



# Accessing New Technologies in Government Research Centres

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## Why access technology from a governmental lab?

- The available technology may be unique
- Aware of prior experience that the lab has in this field
- Falls within the area of expertise present at this lab
- The location of the lab is close to your operations
- Availability of a funding program



## Different methods to access technology (1)

- License available technologies
- Make use of a unique capability, e.g. specialized analysis
- Develop a technology in collaboration with the Centre

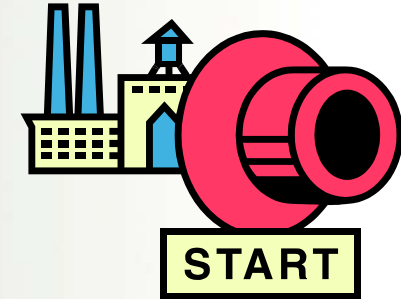


## Different methods to access technology (2)

- Sponsor a Post Doctoral Fellow to work on a project within the Centre, possible NSERC funding is available for this.
- Work as a Post Doctoral Fellow or visiting scientist in the Centre
- Second a government scientist to your company



## How to start



- Speak with your IRAP Industrial Technology Advisor
- Review the scientific and trade literature
- Discuss with colleagues, professional and academic
- Speak with the Government Business Development Officers
- Speak with the researchers



## What to pay attention to



- Need to align with the priorities of the department, branch, division...
- Legal agreements
- Differences in timing and priorities
- Changes in priorities of the department, branch...
- Changes in personnel
- Obligations under the *Public Servants Invention Act*.



# Government Information Sources

- Departmental web sites
- Libraries, either departmental or CISTI (Canada Institute for Scientific and Technical Information)
- IRAP
- Industry Canada







## Cost



- Not for free!
- Depending on the interest, may be opportunities for cost or task sharing
- Possibility of getting funding from various programs.
- For routine testing, cost recovery



# Examples of government technology

- Insect viruses with BioForest
- Luminoc<sup>®</sup> and Multipher<sup>®</sup>
- Remote sensing software with CLC-Camint, now ICTrees



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- Insect viruses with Forest Protection Limited



# Summary



- Government research centres do have technology available, but you are best to be involved in the development
- There are many ways to access the technology
- Government research centres are bound by pieces of legislation
- Many sources of information are available
- Both parties need to show flexibility



## Questions?

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