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celebrates  
**40th anniversary**  
of Bayh-Dole Act



UW launches Husky FAST Start licensing to get innovations to market faster

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**UW SPINOFF SINGLETO ANNOUNCES BREAKTHROUGH TO DECONTAMINATE COVID-INFECTED PPE**

Singleto founders Drs. Thomas Lendvay and James Chen, and a consortium of labs assembled through the World Health Organization #COVID19 Task Force, co-authored a groundbreaking study that showed for the first time how light-activated dyes can be applied to masks and other PPE to both decontaminate it and provide continuous inactivation of the virus.

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**MEET A COMOTION LABS MEMBER: KLOA**

Kloa is a pre-seed software company in CoMotion Labs Startup Hall. They are developing a new digital platform, one that bridges web and social media, to discover and browse lifestyle content on mobile platforms. Kloa is also pioneering a new way to communicate by text on mobile platforms.



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**COMOTION LICENSING PRODUCTS**

Timed with the 40th anniversary of the landmark Bayh-Dole Act, CoMotion introduces a handy overview of the five licensing products including the newly branded "Husky FAST Start™". This streamlined licensing option rapidly moves innovations to licensing in a fair and equitable manner.

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**SUSTAINABILITY IN HARDWARE: HOW AND WHY**

In this recent Fundamentals for Startups video, Mardis Bagley of [Nonfiction Design](#) discussed the hidden risks and rewards of sustainable hardware, packaging, and supply chain management. He shared personal experiences, case studies, and a few tools that will help you integrate sustainability into your company.



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**Open call for innovation**

The [US Air Force](#) is searching for innovative commercial technology. Win \$50k to discover your Air Force customer and if successful, compete for \$750k contracts for product development. There are three opportunities per year to apply for these opportunities and the next one opens on January 14th. [PROPOSALS WILL BE ACCEPTED HERE](#)

**Fall 2020 winners announced**

Winners of CoMotion's fall cycle of the Innovation Gap Fund have been announced. Winning innovations range from addressing neonatal dehydration, 3D printing performance enhancement, coffee ground-based water treatment, RNA-based biosensing technology and more. Learn about these teams and their projects, and how they plan to use the funds. [READ MORE](#)

**X-Force Summer 2021 Fellowship**

The [National Security Innovation Network](#) has just opened applications for X-Force—the Department of Defense's Summer 2021 Fellowship. The final deadline for X-Force Fellowship applications is December 31, 2020. [LEARN MORE AND APPLY](#)



UW spinoffs and CoMotion-supported startups make headlines

- Astrobotic teams with Bosch and WiBotic to give its moon rovers wireless charging and smarts to find power stations. [Read more in TechCrunch](#)
- Nanodropper cofounders named honorees of Forbes 30 Under 30 list in healthcare 2021. [Read more on the Nanodropper website](#)
- Athira Pharma wins \$15M grant from National Institute on Aging for trial of Alzheimer's drug. [Read more in GeekWire](#)

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THIS VIRTUAL SERIES**

Our weekly series featuring notable experts who share startup-related information, experience, and wisdom with our entrepreneurial community begins again on Friday January 8, 2021 from 12:00 to 1:00pm. We have a great winter lineup of speakers who will help you navigate the exciting, complex, and sometimes daunting journey that is being a startup. RSVP to these sessions today. Link provided after registration.



**THE FUNDING PATH: A FRAMEWORK... with ISAAC KATO 01/08/21**

Issac Kato, Managing Director of [Techstars Seattle Accelerator](#), will discuss frameworks for how early stage founders can think about their fundraising decisions - the pros and cons of going the traditional venture route, alternatives to conventional VC, and how to think about the timing of raising capital. [RSVP](#)



**STARTUP MARKETING IMPERATIVES with LISA FERNOW 01/15/21**

Lisa Fernow, President of [Fernow Consulting](#), addresses 13 strategic marketing imperatives every startup must get right to avoid losing time, money and market position. Lisa's insights are based on her 20 years of experience helping startup CEOs, as well as interviews with entrepreneurs, investors and subject matter experts. [RSVP](#)



**PREPARING FOR DUE DILIGENCE with MINDA BRUSSE 01/22/21**

Minda Brusse, Co-Founder and Managing Director at [First Row Partners](#) and the Venture Partner for [2048 Ventures](#) in the Pacific Northwest, will discuss what comes after "yes" and before the check and explain how to prep for when investors ask for documents, projections, references and more. [RSVP](#)

Partner events

**WTIA Founder Cohort**

The [WTIA](#) Founder Cohort is like a startup university for seed stage startups that turns into an alumni group of local technology founders. Learn from experts, gain actionable insights, and build relationships with other #founders. Deadline: 12/31/2020 [APPLY NOW](#)

Meet a CoMotion Team Member



As one of CoMotion's intellectual property paralegals, **Christine Hurdle** has helped the CoMotion IP Group manage UW's patent portfolio for the past nine years. Her responsibilities include handling the patent docket, processing official patent correspondence, drafting formal documents, corresponding with inventors and licensees, and assisting with provisional patent filings. Prior to joining CoMotion, she worked extensively in the Seattle area as a patent paralegal on domestic and international patents. Chrissy also attended the University of Washington as a graduate student, studying Comparative Literature. She enjoys hiking and swimming and is an avid traveler. "There is a lot of positive energy at UW CoMotion. It has always been a fun place to work with great, innovative people."

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