

Where Does Your Time Go?

Discoveries don't happen by magic. Behind every major breakthrough are countless trials, errors—and most likely a team of overworked researchers.

Of all the time spent moving your research forward, less than half that time is actually spent in the lab. So where does all the time go?



How Do Researchers Spend Their Time?



42%

Research

(Either Conducting or Overseeing)



10%

**Writing/Co-Writing
Grant Applications**



13%

**Writing/Co-Writing
Research Papers**



8%

**Storing and
Sharing Data**



10%

Teaching

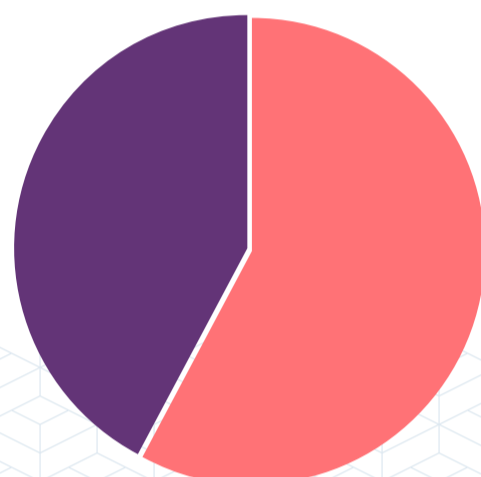


17%

**Other Administrative
Tasks**

**Researchers spend less than
50% of their time doing research.**

42%
Research



58%
Non-research

It's An Issue Across Every Sector:



38%
Academia



41%
Government



48%
Industry

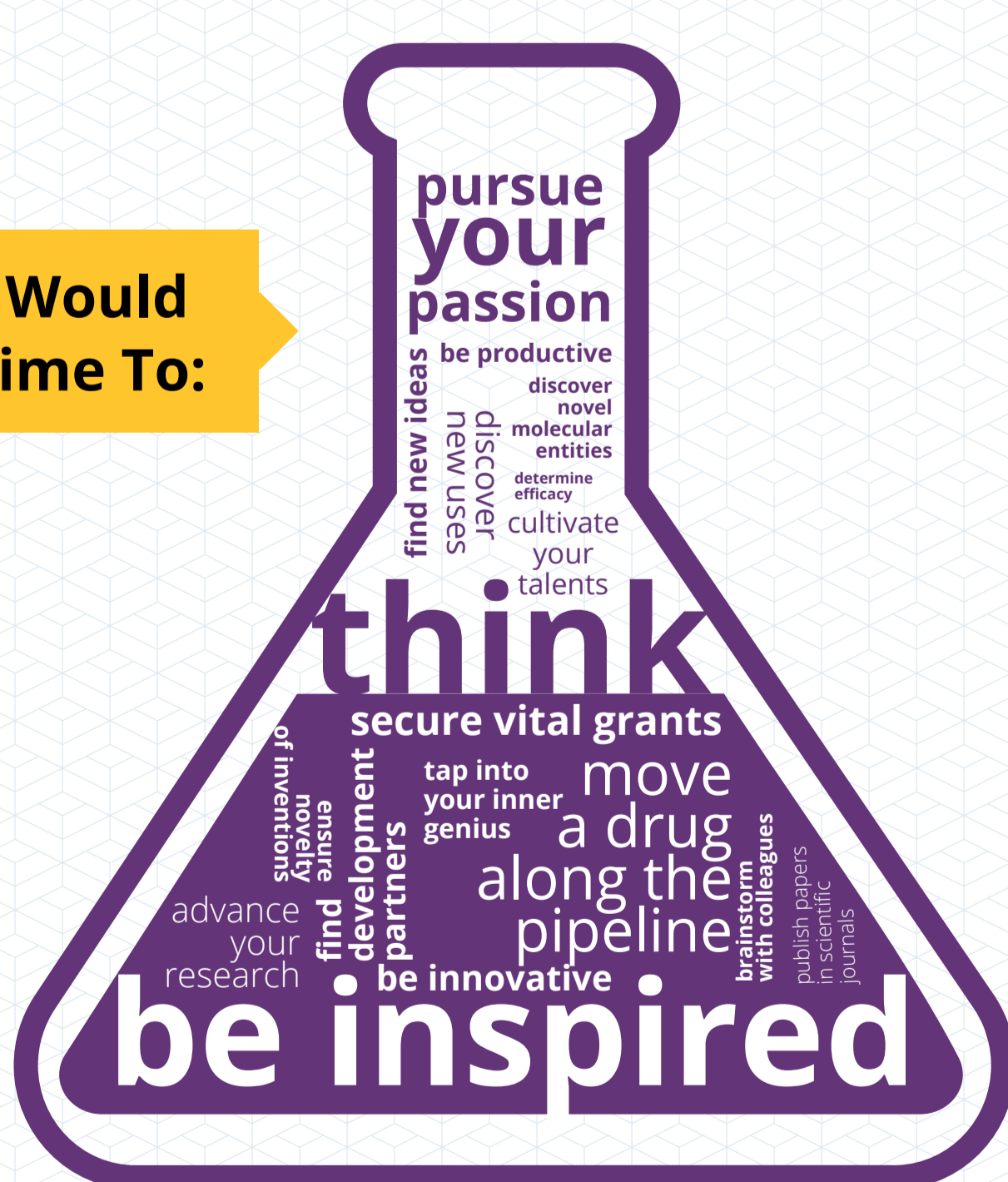
The Quest For Data

Researchers spend **7 hours** a week **looking for information**, including the most recently published data and patents.

60% of that time **involves sorting through results** to find the information that is most relevant to them.

What if that process were more efficient?

Researchers Would Have More Time To:



**Researchers could get back
to what is most important.**

**SciFinderⁿ can help.
What's your *n*?**

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