Faculty of Science Research Innovation and Commercialization Grant
Notice of Intent / Project Intake Form
Deadline: Thursday April 1st, 2021 - 4:30PM

A competitive funding opportunity will be available to faculty members in the Faculty of Science wishing to take next steps towards commercialization of research. A limited number of these research grants are available to fund projects which initiate, explore, and develop activities toward commercialization of research. Examples include requests for funding to develop a prototype, validate a concept, carry out a market assessment, conduct a proof-of-concept study.

This competition is open to individual faculty members within the Faculty of Science at University of Manitoba, or can be collaborative within departments or interdisciplinary across departments within the Faculty of Science. While the purpose of this funding is to support researchers within the Faculty of Science, collaborators external to the Faculty of Science may be involved in the project. Proposals can request up to a maximum of $10K per project.

Faculty of Science will provide support for submissions through a mentored concept development session, consisting in project-specific feedback from relevant experts to assess and revise concepts to improve feasibility of proposed projects. **Attendance at a mentored consultation on concept development prior to proposal submission is required.** If a faculty member cannot attend the scheduled concept development consultation due to teaching obligations or prior academic commitments, they must notify the Industry Liaison Officer in advance at Jolen.Galaugher@umanitoba.ca who will schedule an alternate expert consultation which must take place prior to proposal submission.

Submission of an NOI/ Project Intake form is also required. **This Notice of Intent/Project Intake Form must be submitted to Tanya Zacharias (tanya.zacharias@umanitoba.ca) by Thursday, April 1st 2021 at 4:30 PM.**

All elements below are REQUIRED. Text should be single-spaced in Times New Roman regular 12 pts or any comparable font, and margins set at ¾ of an inch.

**PI and Project Information (please include):**

PI Given Name
PI Surname
Department
Position
Title of Project
Expected Project Start Date
Expected Project End Date
Collaborators
Project Abstract
Maximum 200 words

Additional Project Information (required)

i. Have you filed an invention disclosure with the Technology Transfer Officer? Yes/No?

ii. Do you have, or have you had, industrial collaborators on your project? Yes/No?

iii. Which best describes the current stage of the research (please indicate)?
    - Concept phase
    - Proven concept
    - Prototype
    - In commercial development

iv. List the field of applicability, potential marketers, customers, or industrial partners relevant to your project that you are aware of (please name).

v. What problem does your research solve?

vi. What is the unique value of your solution?

vii. If applicable, are you interested in exploring a start-up or licensing? Yes/No/Not Applicable