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Dr. Zivin is a Senior Director in the Corporate Office of Science & Technology. He spent 20 years in healthcare R&D, working in biotechnology, molecular diagnostics and drug discovery, before joining COSAT in 2003. This work led to several FDA approved products, with another currently in Phase 3 trials. Since joining COSAT, Dr. Zivin has been working on the development of new models of collaboration, with the twin aims of facilitating academic partnering and shifting the cost-reward profile of product development. Bob is also COSAT's East Coast "Scout", responsible for the identification and promotion of disruptive product opportunities from academic and private innovators in this region. Prior to joining Johnson & Johnson in 1986, he was a Senior Research Scientist at Merck, Sharpe & Dohme Research Laboratories.

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