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# Making Hospital Filmless- MDIS

## A case study of Triple Helix

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# Triple Helix

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Collaboration

Government, Industry and Academia

To Achieve Common Goods and Societal Benefits through  
Commercialization of Innovation

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Digital Imaging Network (DIN)

Medical Diagnostic Imaging Support (MDIS)

Picture Archiving and Communication System (PACS)

Image Management and Communication System (IMACS)



# Problem Definition

- Military Medical Treatment Facility
  - Large Field Hospitals
  - Huge Logistical Burden for Films and Chemical
- Diagnostic Imaging
  - Emerging Digital Imaging Systems
- Technology
  - Emerging Digital and Communication



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# Government-DoD Sets the Goal

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Filmless Hospital  
Any Images Any Where Any Time!

John Perry and Mike Sullivan



# Government Convenes

- Technology Survey- MITRE Corp.
- Feasibility Study
- Establishes Test-bed
  - Academia
    - Univ. of Washington and Georgetown Univ.
  - Industry
    - Philips Medical and AT&T
- Defines Functional Requirements
  - Large Scale System Engineering
  - Comprehensive Engineering Documentation



# Barriers within the Government

- Culture of “Bugs and Drugs”
- Emerging Digital Concept Challenged
- Lack of Internal Experts
- Gap: Research and Operational Community
  - No Clear Way to Bring Research Results into Operational Community





# Barriers within the Industry

- No Customers and No Market
- No Products and No Technology
- Conflicts between Business Domains
  - Old Analogue and Digital Business
  - Device/Supply vs. Network Business



# What is Network Business?

- Is this a medical business?
- What are we selling?
- Who should be in the business?
  - Device, Network, Bandwidth, Storage
- What is the product?
- Is this going to heart existing business?



# Barriers within the Research Community

- Biased toward Disease Research
- Network and Operational Research- Low Priority
- Component Based Research
- Departmental Focus
- Lack of Appreciation on the Enterprise Issues and Systems Engineering



# Government's Strategy

- Industry
  - Make it work - Engineering
  - Encourage the development of technical standards
- Academia
  - Make is useful. – Science
  - Facilitate the creation of community of interests
- Government
  - Promote Cultural Change- Real Time Radiology
  - Establish technology insertion point(s).



# Developments within the Government

- Visionary Leadership – Gen Russell
- Experts and Champions
  - Don Smith, MD and Mike Cawthon, MD
- Emerging Concept Validated
  - Desert Storm and Bosnia
  - Deployable Radiology (DEP-RAD)
- Technology Insertion
  - Tied to Hospital Construction Project
  - Tied to Core Mission: Combat Support





Deployable Radiology  
DEP-RAD  
Teleradiology  
CT and CR  
Two Years

Combat Support Hospital  
Bosnia  
Combat Support Hospital  
Hungary  
Lanstuhle Hospital  
Germany





## ● Macedonia: Quick Review of Medical Situation



● **Zagreb**  
60 Bed HOSP  
185 Medics  
Surgical Spec  
Ground Evac

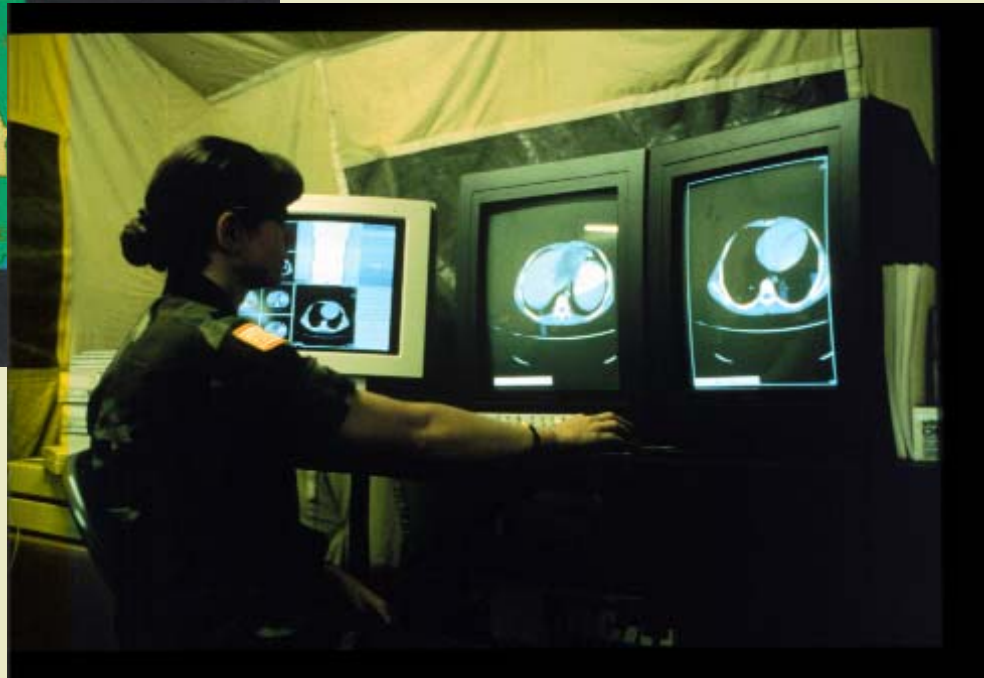
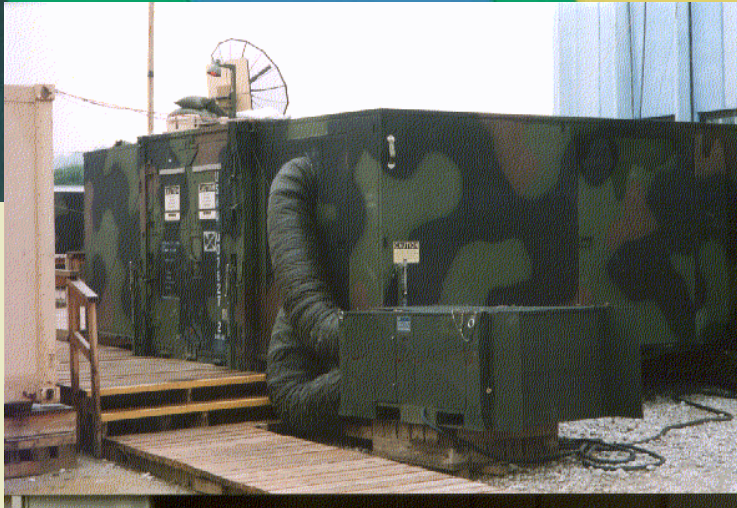
● **Medical Capabilities**  
1 Doc / 1 Phy Asst  
8 Medics  
1 Preventive Med Tech  
1 Vet Tech

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12 Medics Total

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2 Ground Ambulances



# Development within the Industry

- Small Start-ups Become Viable Businesses
- Digital Revolution
  - Series of digital products
- Internet Revolution
  - Images can be moved and viewed!!
  - Changes in mind set –Digital is here to stay





# Development within the Research Community

- Leading Academic Centers Show Interests
- Industry Responds
  - Sponsored Research
- System Level Research Begins
  - Work flow Research – AT&T Introduction



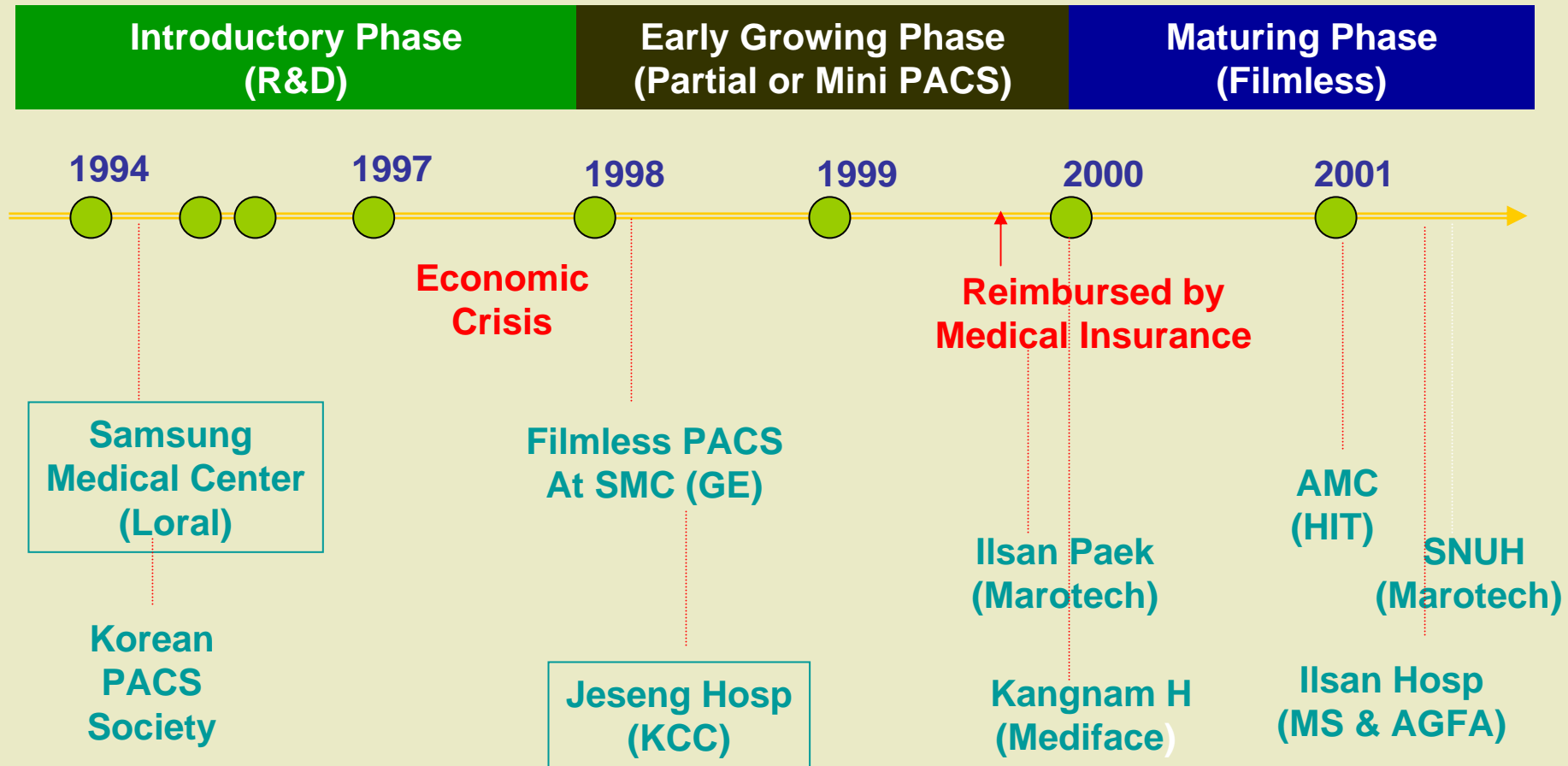
# Samsung Medical Center Seoul, Korea



- PACS tied to construction of a flagship hospital in Seoul, Korea
- Strategic Investment by New Multinational Conglomerate
- Strategic Collaboration with DoD



# History of Filmless Hospitals in Korea



# Other Developments

- VA Medical Center in Baltimore
- Hammersmith Hospital In London
- Demonstrations Projects
  - Vienna, Austria
  - Germany
  - Holland
  - Hokkaido, Japan
  - Others



# New Madigan Army Medical Center with Full PACS (1992)

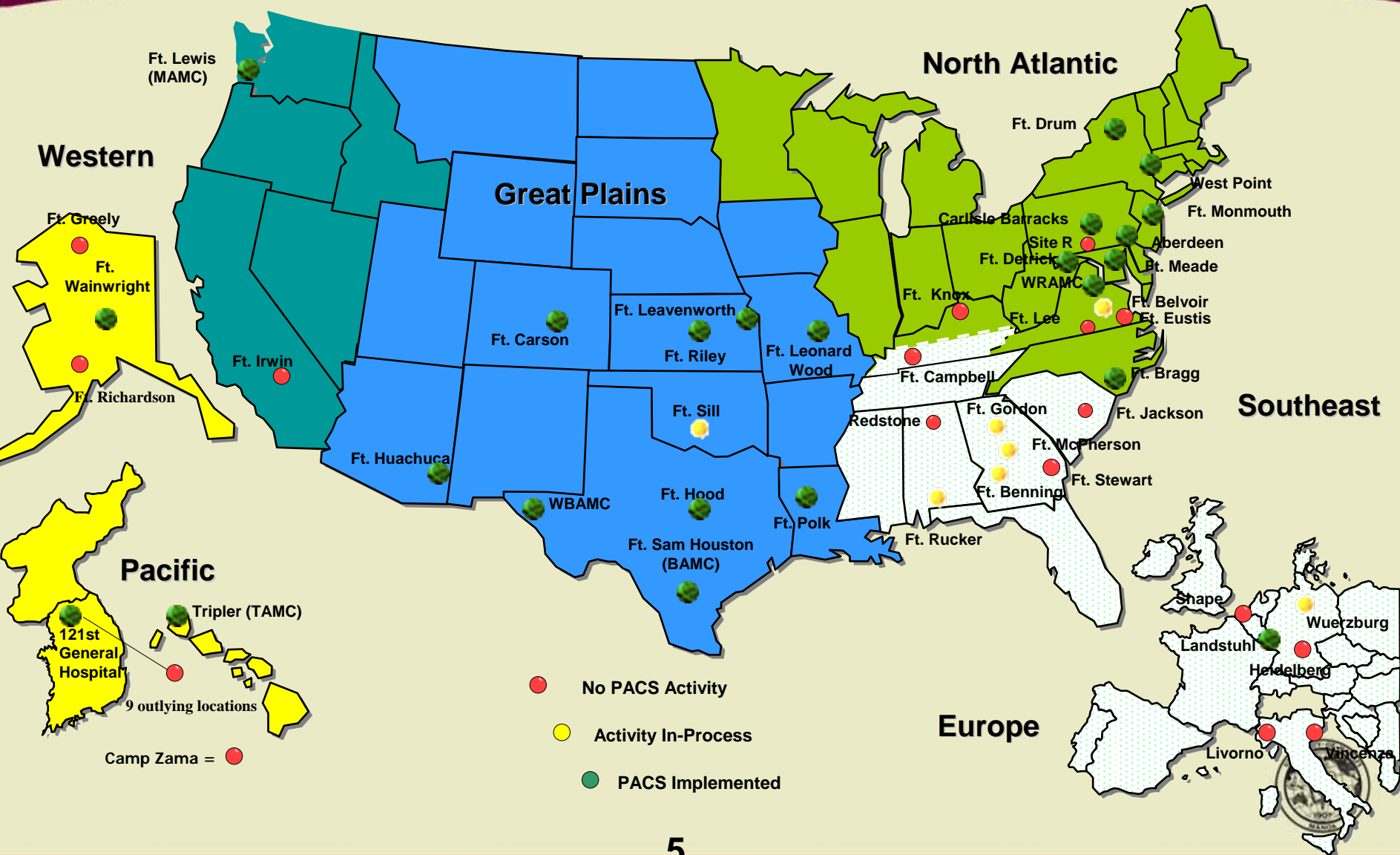


# PACS Today

- Filmless Hospitals – Standard and Essential Technology
- Radiology Department cannot operate without PACS- Productivity Essential
- PACS Market Size: App. \$5-7 Billion
- PACS has been a boom market for the Industry: more than 50% of RSNA exhibits are PACS-related
- Traditional Imaging Companies Dominate



# Global DoD PACS Work Load Redistribution



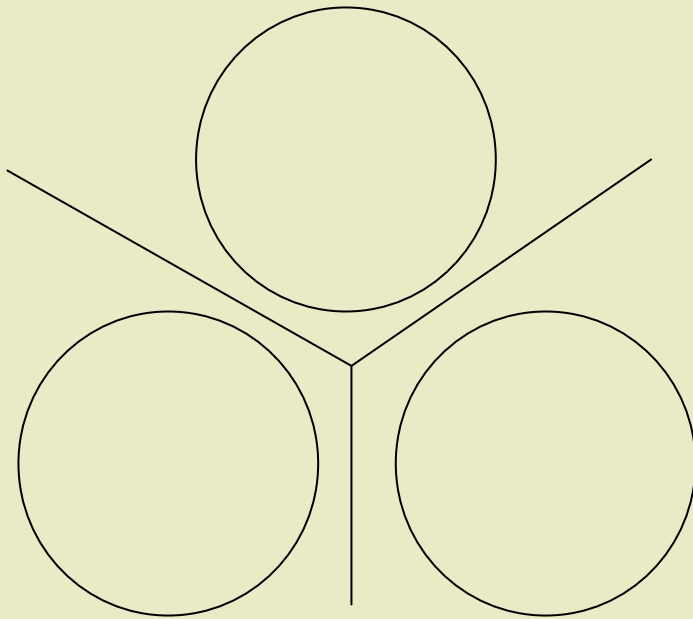
# Success Factors

- Community of Interests with Shared Vision
- Meeting Place For Open Dialogue-SPIE
- Timed with Explosion of Digital Revolution, e.g., networking, PC, display, storage.
- Government (DoD) leadership and risk-taking
- Dedicated Selfless Individuals with Mutual Respect and Trust – Open Dialogue
- Role of IP: Minimum

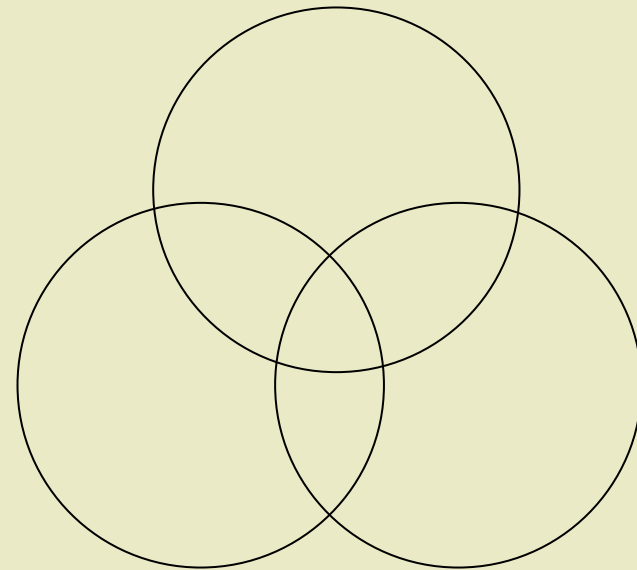




# Models



Status Quo  
Minimum Risk  
Comfortable



Vision and Courage  
Risky  
Uncomfortable



# Can this be replicated?

- It Depends
  - Technology
  - Individuals
  - Opportunity
  - Environment

