

2011 Technology Maturation Funding Program

UTRF announces the fourth annual maturation funding program to help UT researchers further develop technologies that have potential for commercial success. Up to \$15,000 (direct costs) will be awarded to the highest ranking proposals.

Rules:

- Open to all UT researchers (faculty, staff and students) at all campuses and institutes.
- Projects must be related to an existing UT invention/creation disclosure OR a proposal can be accompanied by a new UT invention/creation disclosure.
- Projects should provide new data or further demonstrate the technology to increase its commercial readiness.
- Funds should be directed to labor, materials and services necessary to achieve the proposed deliverable(s).
- Proposal should not exceed 3 pages and should describe the technology, the plan of work, the expected results, a budget (direct expenses only), and your assessment of the commercial opportunities for the technology.
- Proposal should be submitted to your campus research office by November 12, 2010.

Judging Criteria (see http://utrf.tennessee.edu/faculty/funding_programs.php for detailed information):

- Demonstration of a path for commercial development
- Market potential
- Stage of development

Deadlines and Schedule:

Deadline for proposal submission November 12, 2010
Awards announced December 17, 2010
Project start date January 17, 2011
Project completion date October 14, 2011
Final report due November 18, 2011

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