Uncover your Credits

Introduction to R&D Tax Credits



Today's Agenda

- Introduction
- What is the R&D Tax Credit?
- Case Studies
- Are you Ready?



Introduction to

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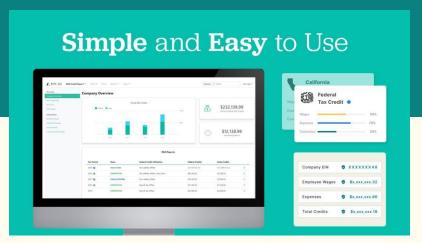
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Introduction to Ardius



- Technology



= Maximum R&D Tax Credit





It's a non-dilutive cash incentive ("dollar for dollar") for U.S. based companies to invest in innovation.



Annual US Federal R&D Credits for Qualified Companies

\$30.1 Billion Claimed



*Estimated in 2019

\$61.9 Billion Unclaimed



The Path Act

Legislation that allows small businesses to utilize the R&D tax credit as an offset against their FICA payroll taxes



Is my Company a Qualified Small Business for 2021 tax year? YES!

If you meet these two criteria for 2021 tax year:

- 1. Gross receipts of less than \$5M in 2021; AND
- 2. No gross receipts prior to 2017 (= 5 years back from current year)



Effects of the PATH Act

Profitable Companies (Before)

- Can claim unlimited tax liability offset dollar for dollar
- Can retroactively claim past credits up to 4 previous years
- Can carry forward for 20 years

Startups (After)

- Can maximize up to \$1,250,000 in 5 years in payroll tax offsets
- Utilize credits to offset payroll taxes up to \$250,000 per year for five years
- Payroll tax offsets can start the quarter after filing



Eligible Expenses



Employee Wages



Supplies/Cloud Server



Contract Research in US



Using R&D Tax Credit to Offset Payroll Tax

Company **must** report R&D Tax Credit amount in **2021 Tax Return** in order to offset payroll tax in 2022:

- R&D Tax Credit can be used to offset payroll tax
 - Employer portion of the Social Security Tax, up to \$250k per Year
- Can start claiming benefit in the following quarter after the tax return filing with valid election





Case Studies

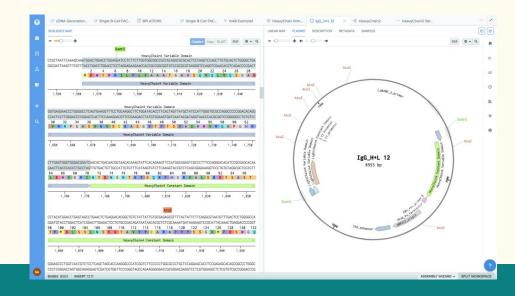
Benchling



A cloud based software platform for biology researchers and R&D organizations.

\$6.1 billion valuation in 2021 Series E

- Founded in 2012
- Recommended by YCombinator Board
- Retroactive 4 year project from 2015 2018





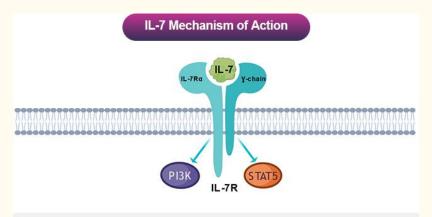
NeolmmuneTech

NeolmmuneTech Inc is a clinical-stage T cell-focused biotech company dedicated to the discovery and development of novel immuno-therapeutics.

Went Public March 2021 (KQSDAQ: 950220)

- R&D Tax Credit study initiated in 2018
- Identified R&D Tax Credit Qualifications
- Current Client

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- Promotes Naïve and Memory T Cell Proliferation and Survival
- Promotes Tertiary Lymphoid Structure (TLS) Formation
- Increases T Cell Receptor (TCR) Diversity and Utilization
- . Limits T Cell Exhaustion
- . Sustains Immune Response to Chronic Antigen Stimulation



Uncovered **\$2M R&D Tax Credits**



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