Icosavax raises $51M to fight viruses with computer-designed vaccines

Patenting your UW innovation: How to take the first step

Collation helps the UW community determine the best avenues for commercializing innovations. And we are always looking for better ways to welcome inventors and improve processes. In this sprint, we had a new update to share. Read about the patent process for UW inventors and the new record of Innovation Form.

Ten key elements of a great pitch

Watch “Ten Key Elements of a Great Pitch”

“Building & Funding a Hardware Business”

The first of our “Fundamentals for Startups” series, featuring Chris Meyers, partner at post-ventures, explaining the unique challenges of the hardware industry and how to navigate them in order to build a successful startup. Watch the video here. Check out our event calendar for upcoming “Fundamentals for Startups” which happen every Friday from 12:30pm – 1:30pm at 4646 wall.

Reminder: UW affiliated teams can apply to I-Corps to get $2500 for customer discovery.

Deadline Nov 8th

Big ideas are taking off at the UW with help from Amazon

A mix of UW faculty, students, and staff from seven departments across campus, including Computer Science & Engineering, Human-Centered Design & Engineering, Public Policy, Global Health, Landscape Architecture, Engineering, and Economics, make up the seven new teams that were selected as Amazon C10. Read about the new round of Amazon C10 fellows and their big ideas which focused on one of the round’s themes: Computational Social Science or urban transportation.

Meet a CoMotion Labs Member: Golden Sharpa

In late August, CoMotion Labs & Spokane member Golden Sharpa officially launched their new platform to help users find long-term care for their loved ones. They recently received funding from local Spokane fund-lead to Market, which works with pre-seed and proof-of-concept stage companies in the Inland Northwest. Learn more about this Spokane-based startup and their “Asking For Volunteers”

Medford1st posts after early competition success

Gressed Swanson, Materials Science & Engineering alum and CEO of customer-supportedmedic1st wondered.
NEWS

UW spinoffs and CoMotion-supported startups make headlines

- UW named most innovative public university by Reuters for third consecutive year. Read more on Noticias.
- UW CoMotion contributing to Seattle startup ecosystem that is poised for unprecedented acceleration of company creation. Read more in Medien-Express.co "Anhänger." Read more on Noticias.
- More on "Open Coffee." CoMotion teams have raised $9 million in seed capital.

EVENTS

Nearly all CoMotion events are free and open to everyone. Visit our website to learn more about our event calendar.

11/15 A CLOSE-UP VIEW OF VENTURE CAPITAL IN THE PNW AND THE U.S.

Join CoMotion for this event and the opportunity to connect with the brightest minds of the Seattle entrepreneurial community. The event is sponsored by the Seattle-based venture capital firm, Tamarack Venture Partners.

11/19 COLLABORATIVE CONFLICT: NAVIGATING DIFFICULT, HIGH STAKES CONVERSATIONS

In this talk, Mikea Kister, CEO, Revoll, will explore constructive approaches to conflict, and other non-ideal settings you may encounter. This talk will cover issues that are fundamental for everyday interactions. The event will be held in the HUB.

11/20 COMISSION LABS PUBLIC TOUR

Interested in learning more about our Commission Labs? Come and meet our innovators, researchers, and other key players as we drive innovation in Seattle. We are now offering public tours on the third Wednesday of every month. Join us for the entire afternoon or just come for a specific lab tour. Our tour schedule starts at 1:00 pm at Commission Labs.

Tickets are available now for the annual UW Entrepreneurs HPC Alumni Scholarship Dinner on Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 6:00 pm at the Washington Athletic Club. Hosted by our friends at Foster's Buerk Center for Entrepreneurship.

MEET A COMMOTION MENTOR

DALE M. WILLARD, Ph.D.

Dr. Dale M. Willard has been a CoMotion mentor since 2016, supporting early stage startups in the innovation (bio-tech), engineering innovation & health, and Dyson-Pich programs. Supported startups have originated from the Bioengineering Department, Molecular Engineering and Sciences Institute, Mechanical Engineering, and UH Health. He is based in the Hawaii Shark Community at the Hawaii Institute for Health Innovation and is a regular participant at Seattle Angel Conferences, Alliance of Angels, and CoMotion/Incubator Events. His focus is on the science and engineering technology of chemistry, environmental science, renewable energy, and chemical engineering.

Dale has been an entrepreneur, consultant, investor, and chemist. He has successful startups: Advanced Microchemicals and Cardio Analytics, both acquired by Baxter. His work originated from a laboratory research project, licensed from Cleveland State University and Prof. Charles Partridge. Over the past 30 years, he has worked as an environmental consultant, grant writer, and independent consultant. He has published extensively in the areas of environmental chemistry, environmental quality, and pollution control.

He enjoys skiing, golfing, hiking, and traveling. Dale serves as expert proposal reviewer panel for numerous federal agencies including NIH, NSF, DOE, and others. He received his PhD in analytical Chemistry from Cleveland State University in 1999, and his views on LinkedIn and science to marketplace consulting.