



# Asymmetric R&D Alliances and Coopetitive Games

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In this paper we show how the study of asymmetric R&D alliances, that are those between young and small firms and large and MNEs firms for knowledge exploration and/or exploitation, requires the adoption of a coopetitive framework which consider both collaboration and competition. We draw upon the literature on asymmetric R&D collaboration and competition to propose a mathematical model for the coopetitive games which is particularly suitable for exploring asymmetric R&D alliances.

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