SPINCONTROL ASIA Co., Ltd.

CASE STUDY: SUCCESS STORY OF SPINCONTROL ASIA ON DOING BUSINESS IN THAILAND on: Bangkok, Thailand



INTRODUCTION: PRESENTATION OF SPINCONTROL

Start-up from the Faculty of Medicine from TOURS

Created in 1991

Contract Research Organization (CRO): clinical studies in order to assist cosmetic manufacturers to demonstrate the claims of their products

Testing of finished cosmetics, active ingredients, cosmetic devices, food supplements

Our clients: from SMEs to worldwide leaders

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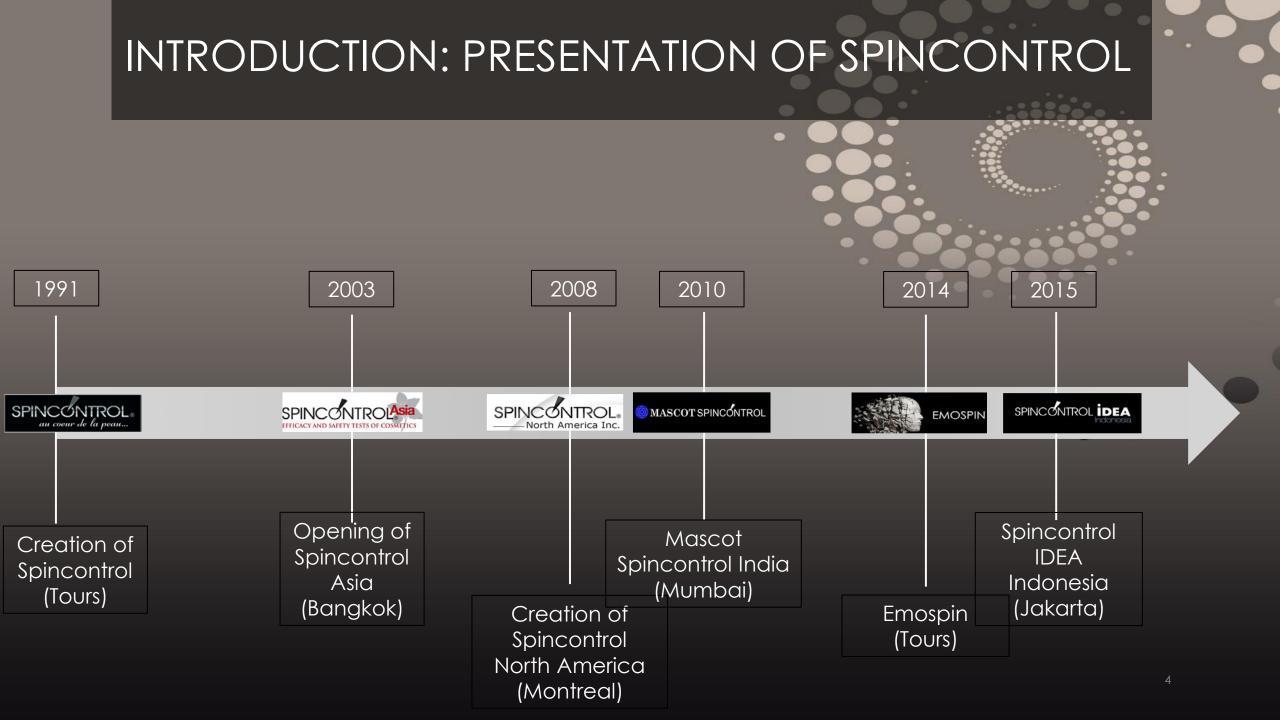












ORIGINS OF OUR PROJECT FOR THAILAND

□ To propose the same services to our clients, but with Asian subjects

□ In 2000: absolutely no knowledge about Asia in general

□ For this reason, need to find a local partner

Definition of the most suitable country to open an Asian subsidiary (budget, regulations, educated manpower, national cosmetic market, possibility to find a good partner...)

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CONSULTING EXPERTS

Mr. Jean-Michel Carayon (STRAT' EXPORT INTERNATIONAL, France)

□ Mr. Milko Papazoff (FAI ASIA PACIFIC Sdn Bhd, Malaysia)

Their missions: check the reliability of our putative Thai partner for the creation of a Joint-Venture, draft a Memorandum of Understanding, clarify the legal requirements to establish a CRO in Thailand (Ministry of Health, Thai FDA, Thai Cosmetic Manufacturers Association), contact law firms, banks, insurance companies, Universities (Ethics Committees)...

Board Of Investment of Thailand

OUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE BOARD OF INVESTMENT OF THAILAND

Meeting of our consultants with Mr. Somprason Khomapat (Director, Investment Promotion Division) and Mr. Yuthasak Kanasawat (Senior Investment Promotion Officer) in Bangkok

Wish #1: ratio foreigners-to-Thais employees and Work permits
Normally ratio of 1/7 minimum. We wanted to have 2 French persons
+ 4-5 Thai employees at the opening of the company

□ Wish #2: tax exemption

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Our project was related to the "Scientific testing / Sciences" category and labeled as R&D since there was no cosmetic sub-category at that time

□ Spincontrol Asia was promoted by the B.O.I. in 2003

Tax exemption (100%) within 8 years Total amount saved: > 110 kEuros

□ Facilities for work permits renewals

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OUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE BOARD OF INVESTMENT OF THAILAND

Submission of a company activity report every year

Uploading of annual balance sheet

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