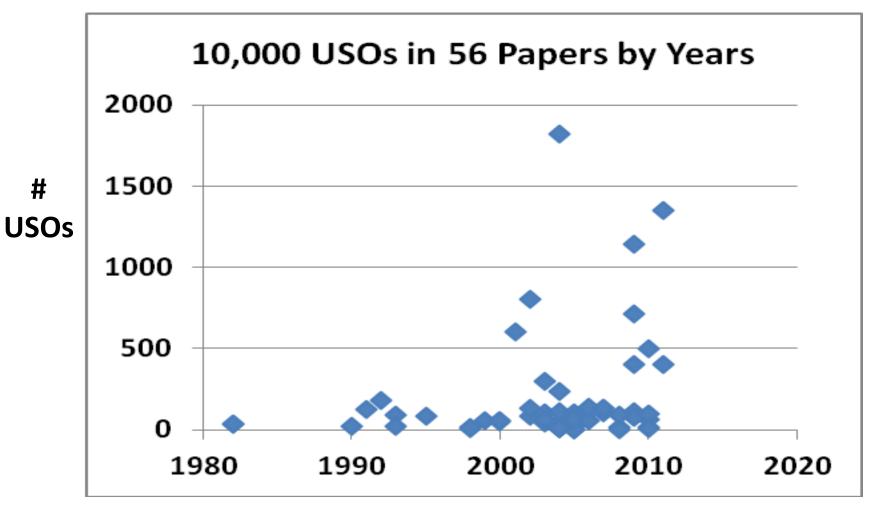
# USOs	62 Gazelles	32 Non Gazelles	9 Gazelles	
Inc Period	Avrg Yrs to Reach \$10 M Sales	Avrg Yrs to Reach <mark>\$10 M</mark> Sales	Avrg Yrs to Reach <mark>\$100 M</mark> Sales	
1960s	29	17	28	Connaught, MDA
1970s	20	31.5		Connaught, MDA
1980s	15.4	17.1	17.4	Dalsa, Vecima, QLT
1990s	8.5	15	16	
2000s	6	8		Innova, Open Text, Algorithmics



% of 281 Takeovers by USO Size to 2011

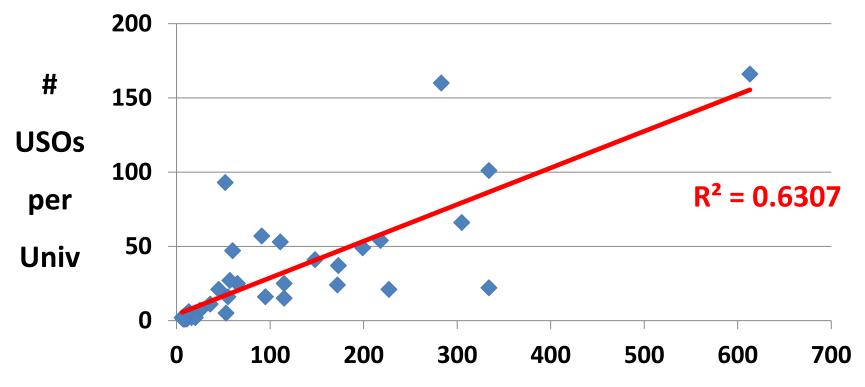


Increasing Sample Size of USOs in Impact Studies



Year of Study / Report

Average Research Factor for 2000 & 2007 vs # USOs [1,193] from 40 Universities



\$ M Ave Research Expenditures / Yr

- Res. Factor = Avrg R&D Expenditure 2000 & 2007 - Source Re\$earch Money.

- 2 Universities well above trend line: UBC and SFU.

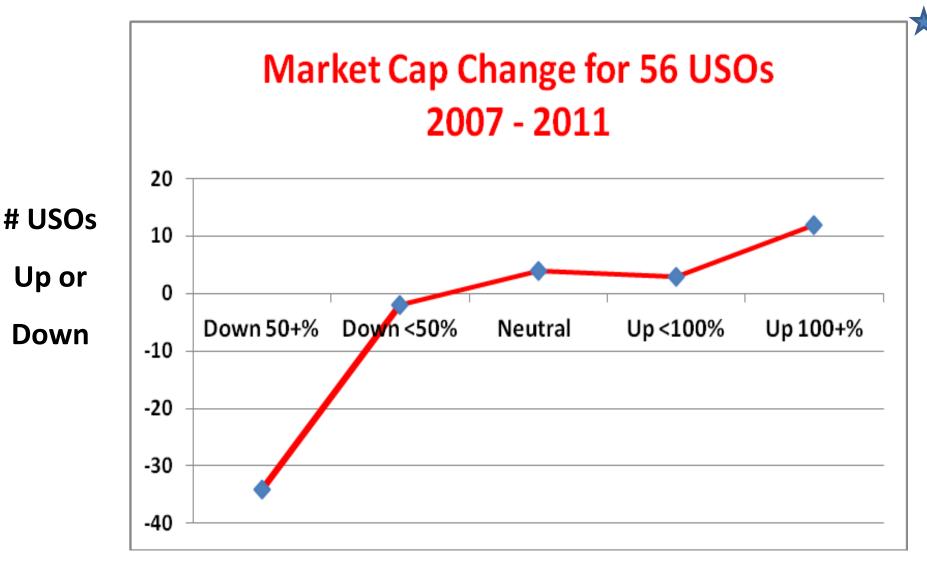
Sales by 5 Groups of USOs for 2012



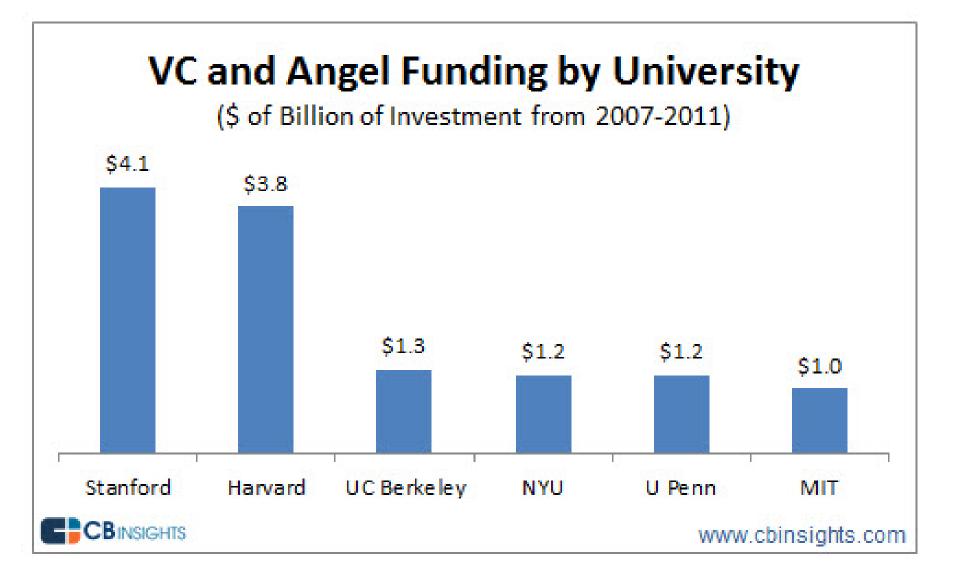
Size Group : Sales	\$ M Sales	USOs	Aver \$ / USO
\$1 B+	\$1,200 *	1	\$1,200 M
\$100 M+	\$1,611	7	\$230 M
\$50 M+	\$740	11	\$67 M
\$10 M+	\$1,035	38	\$27 M
<\$10 M	\$338	273	\$1.2 M
Total	\$4,924	330	\$15 M

5% of USOs provide 72% of Sales for year 2012.

* Open Text, accumulated sales \$10.8 B.
MDA dropped to \$892 M in 2012 - accumulated sales of \$11.4 B.



Public Firms only. QLT dropped from peak of \$115 / shr in 2000 to \$4 / share in 2014 Dec. Similar curve for 119 bio / pharma firms.



http://www.cbinsights.com/blog/venture-capital/university-entrepreneurship-report 2012 Oct Total \$12.6 B US for an average of \$21 M US / firm.