

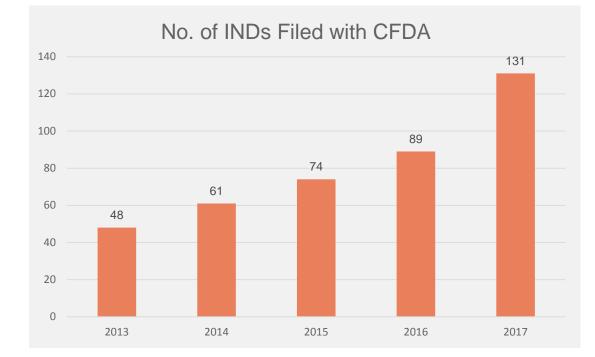
Innovative Pharmaceutical R&D in China: Status and Trends

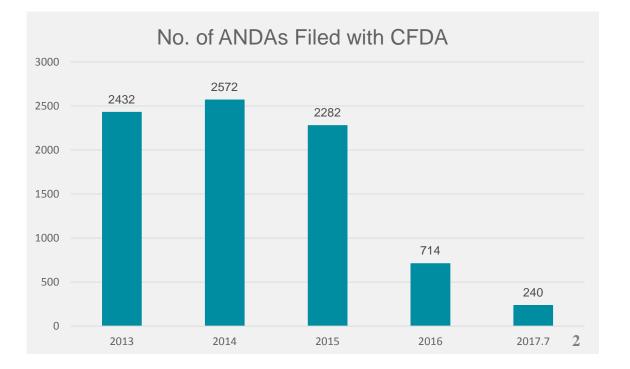
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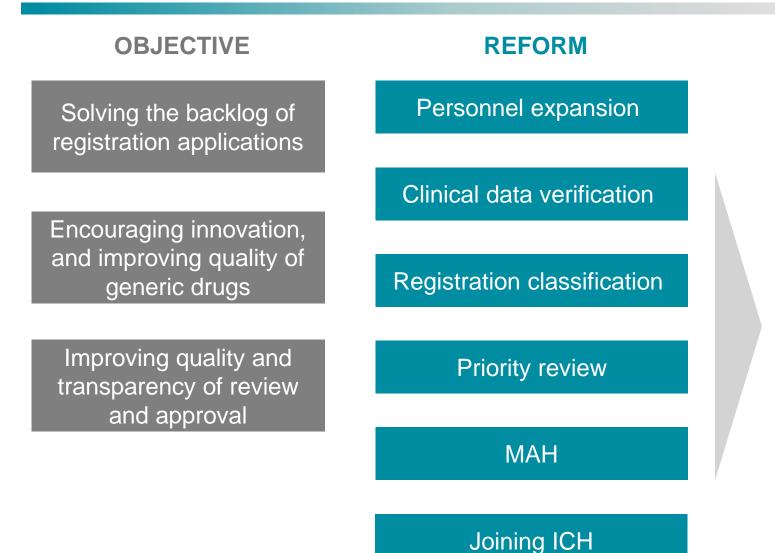
### **Innovative R&D Boom**

- Robust public and private funding
- Smoothed investment exit pathway, including new Hong Kong IPO market for biotechs
- Increasing start-up activity
- CFDA regulatory reform
- A diverse talent pool and well-developed infrastructure





# **Recent CFDA Regulatory Reform**



### ACHIEVEMENT

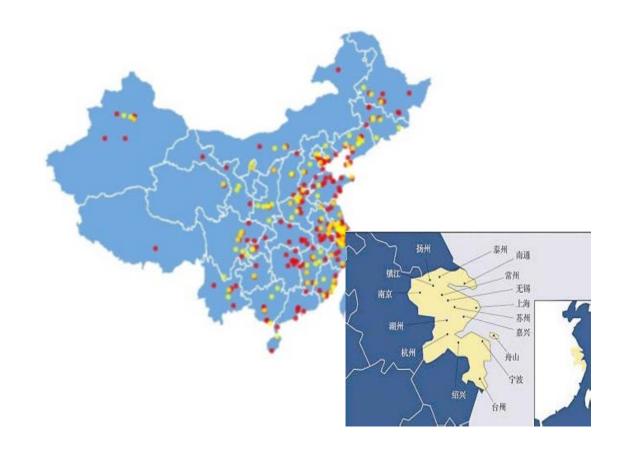
- Dramatical change in the numbers of INDs and ANDAs filed with CFDA
- 40 NDA approvals in 2017, compared to 9 in 2016
- Accelerated regulatory approvals for innovative drugs, targeting no delay versus US/EU
- Priority review and accelerated regulatory approvals (e.g. NDA review time for AstraZeneca's Osimertinib was 1.5 months, compared to previous average timeline of 5.3 years)

### **Distribution of Innovative R&D**

### **Domestic Public Pharmas**



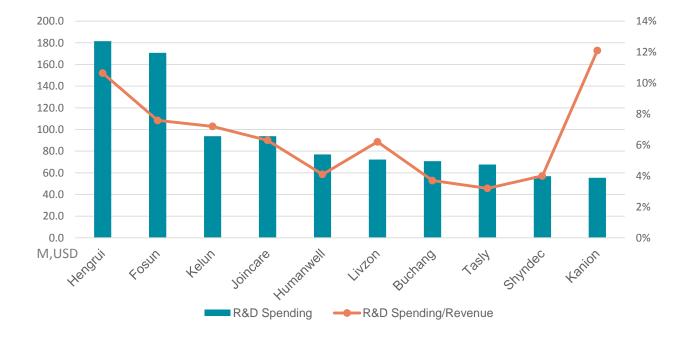
### **Biomedical Science Parks (~500)**



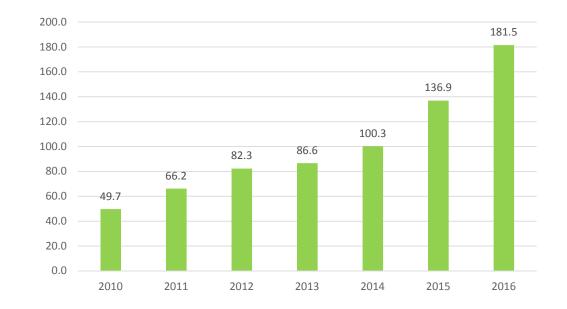
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## **Growing R&D Spending by Large Domestic Pharmas**

#### R&D Spending of the TOP 10 Domestic Public Pharmas in 2016



#### R&D Spending of HengRui since 2010 (M, USD)



# **bioBay: A Best Pharmaceutical Innovation Cluster**

- Within bioBay located in SIP (Suzhou Industrial Park, a district of Suzhou City), there are 437 resident companies (as of March, 2018)
- Total INDs approved by CFDA
  - 61 Small molecule drugs
  - 20 Biologics
- Total medical device certificates obtained
  - 34 Manufacturing certificates
  - 256 Product registrations
  - 15 CE certifications
  - 1600+ Invention patents



SIP: There are >1,000 companies

# **Emerging Leading Service Providers**





- An integrated service provider for discovery, development and manufacturing of biologics
- FDA-approved commercial manufacturing
- Partners including 13 of the TOP 20 MNCs
- Listed on Hong Kong in June 2017; Market value: >10 billion USD



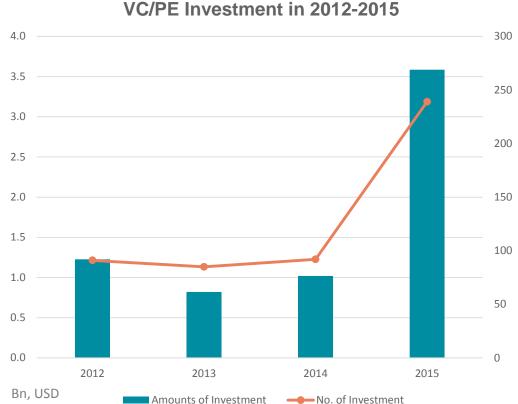
- DNA-encoded library technology for small molecule drug discovery
- Partners including MSD, Pfizer, J&J, Boehringer Ingelheim, Takeda, etc.

### **2017 Life Science Investment**

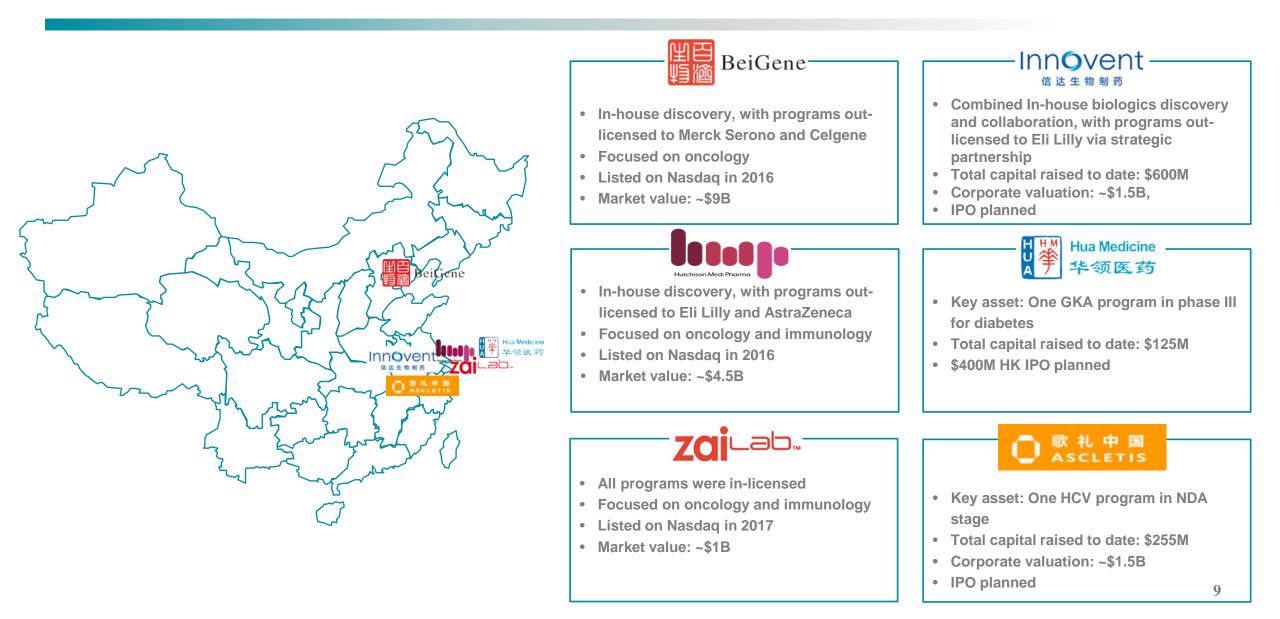
### • Key numbers in 2017 vs 2016:

- New VC/PE funds raised doubled to \$40B
- VC investment doubled to \$12B
- Partnering deals doubled to \$8B
- M&A activity tripled to \$65B
- IPOs record 53 IPOs raising \$5B

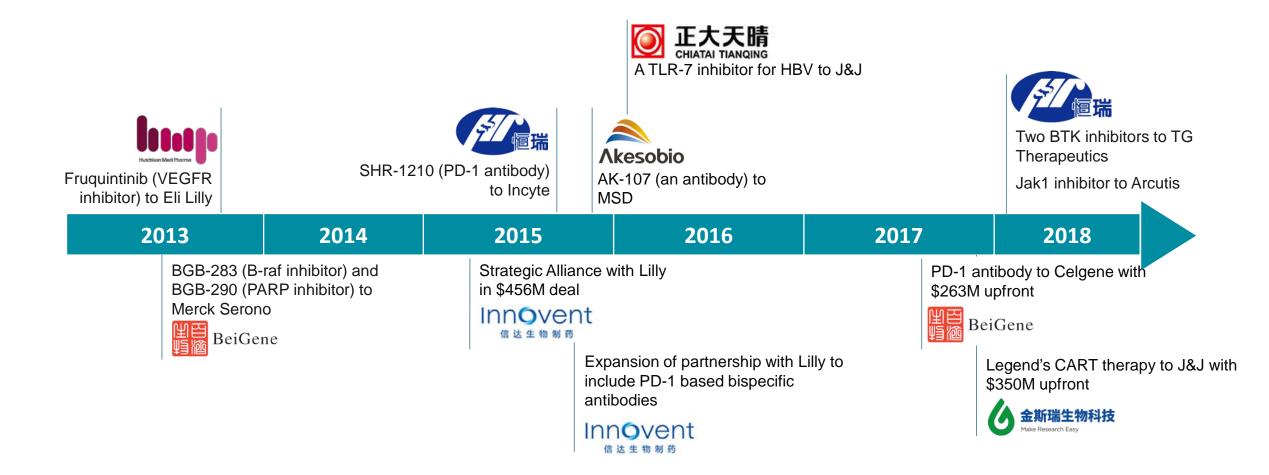
### These numbers were close to those in US Bn, US



# **Emerging Leading Biotech Companies**



### "China Innovations" Out-licensed to Western Companies



# Hong Kong IPO: A New Booster for China Biotechs

IPO on Hong Kong Stock Exchange has become possible for pre-profit or pre-revenue biotech companies

### **Principles Underlying Biotech Issuer Suitability**



#### Product regulated by Competent Authority

- US Food and Drug Administration (FDA), China Food and Drug Administration (CFDA), European Medicines Agency (EMA)
- · Other authorities will be considered on a case-by-case basis

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#### Past concept stage

- · Completed Phase I and received no objection to commence Phase II (or later)
- Product subject to human testing



#### Meaningful investment from at least one Sophisticated Investor

· To provide a level of validation from an experienced third party investor

### **Proposed Listing Eligibility**

- SUITABILITY FOR LISTING -

PRODUCT At least one Core Product<sup>(1)</sup> beyond concept stage

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT Primarily engaged in R&D of its Core Product(s) for a minimum of 12 months

#### IPO

Primary reason for listing is to raise capital for R&D to bring its Core Product(s) to commercialisation

#### PATENTS

Durable patent(s), registered patent(s), patent application(s) and/or intellectual property in relation to its Core Product(s)

#### SOPHISTICATED INVESTOR<sup>(2)</sup>

Meaningful investment<sup>(3)</sup> for at least 6 months before IPO (which must remain at IPO)

#### Specific guidance for Biotech Issuers

#### Pharmaceutical (small molecule drugs)

- completed Phase I or, for previously approved products (e.g. FDA's 505(b)(2)) – at least one trial on human subjects; and
- no objection to commence Phase II

#### Biologics

- completed Phase I, or for biosimilar at least one trial on human subjects; and
- no objection to commence Phase II (or later)

#### Medical Devices (including diagnostics)

- Class II medical device (or equivalent) or above;
- at least one trial on human subjects;
- endorsed or no objection to proceed to further clinical trials or commence sales of the device

#### Other Biotech Products

- will be considered on a case-by-case basis;
- need to demonstrate it is beyond concept stage;
   appropriate framework or objective indicator for investors to make an informed investment decision

- Chinese biotech companies targeting Hong Kong IPO:
  - Announced: Hua Medicine, Ascletis, Henlius (Fosun's biotech arm), Shanghai Tasly (Tasly's biopharma unit), Innovent
  - Many others are considering

# **Overview of Suzhou Yabao Pharmaceutical R&D Company**

FACTS



Suzhou Yabao is located in Suzhou bioBAY, half hour from Shanghai by train, which is globally recognized as a best pharmaceutical innovation cluster in China

- Founded in 2014 as an innovative R&Dfocused subsidiary of Yabao Pharmaceutical Group
- A clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company
  - Strong capabilities for pharmaceutical R&D and international collaboration

- To develop transformative medicines
- Collaboration-based
- Leveraging "China Advantages"

# MISSION & STRATEGY

### **Our Achievements Over Last 3 Years**

| International Collaboration  | Pipeline  | <b>Development Expertise</b>  |  |
|--|---|---|--|
| <ul> <li>A total of 8 license deals signed, possibly as many as any company did in China over last 3 years</li> <li>Collaborations established with multinational pharma company (Eli Lilly), world-leading organization (MRC Technology, UK), and first class academic labs (UBC, Lawson Institute, and University of South Australia)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>A pipeline of 9 drug candidates: 2 in<br/>Phase I, 2 INDs filed, and 1 IND<br/>being filed</li> <li>All being first-in-class or best-in-<br/>class on new targets</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Management team with rich and full pharmaceutical R&amp;D experience in both US and China</li> <li>China IND track record: completing tech transfer and CFDA IND-filing package within 10 months (new CFDA policies should further expedite this process)</li> </ul> |  |

### **Near-term Strategic Plans**

**To collaborate with external investors, we are in a process of spinning-off Suzhou Yabao** 

- Continuing to enhance our pipeline through collaboration and leveraging "China Advantages" to accelerate drug approval and maximize China market potential
- Leadership team expansion, including C-level executives with Western clinical development, business development and management experience
- Implementing global development strategy and initiating clinical development in US/Australia

### **Our Team**



### Dr. Peng Wang, Founder, President and CEO

- **1990**, Ph.D. in Biochemistry from the University of Tokyo, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences
- **1990 2008**, Allergy/Immunology/Inflammation, Schering-Plough, Research Fellow
  - Major contribution to discovery and early development of 9 development candidates
- 2008 2009, WuXi AppTech, Corporate VP and Head of Discovery Biology
  - Business development: established collaboration on >30 projects with >10 Western companies
- **2009 2013, Simcere Pharmaceutical Group, Corporate VP and CSO** 
  - International collaboration: Major contribution to 5 deals (3 R&D, 1 import drug, and 1 commercial JV deal)
  - Innovative R&D in China: 7 INDs approved, with the most advanced program in NDA filing and completing a phase 1 in Australia
- **2013 2017, Yabao Pharmaceutical Group, President of R&D and CEO of Suzhou Yabao** 
  - International collaboration: 11 deals signed (including 8 R&D, 1 import drug, and 2 development/manufacturing/commercialization deals)
  - Innovative R&D in China for global, with 2 INDs approved
- **2017** current, Yabao Pharmaceutical Group, CSO, and CEO of Suzhou Yabao
- **2015** current, Adjunct Professor at University of South Australia; 2017 current, AIMBE Fellow

# **Other Team Members (1/2)**

### Dr. Bing Yan, Chief Medical Officer

- MD in Clinical Endocrinology/Immunology from Shanghai JiaoTong University Medical School
- Post-doctoral Clinical Fellow (Endocrinology & Immunology) at Johns Hopkins Medical School (1992-1998)
- 16 Years clinical development experience with major pharma companies in US, including J&J (2000-2004) and Wyeth (2004-2009)
- Working in China for Wyeth then Pfizer since 2009, mostly as Vice President (since 2011)

### Dr. Lin Zhu, VP, Pharmacology, Toxicology and ADME/PK

- Ph.D. in Biotechnology from Tsinghua University
- Head of Pharmacology and Toxicology at Simcere Pharma Group (2008-2013)
- Led preclinical development and obtained IND approval of 9 innovative drug candidates

### Dr. Fei Zhang, VP, CMC Development

- Ph.D. from China Pharmaceutical University
- 12 years drug development experience at Simcere Pharma Group (2004-2016) with increasing responsibilities, including head of analytical development and head of CMC development
- Made significant contributions to 1 NDA approval and 8 other NCE programs to IND approval

### Dr. Yan Xia, Head of Medicinal Chemistry

- Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry from University of Pittsburgh, post-doctoral training at NIH
- Former Senior Principal Scientist with 21-year medicinal chemistry experience at Schering-Plough and Merck
- Major contributions to discovery and early development of 8 development candidates (including 1 launched)









## **Other Team Members (2/2)**

#### Dr. Yang Song, Director, Medicinal Chemistry

- Ph.D. from Tsinghua University
- 11 years experience in medicinal chemistry, including leading several lead optimization programs collaborated with MNCs

#### Mr. Yiqun Xu, Executive Director, Clinical Development

- MS from Southeast University
- Over 15 years experience in clinical development, including project management, clinical operation and monitoring, protocol development, etc.

#### Ms. Zhixin Wang, Director, Clinical Development

- MS from Capital Medical University
- 4 years experience as hospital physician and 8 years experience in managing clinical operation at multinational companies

#### Dr. Xiarui Dou, Chief Patent Counsel

- Ph.D. in Pharmacology from Beijing Traditional Chinese Medicine University; Certified lawyer and patent attorney
- 6 years patent experience with large pharma and 2 years with law firm

#### Dr. Zhongping Fu, Director, Biologics Development

- Ph.D. from Macao Science and Technology University
- 8 years experience in analytical development and quality control for biologics, including 3 therapeutic antibody programs (1 in phase I and other 2 filed as INDs)

#### Dr. Caixia Sun, Director, Clinical Development

- MD from Nanjing University
- 6 years experience in clinical development, including protocol design, clinical operation, medical support, etc.

#### Mr. Lei Yang, Director, Project Management

- MS from Zhongnan University
- 6 years experience in drug discovery and early development, former protein kinase team leader at Genscript and head of in vitro pharmacology and project manager (the BMS-Simcere collaboration program) at Simcere Pharma (2007-2011)

#### Ms. Weina Liu, Director, Business Development

- MS from China Pharmaceutical University
- 6 years business development experience and made contributions to 10 international collaboration deals

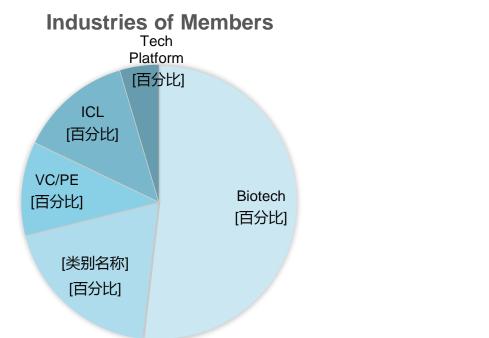
# **Our Pipeline**

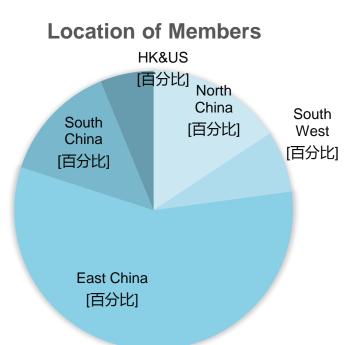
| Program   | Indication                  | Mechanism of Action                   | D | Р | IND | PI | Progress   | Partner                                       |
|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|-----|----|--|---|
| Metabolite Disease  |                             |                                       |   |   |     |    |  |   |
| SY-004  | Diabetes                    | Glucokinase activator                 |   |   |     |    | China phase lb on-going, four global<br>(including US) phase I studies completed | Eli Lilly                                     |
| SY-008  | Diabetes                    | SGLT1 inhibitor                       |   |   |     |    | China phase I initiated, one US phase I study completed                          | Eli Lilly                                     |
| SY-009  | Diabetes                    | SGLT1 inhibitor                       |   |   |     |    | China IND filed  | Eli Lilly                                     |
| CNS   |                             |                                       |   |   |     |    |  |   |
| SY-007  | Stroke                      | PTEN inhibitor                        |   |   |     |    | China IND filed, US IND filing planned   | A team at University of<br>British Columbia   |
| SY-006  | Parkinson's<br>disease      | Undisclosed                           |   |   |     |    | Lead optimization  | MRC Technology                                |
| Oncology and Autoimmune/Inflammation                              |                             |                                       |   |   |     |    |  |   |
| SY-003  | Oncology                    | PLK/PI3K/Ras inhibitor                |   |   |     |    | Preclinical development on-going   | Professor at University<br>of South Australia |
| SY-010  | Oncology                    | Undisclosed immuno-oncology<br>target |   |   |     |    | Lead optimization  | University of South<br>Australia              |
| SY-012  | Autoimmune/Infla<br>mmation | Antibody on undisclosed target        |   |   |     |    | Candidate discovery  | Undisclosed                                   |
| Other Areas   |                             |                                       |   |   |     |    |  |   |
| SY-005  | Sepsis                      | Recombinant human Annexin 5 protein   |   |   |     |    | IND to be filed in Q2 2018   | Lawson Health<br>Research Institute           |
| D = Discovery, P = Preclinical Development, PI = Phase I On-going |                             |                                       |   |   |     |    | On-going   |   |

# **Brief Introduction to New Drug Founders Club (1/2)**



- Founded in April 2015
- Members are FOUNDERS of companies focusing on innovative pharmaceutical R&D or providing relevant services
- Mission: To advance communication and collaboration among all founders of the relevant companies in China
- Currently there are 218 members





# **Brief Introduction to New Drug Founders Club (2/2)**

Club activities: annual conference, symposium, salon, member gethering, etc.



### How to Establish Drug Discovery Ecosystem in Asia?

- A key to establishing drug discovery ecosystem in Asia would be information exchange and learning
- China is emerging as a pharmaceutical innovation center in the world
- China industry will have more and more assets for license-out, and will need to licensein more and more assets
- A major challenge is the shortage of collaboration partnerships, resulting from shortage of information exchange and learning.
- **Everyone should learn harder to gain full information, and to correct misunderstanding**

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