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## BIOASTER at a Glance



Created in 2012, BIOASTER is a **Technological Research Institute** dedicated to **Microbiology** and **Infectious Diseases**



BIOASTER is a private **non-for-profit** Foundation for Scientific Cooperation



BIOASTER promotes **Translational Research** between academia knowledge and industrial needs



BIOASTER builds national or international **Research Programs** by associating **public and private partners and funding**



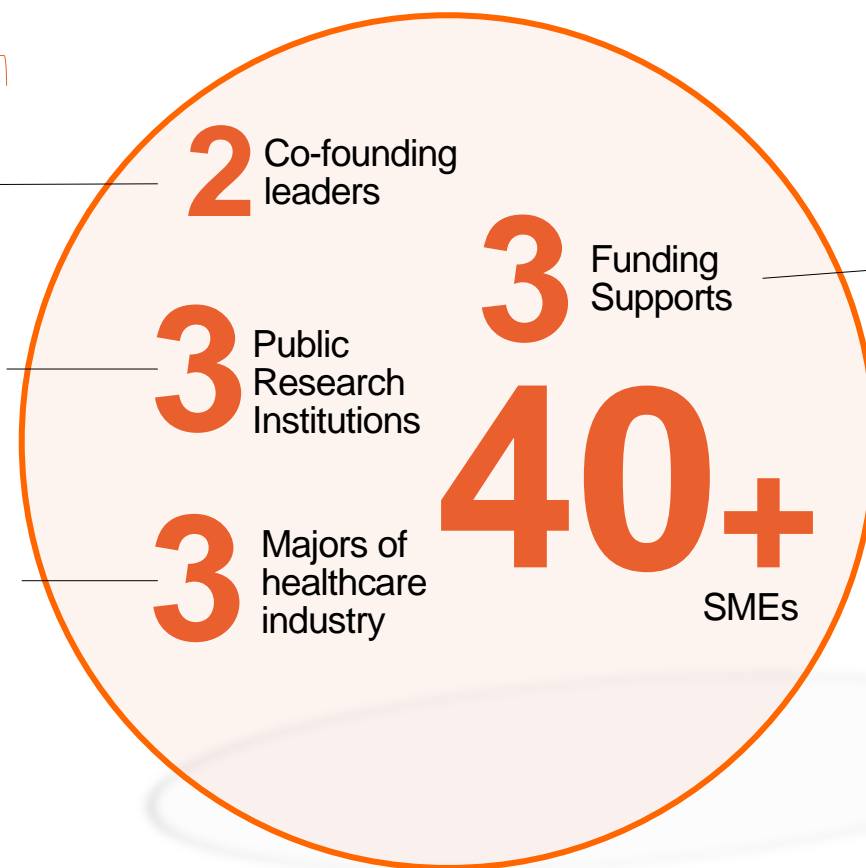
BIOASTER leads and **co-funds Technological Research Programs** that are of **high medical, technological and economical added-value**



# Built on Solid Foundations

More than a Century of Excellence

## BIOASTER Founders





## 2 sites in France, 120+ People



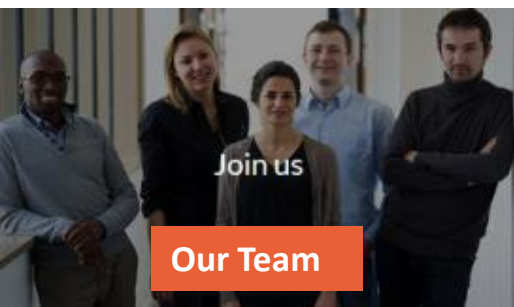
### **BIOASTER Lyon (Headquarters, 3600 m<sup>2</sup>)**

- BSL2 & BSL3 Laboratories
- Access to the largest BSL4 in Europe
- Dedicated collaborative spaces



### **BIOASTER Paris (Institut Pasteur Campus, 600 m<sup>2</sup>)**

- BSL2 Laboratories
- Dedicated collaborative spaces

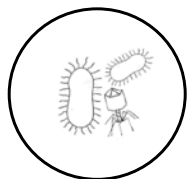


### **120+ people**

- Origins: 60% private, 40% academic
- 70% of PhD & Bac+5 (international curriculum)
- 17 citizenships: Europe, Asia, Africa, Americas



## An integrated approach 4 Programs & 7 Technological Units



### MICROBIOTA

1. Exploration: microbiote composition, host-microbiota interactions
2. Development: protocols and methods, industrial applications
3. Validation: predictive models & clinical studies set-up



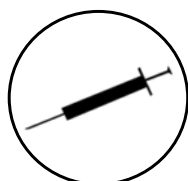
### DIAGNOSTIC

1. Biomarkers: new markers identification, candidate markers/panels evaluation, signature refinement
2. Assay development: sample preparation, prototypes development and validation (performances, repeatability and robustness)
3. Sample collection: clinical network management, biological specimens and ethical constraints



### ANTIMICROBIALS

1. Identification & characterization of new drugs
2. Host-pathogens & host-drugs interactions
3. Support to alternative approaches



### VACCINES

1. Healthy vs sick population biomarker identification
2. New vaccines/adjuvants mode of actions
3. Production and quality control development

### 7 Technological Units

*(industrial standards)*

● Biological Collections  
& Microbiology

● Genomics &  
Transcriptomics

● Metabolomics  
& Proteomics

● Immunomonitoring

● Expression systems  
proteins engineering

● Pre-clinical models  
& Imaging

● Data Management  
& Analysis





## Technology units - overview

### ★ BIOLOGICAL COLLECTIONS & MICROBIOLOGY

- Single point of access to biological samples (<https://biospecimens.bioaster.org/>)
- Isolation and extensive characterization of microbiological strains
- Sample prep for gut microbiota analysis

### ★ GENOMICS & TRANSCRIPTOMICS

- Microbial genomics (*de novo*, resequencing); metagenomics (target, WGS), transcriptomics (host/pathogen, mode of action),
- *NGS, microarrays, HT validation systems, qPCR, dPCR, pre-analytical steps automation*

### ★ METABOLOMICS & PROTEOMICS

- Integrated metabolome / metaproteome analysis. Profiling, fingerprinting, fluxomics, targeted analysis, lipidomics etc.
- *600 MHz NMR, high resolution mass spectrometry, pre-analytical automation, chemometrics & bioinformatics*

### ★ IMMUNOMONITORING

- Biomarker discovery and monitoring.
- Custom assay development
- *Flow, mass, image cytometry, fluorospot, Luminex, microfluidics, sample processing*

### ★ PROTEIN & EXPRESSION SYSTEM ENGINEERING

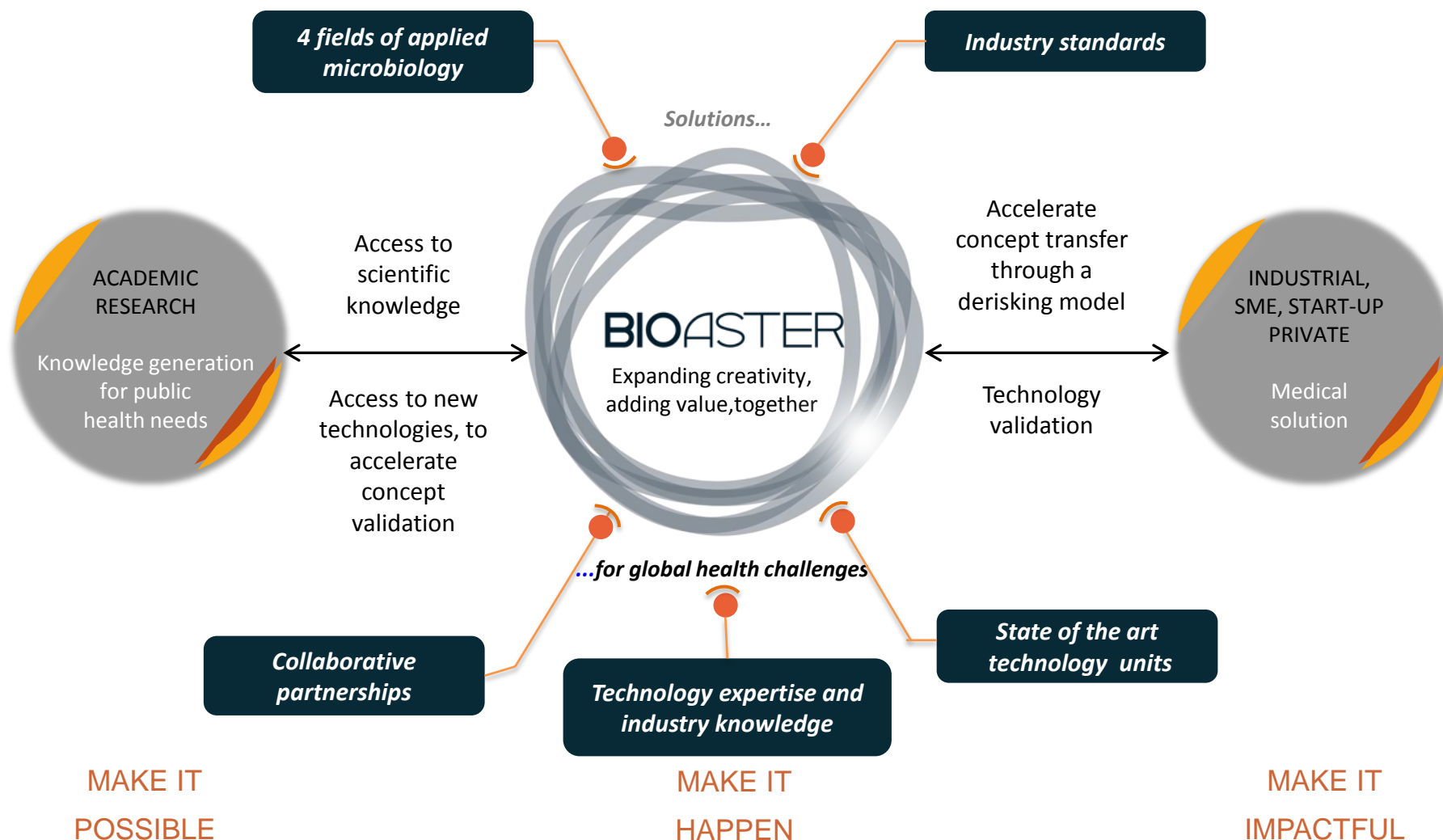
- Novel tools for biotherapeutics and diagnostics
- *Protein design, vectorization tools, host optimization and new host discovery, multimers, VLP, scaffolds, antibody engineering*

### ★ PRE-CLINICAL MODELS & IMAGING

- Specific microbiota & infectious-based models
- *Gnotobiology, host-microbiota interactions, infectious diseases, cell and molecular biology in vivo and 2D/3D imaging and biodistribution*

### ★ DATA MANAGEMENT & ANALYSIS

- Management, transversal analysis and integration of clinical, phenotypic and multi-omic experimental data
- *Massive data storage and intensive computing (Cloud-based HPC, Grid-computing), collaborative platforms (LIMS, eCRF, bioinformatics web platforms, transSMART...), integrated knowledge management*





## De-risking innovation

Expanding Creativity, Adding Value, together



### Scientific de-risking

Through the combination of academic and industrial expertise in science, technology and development



### Technological de-risking

Through the combination of state of the art equipment operated under industry standards



### Financial de-risking

Through co-investment (project-by-project basis)

**Number  
of projects**



**53**

**Academic &  
clinical partners**



**25**

**Industrial partners**



**26**

**Average project  
budget (M€)**



**1**

**Average project  
duration (years)**



**3**





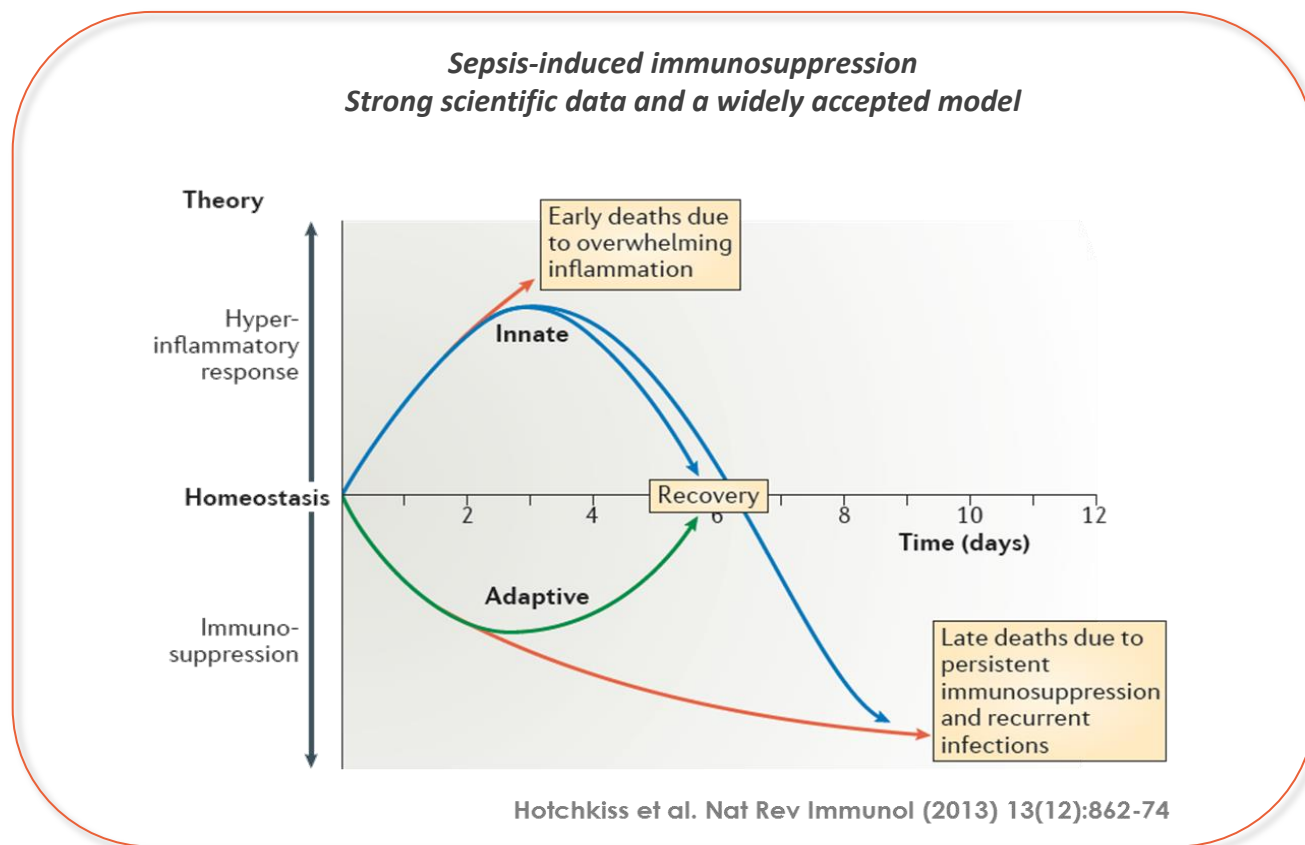
Projects  
*Examples*



## REALISM

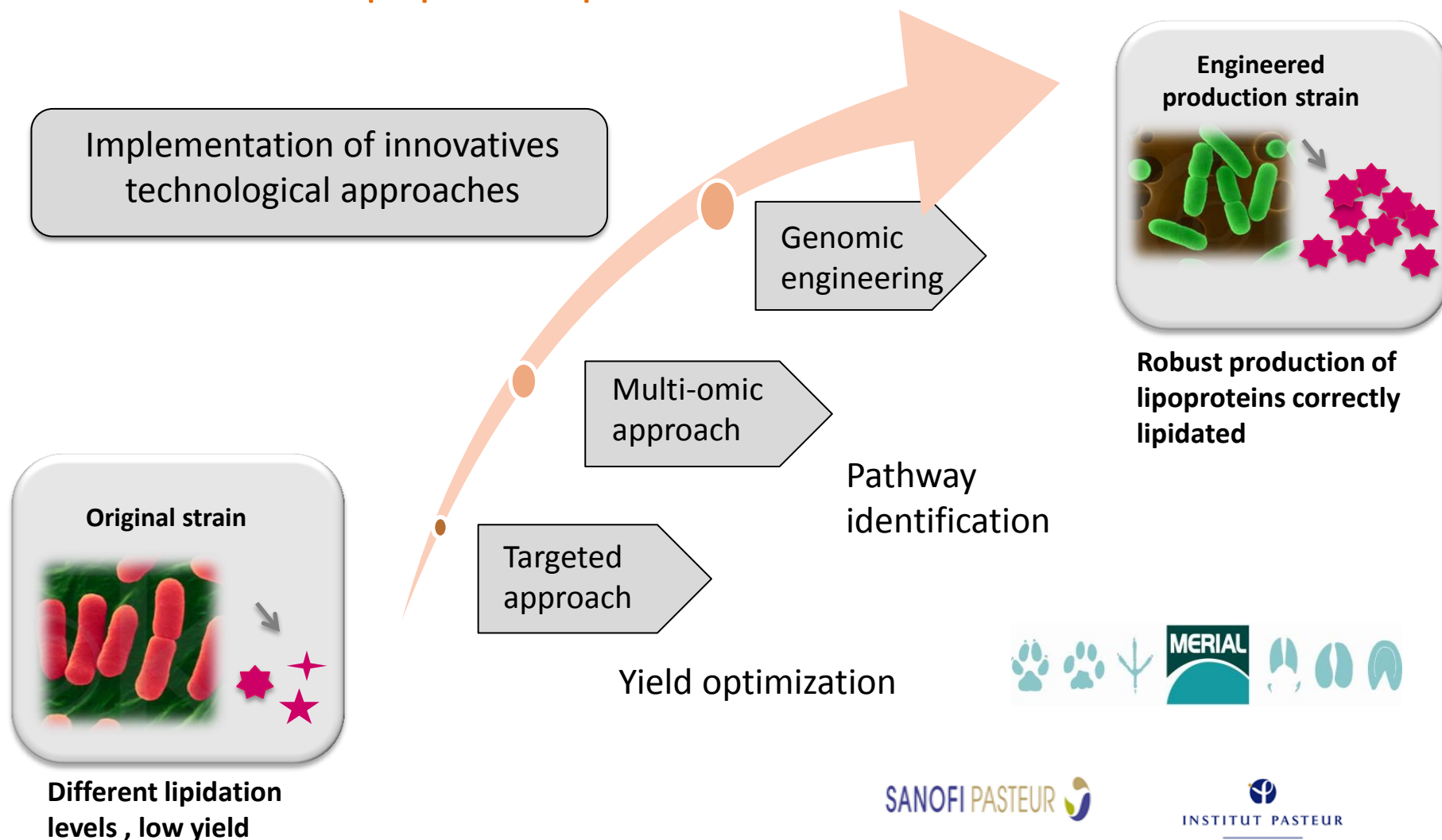
### REAnimation Low Immune Status Markers

- Monitor the immuno-inflammatory status of ICU patients and provide new innovative biomarkers for Infectious risk assessment and new therapeutic approaches





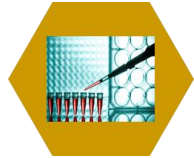
## Strain engineering for the optimization of recombinant lipoprotein production





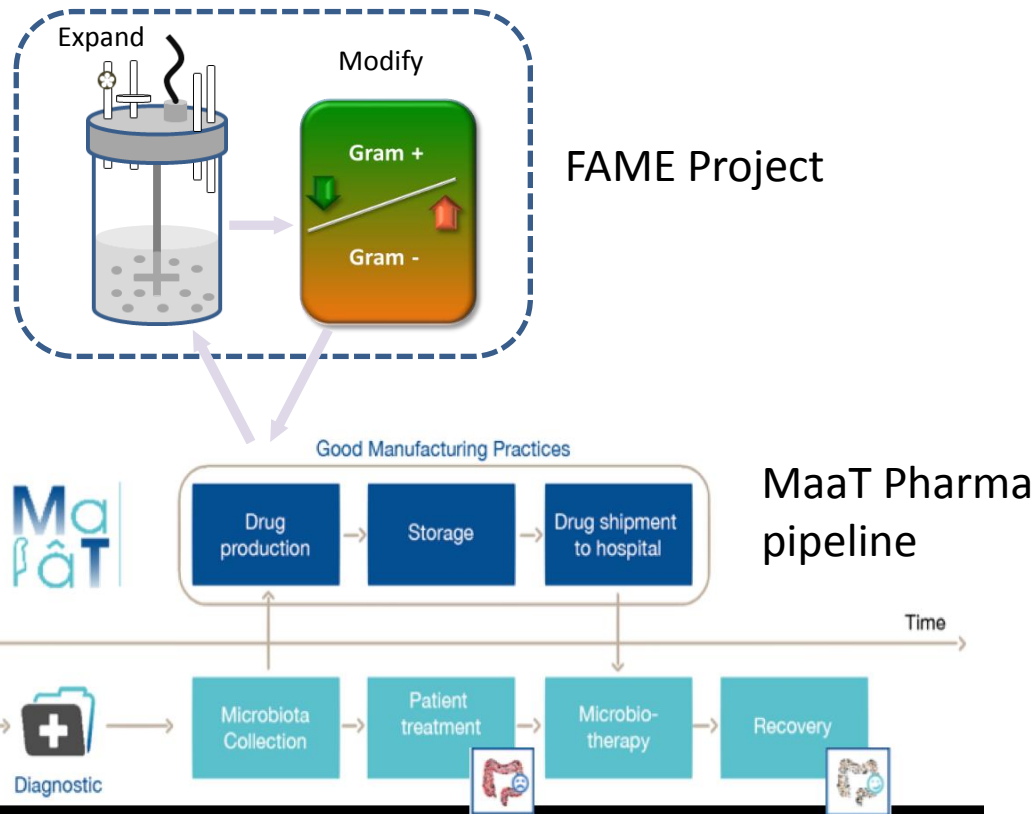
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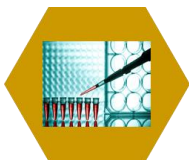
Goal : to develop in vitro fecal microbiota expansion for therapeutic applications



Two main objectives of the project are:

- *In vitro* expansion of the intestinal microbiota, preserving initial composition
- *In vitro* controlled modification of microbiota, targeting optimal composition





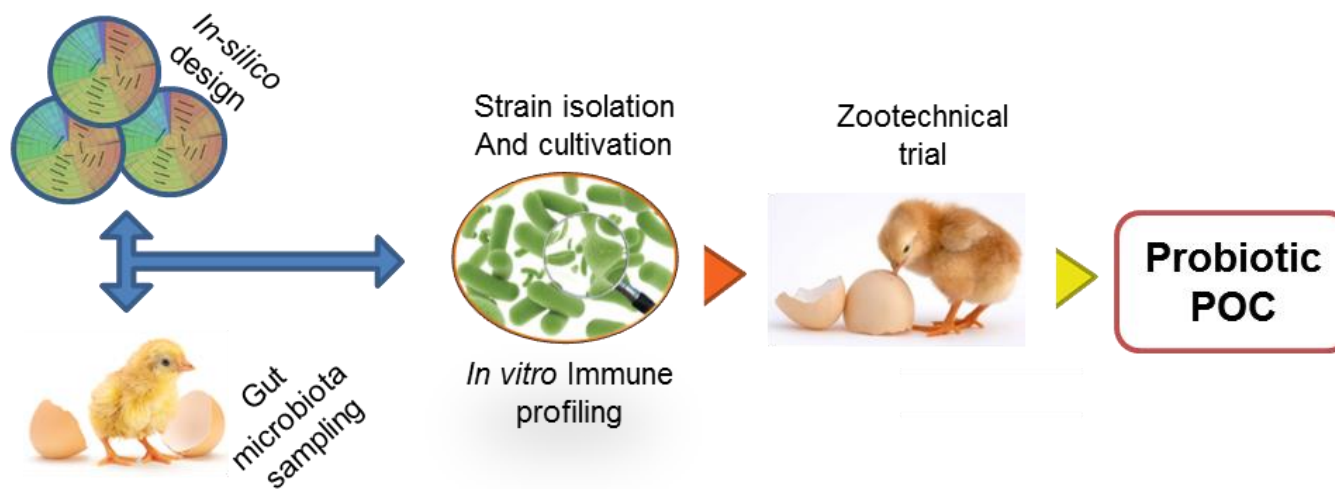
« Prochick »,

Goal : to develop new probiotic strains for chicken health

- Identification and selection of existing or new strains of probiotics for chicken growth / health improvement in the first week of life.
- In vitro characterization of the newly identified strains and clinical Proof of Concept (POC) in chickens.

### Synopsis of PROCHICK

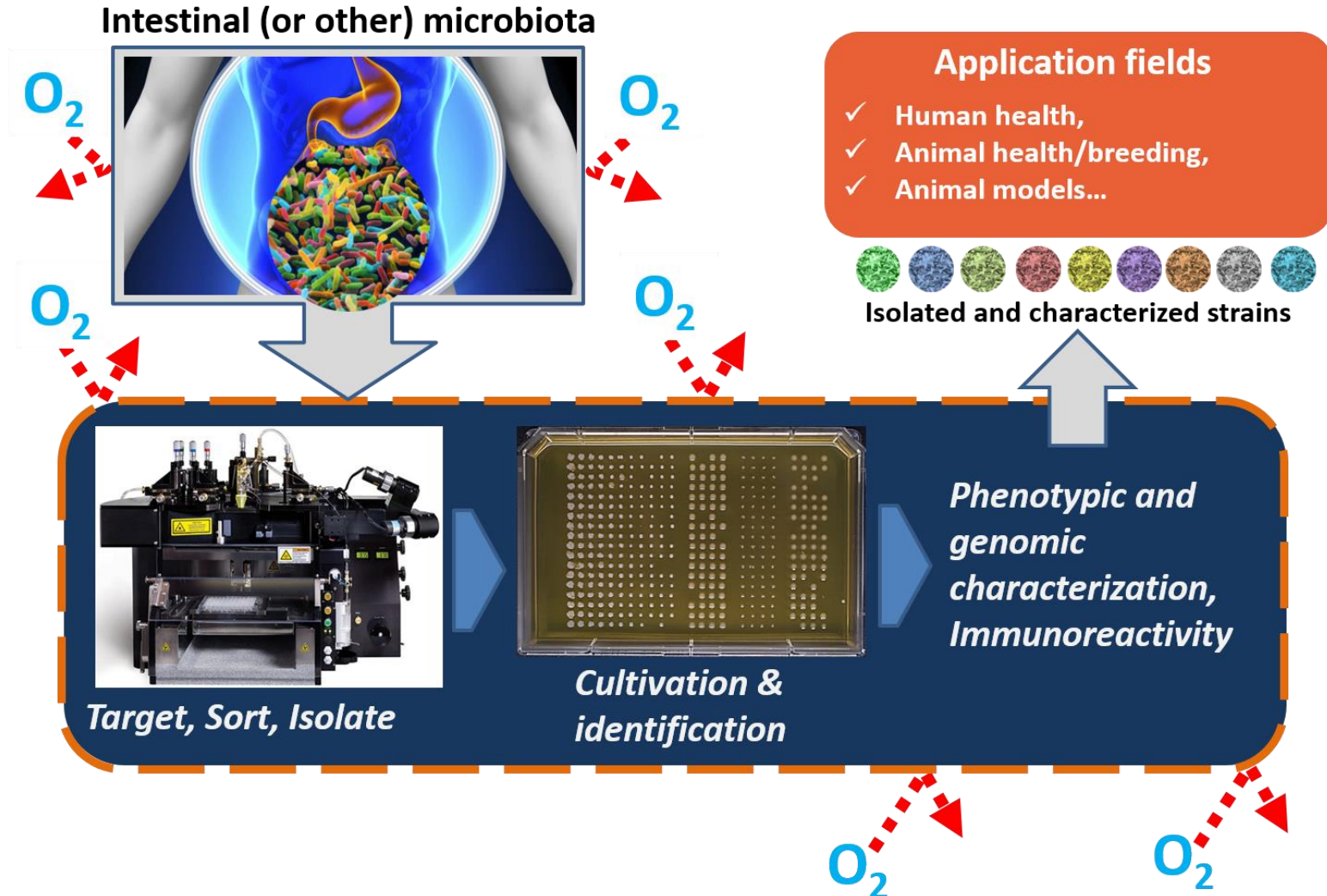
A novel approach to design a new probiotic live product to improve chicken health







# Anoxic Platform





## EBODIAG

*an EBOLA Diagnostic Point Of Care test*

- Define a sensitive immunochromatographic (lateral flow) rapid test to diagnose Ebola infection in endemic countries.



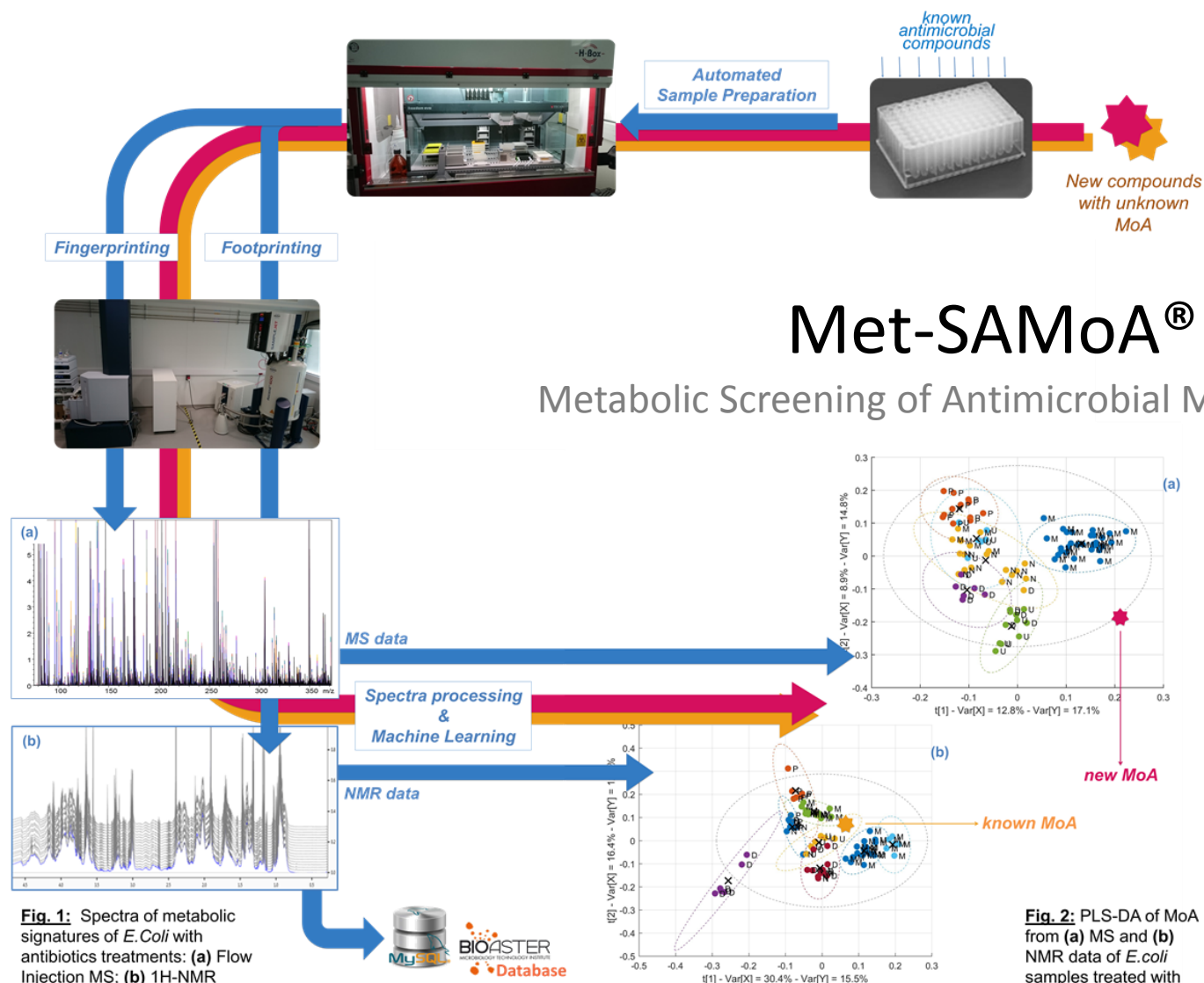
*Ultrasensitive diagnostic test  
of Ebola Haemorrhagic Fever.*



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# **immunotherapies** for **infectious Diseases**

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1<sup>st</sup> edition : mAbs for infectious diseases

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