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# M. J. MURDOCK CHARITABLE TRUST COMMERCIALIZATION INITIATION PROGRAM

#### RESEARCH AND FACULTY DEVELOPMENT FACULTY SUCCESS SEMINAR SERIES

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#### **FALL 2020**

Sept. 9	NSF Research Traineeship (NRT) Program:
	Tips for Writing a Competitive Proposal

Sept. 23 NSF CAREER All Year: Getting Ready to Apply

**Sept. 30** NSF EPSCoR RII Track-2: Tips for Writing a Competitive Proposal

Oct. 7 Find Funding Opportunities: Introduction to Pivot

Oct. 21 NSF CAREER All Year: Getting Started on Your Proposal

Nov. 4
UPDATE: Mountain West Clinical and
Translational Research-Infrastructure Network
(MW CTR-IN) Funding Opportunities

**Nov. 18** Myth-busting Department of Defense Funding Opportunities

**Dec. 2** M. J. Murdock Trust's Commercialization Initiation Program: Tips for Writing a Competitive Proposal

#### **SPRING 2021**

Jan. 13	Find Funding	Opportunities:	Introduction to Pivot
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Jan. 27 Funding Research and Scholarly Work in the Humanities

Feb. 3 Idaho is an EPSCoR State - What This Means for Supporting Your Research

Feb. 17 How to Develop and Deliver an Effective Pitch

Mar. 3 Assessing Your Grant Readiness

Mar. 24 Early Career Faculty Research - Grant Programs

**Apr. 7** USDA NIFA AFRI: Tips for Getting Started with Your Next Proposal

Apr. 14 Developing Data Management Plans
- Best Practices and Resources

**Apr. 28** Equipment Grant Programs: An Overview

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#### OBJECTIVES

#### IN THIS SESSION, WE WILL DISCUSS:

- Overview of the Commercialization Initiation Program (CIP)
- **Elements of the CIP application**
- I Strategies and tips to align project to the CIP priorities
- Process to apply
- Q&A Session: Dr. Damon Woods, Research Assistant Professor of Architecture, UI Integrated Design Lab (from 1-1:30 p.m.)

## M. J. MURDOCK CHARITABLE TRUST COMMERCIALIZATION INITIATION PROGRAM

#### PURPOSE OF CIP:

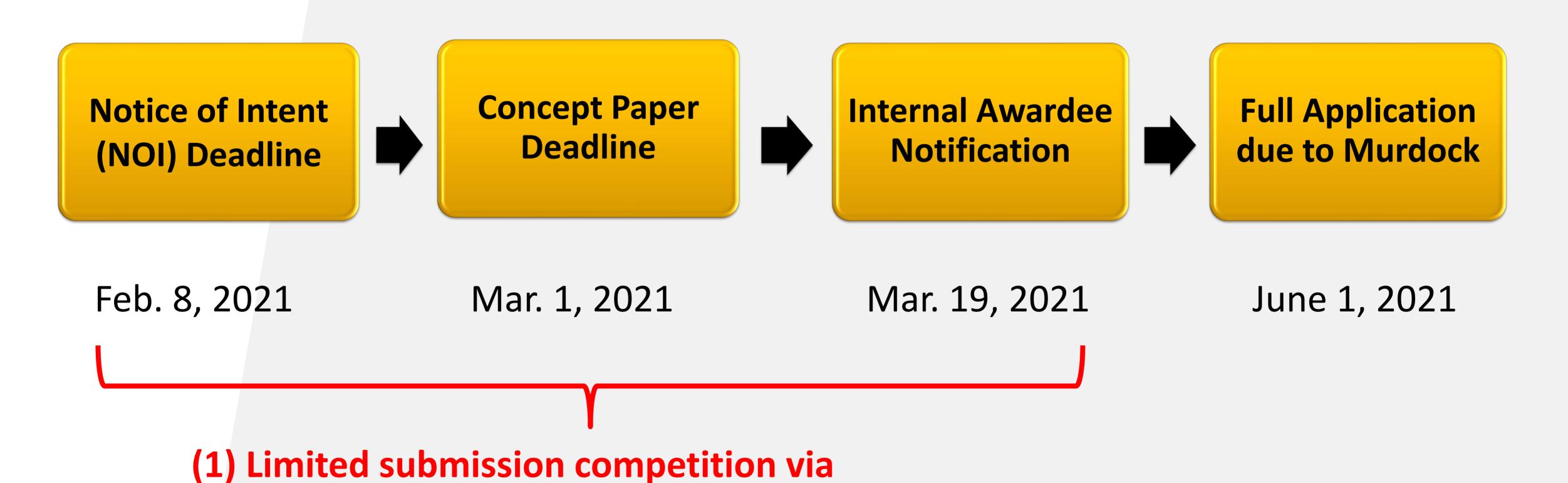
- I Supports the commercialization of bench discoveries (e.g., funding to help transform inventions from the bench and bring those to the marketplace)
- Seeks institution's highest-priority project from the natural sciences, medicine, and engineering
- Interested in projects that create a true inflection point for commercialization

#### MURDOCK CIP PROGRAM BASICS



- Award Amount: The PI or inventor may request a two-year grant of up to \$75,000 from the Murdock Trust.
- Deadline: June 1 (with awards announced in August)
- Matching requirement: YES
  - Ul is required to match at least an equal amount to that requested from the Trust.
  - ORED will provide up to 50% of the required institutional match.
- Limit on number of full proposals per institution: YES
  - Murdock will accept one proposal, the president's highest priority, from the UI.
- What the program does not fund: Games and software applications.

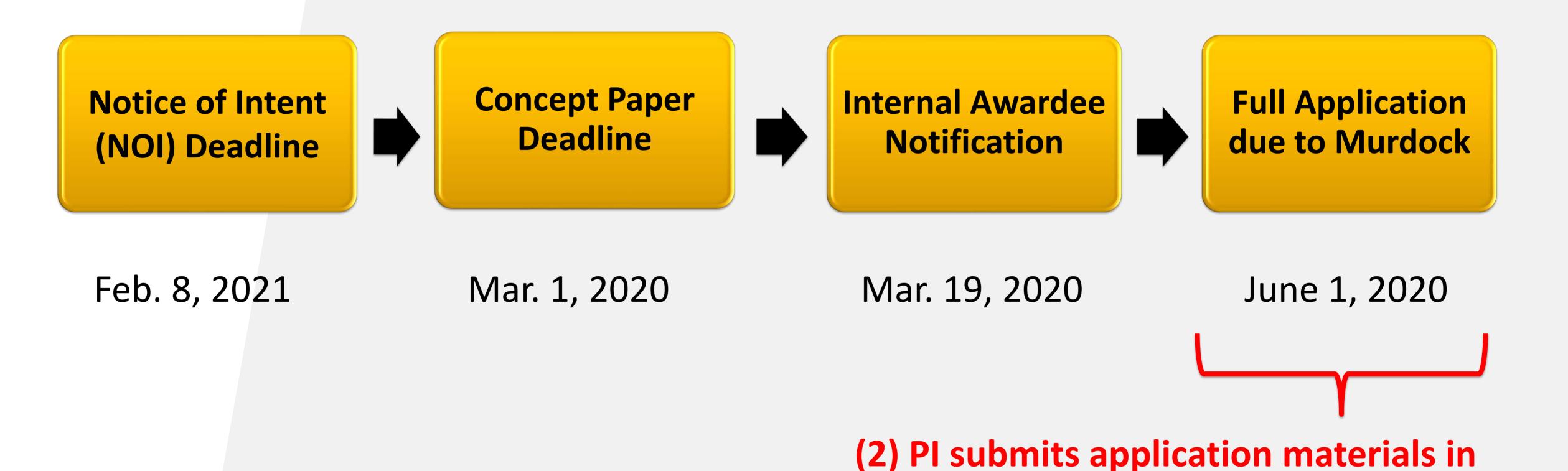
#### Murdock CIP - LIMITED SUBMISSION PROCESS



\*All deadlines are at 5:00 pm Pacific Time.

Ul's InfoReady Review System

#### Murdock CIP - LIMITED SUBMISSION PROCESS



(3) PI uploads final application to Murdock Fluxx system, to be submitted by RFD.

**VERAS** for approval by OSP, and then

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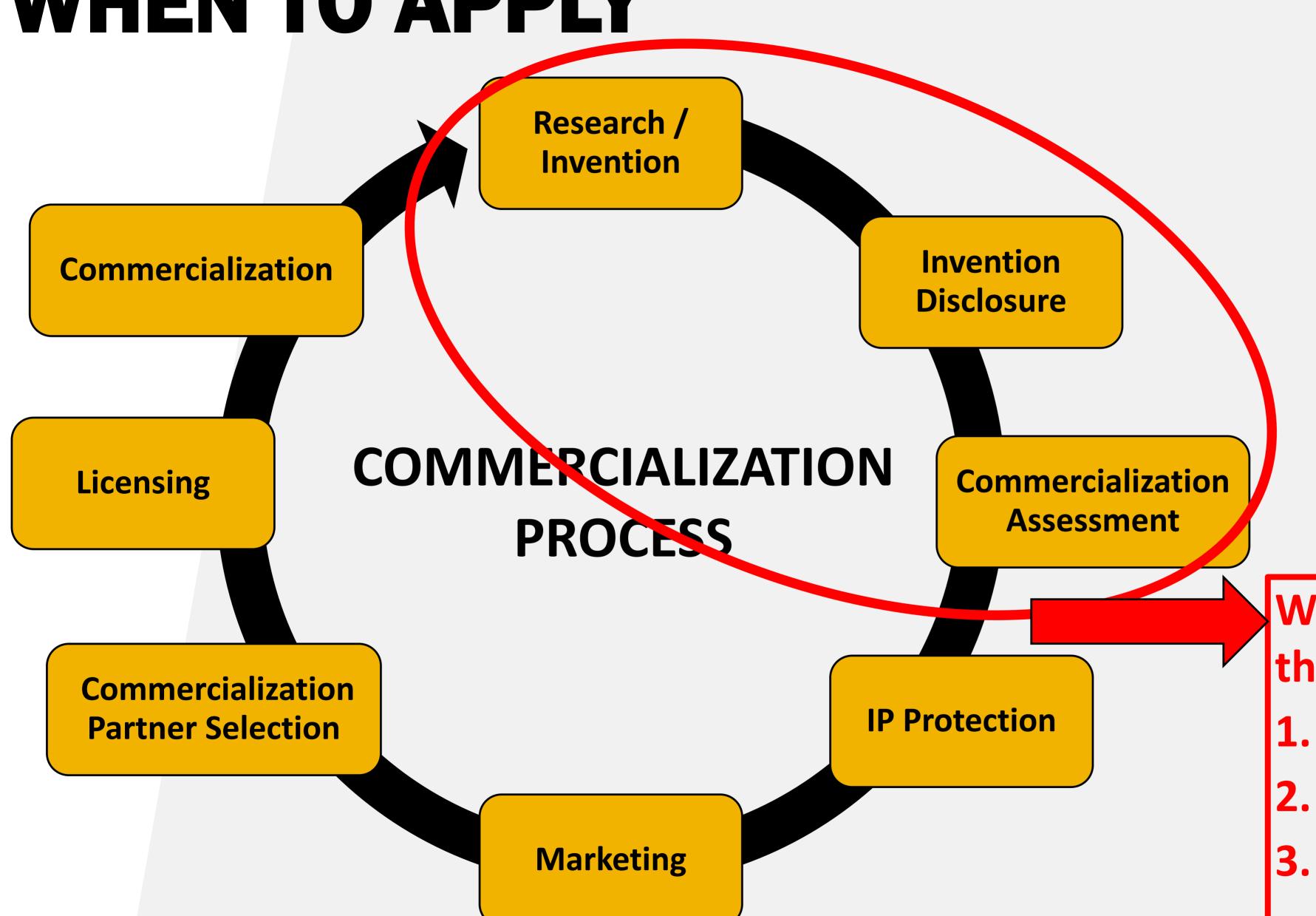
#### MURDOCK CIP PROGRAM GOALS

The goal of this program is to support projects early in the commercialization life cycle in order to enable the PI or inventor to transform the science discovery into practice, secure IP and ownership, obtain proof of commercialization concept, and position the development toward the next round of funding.

The ideal time for submitting a proposal is when the science is solid and a feasible business plan is at hand.

#### WHEN TO APPLY



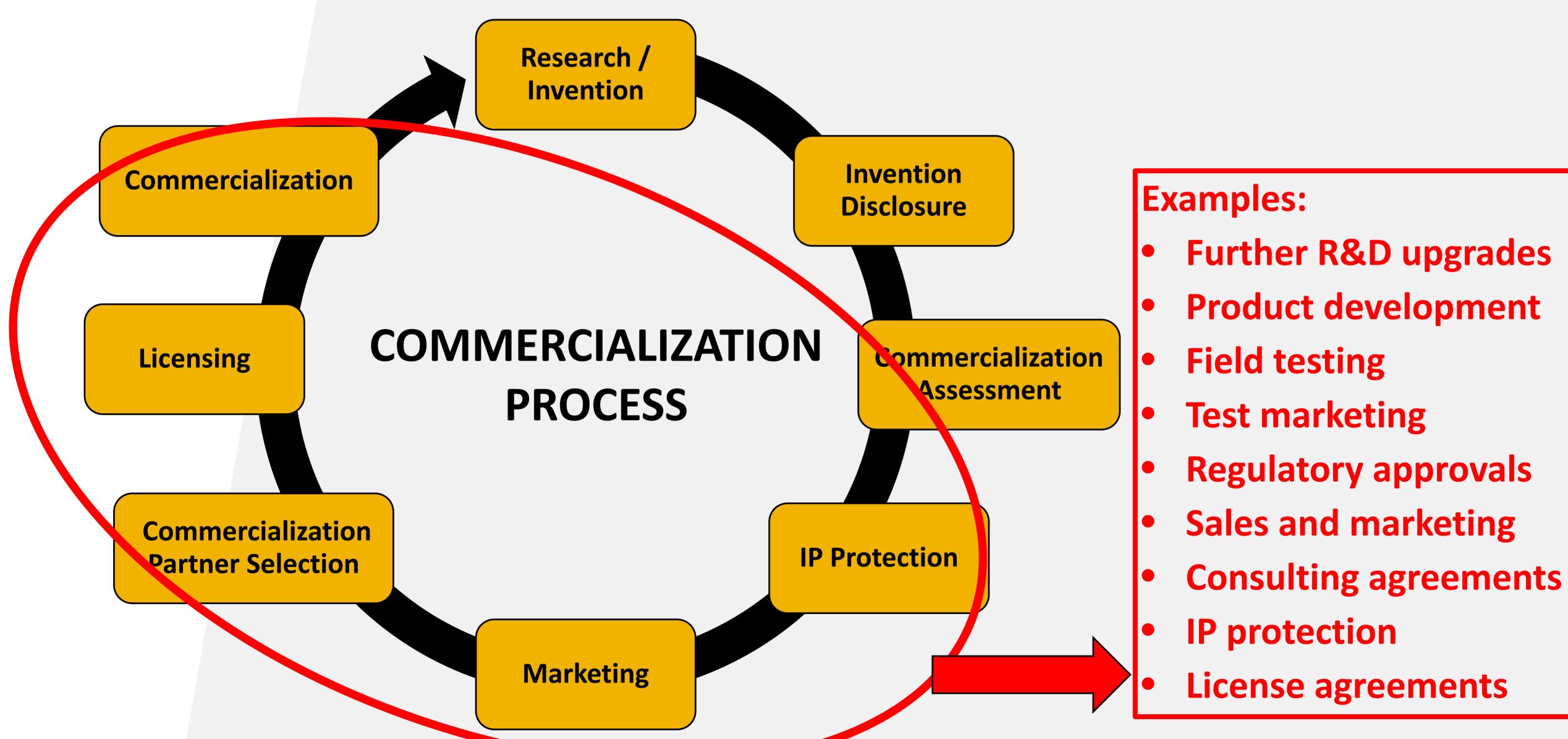


When to apply - Complete these three steps first:

- 1. Research/Invention
- 2. Invention Disclosure
- 3. Commercialization Assessment

#### WHEN TO APPLY







#### CIP GRANT RECIPIENTS at the UI

Pl Name	Duration	\$ Awd	Title	Commercialization Activities
Woods, Damon	2020-21	\$31,115	A Holistic Climate Control System Using Infrared Cameras	<ul> <li>Improve prototype function</li> <li>IP protection (provisional patents)</li> <li>Build business case &amp; marketing plan</li> <li>Attract investment partners</li> </ul>
Moller, Gregory	2018-19	\$60,000	UI Clean Water Machine: Carbon- Negative Technology for Water Reuse, Nutrient Recovery, and Soil Health	<ul> <li>Product upgrades</li> <li>Field testing</li> <li>IP protection (patent filing)</li> </ul>
He, Bingjun Brian	2016-18	\$59,525	Commercialization of novel biopesticides: Filling engineering gaps required for scale-up	<ul> <li>Equipment and supplies for product scaling and quality control testing</li> </ul>
McIlroy, David	2015-17	\$55,340	Advanced High Surface Area Electrodes for Electrochemical Applications and Energy Production	<ul> <li>Validation of product performance</li> <li>Identify commercialization partners</li> <li>Product licensing agreements</li> <li>Report of product performance</li> <li>Plan for commercialization</li> </ul>



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Pl Name	Duration	\$ Awd	Title	Sources of Cash Match
Woods, Damon	2020-21	\$31,115		<ul> <li>ORED &amp; Integrated Design Lab (\$29K)</li> <li>Idaho Entrepreneurship Program         (\$2.5K)</li> <li>For salary, fringe, supplies, travel,         contracted services, patent filing costs</li> </ul>
Moller, Gregory	2018-19	\$60,000	UI Clean Water Machine: Carbon- Negative Technology for Water Reuse, Nutrient Recovery, and Soil Health	<ul> <li>PI gift account (\$15K)</li> <li>Cash match from College (\$45K)</li> <li>For salary, fringe, equipment</li> </ul>
He, Bingjun Brian	2016-18	\$59,525	biopesticides: Filling engineering gaps required for scale-up	<ul> <li>Cash match from College (\$20K)</li> <li>Cash match from College (\$10K)</li> <li>ORED (\$30K)</li> <li>For salary, fringe, equipment, supplies</li> </ul>
McIlroy, David	2015-17	\$55,340	Advanced High Surface Area Electrodes for Electrochemical Applications and Energy Production	<ul> <li>Cash match from Dept./College         (\$55K)</li> <li>For salary, fringe, equipment, supplies</li> </ul>



- Proposal Narrative (single pdf uploaded to Fluxx):
  - A. Proposal Information
  - B. Facilities and Equipment
  - C. Proposed Budget and Budget Justification
  - D. Narrative Project Description (pages 3-12; 10 pages max)
  - E. Appendices
    - Letter of endorsement from CEO or designated appointee\*
    - Biographical sketches (PI, other personnel; NIH format)
    - Personnel and/or Earlier Financial Support
    - Letters of Support (collaborators, subcontractors)
    - Institutional Approval Letters (IACUC, HSRB/IRB)
- Other Required Organizational Documents:
  - Ul Board of Regents List; Government Entity Letter\*
- Pitch Video

\*Assistance available from RFD



- INarrative Project Description (up to 10 pages, 11-point font or larger)
  - I. Product
  - II. Technical Plan
  - III. Intellectual Property
  - IV. Market, Competition, Commercialization Merit
  - V. Business Plan
  - VI. Expected Outcomes
  - VII. Commercialization Team and Partner(s)
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- Narrative Project Description
  - III. Intellectual Property
    - Need to demonstrate understanding of the process and steps for IP protection and where you are in the process
    - Demonstrates that PI has done their due diligence
  - IV. Market, Competition, Commercialization Merit
    - Explain commercialization merit and market feasibility
    - Remember the reviewers (business experts)
  - VI. Expected Outcomes
    - Present reasonable outputs for a two-year grant period
    - Be clear about project milestones, both short term and intermediate



- Narrative Project Description
  - VII. Commercialization Team and Partner(s)
    - Business experts with experience taking these products to market
    - Partners need to provide specific commercialization expertise
    - Can include expert members of the Office of Technology Transfer

#### VIII. Bibliography

- Reviewers (business experts) will look for citations that demonstrate the PI understands the current state of the field for the technology/invention, from both the research and market perspective.
- Needs to be complete and current
- Demonstrates feasibility of the science behind the invention

#### MURDOCK CIP: PITCH VIDEO

Applicants are required to submit a three-minute video to pitch your Commercialization Initiation project.

#### Resources:

- RFD Faculty Success Seminar: How to Develop and Deliver an Effective Pitch, February 17, 2021, 12:30-1:30 p.m. PT (Jeremy Tamsen, Director, Office of Technology Transfer & George Tanner, Idaho Entrepreneur Director)
- The Studio, the U of I Library's audio and video production and editing space
- The Only 10 Slides You Need in Your Pitch (Guy Kawasaki, CEO, Canva)
  How to Pitch and Persuade (Kauffman Entrepreneurs)
  Ten Key Elements of a Great Pitch (University of Washington CoMotion Group)

#### TIPS FOR PITCH VIDEOS\*





- Pitch video is the hook
- Wording and messaging: content, clarity and precision are key
- Convey excitement and need for the product, as well as the market for this type of product
- Make it professional looking and dynamic
- Seek feedback and comments from experts and non-experts

<sup>\*</sup>Moses Lee, Senior Director, Scientific Research & Enrichment Programs, M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust

#### TIPS TO DEVELOP A COMPETITIVE PROPOSAL

- I Know when to apply when the science is solid and a feasible business plan is at hand.
- Understand your audience Reviewers will be scientists & business experts
- Assemble a strong team (UI OTT, business partners)
- I Get feedback on your pitch video from experts and non-experts
- IGet and read copies of funded CIP proposals

#### TIPS TO DEVELOP A COMPETITIVE PROPOSAL

- I Meet with the Office of Technology Transfer (\*before NOI deadline):
  - Invention Disclosure, Market Research, Commercialization Assessment, Partners,
     Pitch Video
- Research and Faculty Development (RFD) can assist with:
  - Proposal development
  - Required documents (CEO letter, UI Board of Regents list, Government entity letter)
  - Fluxx application submission (required)
- Contact Dr. Moses Lee for advice at mosesl@murdocktrust.org\*



#### THANK YOU!

- \*Virtual Office Hour with Dr. Moses Lee, Wednesday, December 16, 2020, at 3 p.m. Email to <a href="mailto:ored-rfdteam@uidaho.edu">ored-rfdteam@uidaho.edu</a> to rsvp.
- I Find out more about Commercialization Initiation at the U of I
- **Q&A Session:** Dr. Damon Woods, Research Assistant Professor of Architecture, UI Integrated Design Lab