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Why Independence, Impartiality and Confidentiality are crucial in IMMR vision?



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"WE WILL NOT BE ON THE IP AND WANT TO KEEP THIS LEVEL OF INDEPENDENCE"

Why is confidentiality so important? Because it is the only way to assure that your endeavors will be well protected, that your trade secrets will be in good hands, making sure that no one, from the cleaning operative all the way to the ethics committee and all study directors will keep your data private.

It is extremely important for us and it is fundamentally in our DNA. The fact that we do not belong to any hospital or other institution, gives us the freedom to serve your project and solely your project. We may well give you advice, call it consulting if you will, but it is not charged, it is part of the package and there are no strings attached. We will not be on the IP and want to keep this level of independence.

Our vision



We also have been asked many a time to be part of the scientific boards of the companies that work with us. We have always kindly declined the offer because we believe that this independence is something to cherish, both for us and for you as it is a strong statement of our impartiality. All our clients as well as notified bodies and regulatory agencies know it. It is not just reputation it is simply the truth.

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IMMR was founded 30 years ago in a surgical center near Paris. Enjoying considerable success thanks to world-class experts in surgery, IMMR moved to the brand-new hospital building of Institut Mutualiste Montsouris (IMM) in Paris, and became a private and completely independent research center, with the vision of thinking and acting for Science & Research.

Luc, could you tell us why independence and impartiality are so important?

At IMMR, we believe that being totally independent and impartial allows to offer the best services possible to our clients. Indeed, as active CEOs, R&D teams, investors, you are working on developing promising MedTech and BioTech innovations, taking up the challenge of significantly improve standard of care. So being able to give you a fair opinion or decision and remaining objective is crucial to help you to evaluate and develop your invention and bring it to First in Man.

How is this manifest in your daily work?

In practical terms, we strive to guide you through your preclinical studies choosing not to benefit from equity to avoid conflict of interest, or not to take part in scientific boards to garantee the impartiality of the data and conclusions of your study. We are also very strict with confidentiality procedures, our internal organization being implemented to avoid any data leakage. We have a securised computer system, we keep our records in locked cabinets, and we never speak about our clients' projects outside our lab.





Do you sometimes need external service providers?

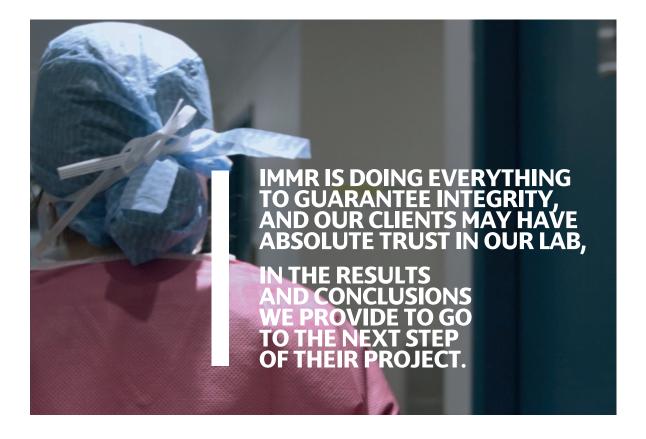
It may occur, but not for central issues. Indeed, our clients can count on:

Direct oversight and performance of procedures by experienced veterinary surgeons

A state-of-the-art facility with 5 operating rooms including 2 hybrid rooms, CT-Scan, intracardiac ultrasound, cardiopulmonary bypass, endoscopy and videoscopy towers...

So we never have to rent any equipment, and as a consequence, we never leave any confidential information in not controlled places. In-house pathology services that provide you with both gross and histologic evaluations promptly after procedures are completed. So we can offer integrated and comprehensive results.

A fully-equipped farm that allows IMMR veterinarians to provide exceptional animal husbandry and care and to perform sophisticated monitoring of the subjects. Thus, they are never in contact with animals that do not belong to our client's study.





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