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Press release



Licensing agreement signed with Hi-Viso Ltd for Crawliskate®

At the end of 2021, Erganeo signed a licensing agreement with Northern Irish company Hi Viso Ltd for a new device, the Crawliskate®, a piece of ground-breaking technology that helps newborns crawl and stimulates their motor development .

Showcased in Netflix's documentary series *Babies*, the Crawliskate® technology was developed by the team of Marianne Barbu-Roth, a researcher at the Université de Paris (CNRS – UMR n°8002).

Children with long-term neuro-developmental disorders directly linked to premature birth are a major public health concern globally.

In Europe and the United States today, 10% of babies are born prematurely (< 37 weeks) and 2% are born extremely prematurely (< 32 weeks). These degrees of prematurity are steadily rising. We know that 40% of all babies born at under 32 weeks are at risk of motor skills disorders.

Early locomotor training programs are thought to improve motor and cognitive skills in children with mobility issues. After two years in development, in 2016 the team had completed the first-generation version of their ®Crawliskate. The device looks like a mini skateboard, and is designed to give babies the freedom to get around in moving their arms and legs when comfortably secured prone on the device.

Erganeo lent its support to this technology through a multi-year development project with a patent filed in 2014, and the Crawliskate® trademark already having been registered in multiple countries.

By the end of 2022, this project should allow for the collecting of the latest data on children up to the age of two. The licensing agreement signed with Hi Viso Ltd grants exclusive use of the patent, trademark, and generated results.



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About Erganeo – www.erganeo.com

Erganeo is a French investment fund that specialises in breakthrough innovations (deep tech) with a major societal impact. We invest early in the game to secure researchers' newest inventions before they are transferred to companies or before start-ups are founded, across a wide range of scientific fields: Biotech, Infotech (Telecom, connected objects, big data, AI) and Eneritech (new energy, chemistry, materials), among others. Erganeo aims to accelerate and simplify links between research and industry for the benefit of society. To do so, we finance and accompany the new generation of French researchers and entrepreneurs on the road to international recognition and success.

As a member of the SATT Network, Erganeo draws on the Ile-de-France network in building the foundations of a better tomorrow, tapping into a talent pool of over 20,000 researchers across 370 cutting-edge, leading laboratories. Since it was founded, Erganeo has invested over €41m, thus contributing to the signing of 88 licensing agreements with companies of all sizes and setting up 31 start-ups.

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About Hi-Viso Ltd

Hi Viso Ltd develops and supplies innovative products into the global healthcare market. The company is currently branching out and growing its business across a range of diverse sectors.

Crawliskate® will launch in Summer 22 under their innovative new baby brand, Daytot. Daytot supports babies at risk from early-years developmental delay by introducing life-enhancing products into their daily routine from day one.

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