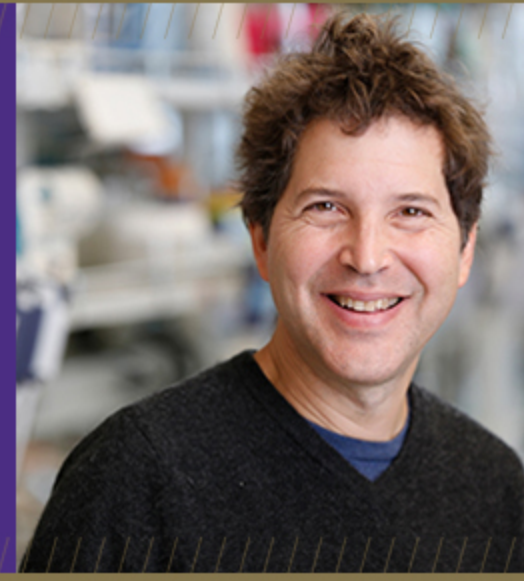


CoMotion at the University of Washington is the collaborative innovation hub dedicated to expanding the economic and societal impact of the UW community and beyond.

New funding offers more opportunities for the Institute of Protein Design



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IP ADVISING, PROTECTION & LICENSING

Quick facts about patents

Wondering what makes an innovation eligible for a U.S. patent? A good place to start is our Quick Facts About Patents page where you can find definitions and useful dates. Then it's best to contact a CoMotion Innovation Manager to determine if your innovation can be patented.

[Learn more about patents here](#)



INNOVATION TRAINING

"How Compassion Improves Innovation"

Shwetak Patel, the Washington Research Foundation Entrepreneurship Endowed Professor in Computer Science & Engineering and Electrical & Computer Engineering, explains the difference between empathy and compassion, and how companies can infuse these practices in their culture to build a more inclusive approach that emphasizes outcomes which improve lives, not just balance sheets.

[View an archived stream of Shwetak Patel's Fundamentals for Startups Friday talk](#)



FUNDING & PARTNERSHIPS



BECU FinTech Incubator Competition Selects Two New Winners

This July, CoMotion welcomes two new startups to the BECU FinTech Incubator: Attunely and Fincluziv. The two startups were chosen by BECU following a competition and series of pitches based on their compatibility with BECU's business goals and digital product focus areas.

[Click here to learn more about the BECU FinTech Incubator at UW CoMotion](#)



Funding Resources

The CoMotion Innovation Investments team can assist innovators in identifying funding for commercialization of their UW research. The experienced staff can connect innovators to significant resources to increase their chances of success.

[Click to learn more about CoMotion funding resources](#)

STARTUPS & INCUBATION

Meet a CoMotion Labs Member: Iasis Molecular Sciences

CoMotion Labs member Iasis Molecular Sciences is an infection-prevention materials company founded in 2008 following the discovery of novel antiseptics with applications to wound healing and medical device protection.

[View the blog post here](#)



"Recruiting 101"

Emma O'Neill-Myers and Jessie Smith, directors of University of Washington Employer & Student Engagement, share insights, strategies, and best practices to attract top UW talent.

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NEWS



CoMotion-supported startups make headlines

- **Karat** receives \$28M in round led by Tiger Global. [Read more in GeekWire](#)
- **Spokane's** tech scene capitalizes on Seattle squeeze. [Read more in GeekWire](#)
- Say what? **UW researchers** create smartphone app to detect ear infections. [Read more in GeekWire](#)
- **Two new startups** join Seattle fintech incubator run by BECU and University of Washington's CoMotion. [Read more in GeekWire](#)

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EVENTS

Nearly all CoMotion events are free and open to everyone. Feel inspired to pursue a great idea? Want to meet other entrepreneurs? Join us!



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TACO TUESDAY

Taco Tuesday only comes around once a month so don't miss out on an opportunity to enjoy tacos while getting to know the startups in your area.

At Fluke Hall, 3rd floor, Idea Lab, 12pm-1pm.



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COMOTION LABS PUBLIC TOUR

Interested in learning more about our CoMotion Labs spaces? Come and visit our multi-industry spaces and learn all about how we're driving innovation in Seattle.

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MEET A COMOTION TEAM MEMBER

TEAM MEMBER CAROLINE HANSEN

Caroline Hansen manages the logistics, timelines, and calendars of many of CoMotion's events, providing guidance and experience in making every event a success. She has planned events for over twenty years – the past 15+ years, she has worked for the University of Washington, planning fundraising events, conferences, lectures, trainings, and socials. Caroline was born in Texas, schooled in New England, matured in San Francisco and now lives in Wallingford with her husband, two kids, and four cats. Caroline shares: "I love the energy that comes from working with entrepreneurs and startups. So many people are working to make the world a better place and it's exciting."



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