

A newsletter for our community engaged in innovation, entrepreneurship, and commercialization



UW Provost Tricia Serio speaks to attendees at CoMotion Open House, May 1, 2024

### CoMotion Open House kicked off Innovation Month

On May 1, CoMotion welcomed researchers, mentors, leadership, colleagues, and friends to its new offices at Condon Hall for an open house, officially kicking off UW's first-ever Innovation Month. The event featured remarks by Vice Provost for Innovation François Baneyx and Provost Tricia Serio (above).

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Eric Szelenyi, acting assistant professor, UW School of Medicine, Department of Biological Structure

### Postdoctoral Entrepreneurship Program continues funding and support for UW researchers

Read our interview with neuroscientist Eric Szelenyi, a CoMotion postdoctoral entrepreneur, whose team is leveraging CoMotion resources to advance tools for the development of psychiatric drugs.

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## Funding opportunities

**LSW Institute Grant Program Information Session:** Thurs., 6/27, 9-10 a.m., virtual  
**Innovation Gap Fund Fall 2024 cycle:** Grants of up to \$50K, [sign up to be notified when applications open](#)  
**CoMotion SBIR/STTR application support:** For qualified UW researchers  
**WRF Technology Commercialization:** Bridge funding of up to \$100K

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Starting July 1, CoMotion Labs is **changing membership pricing**. These unique startup incubators, located on UW's Seattle campus, can help you grow your early-stage company -- whether your startup is from the UW or not.

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Geekwire covered A-Alpha Bio's grant of \$14.5M from the DoD to prep for future biological threats; UW spinoff Overland AI's fundraising for off-road self-driving tech; and CoMotion Labs hardware startups Sanctum and Autev. [Browse more stories.](#)

UW outlets recently highlighted mechanical engineer Lucas Meza, recipient of an NSF CAREER Award, and computer scientist Shyam Gollakota, who presented on AI-driven advancements in audio tech. [Read more UW community news stories.](#)

## Events

**Celebrate Pride with OUTbio Seattle:** Thurs. 6/27, 5-8 p.m. @ Dexter Yard (rooftop)  
**Women In Bio Seattle Summer Social:** Thurs. 7/25, 5:30-8 p.m. @ Sole Repair  
**Seattle Tech Week:** Mon. 7/29-Fri. 8/2, multiple times and locations  
**DeviceConnect: How AI is Improving Healthcare Diagnostics panel & lunch:** Fri. 8/2, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. @ Life Science Washington (part of Seattle Tech Week)

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CoMotion partners with the UW community on their innovation journey, providing tools, connections, and acumen to transform ideas into economic and societal impact.

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