



INVO INVENTIVE ACTIVITY FY 2017

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INNOVATION AND NEW VENTURES

Cover images: (Left) *Extending Neural Cell Technology: False Colored, Scanning Electron Microscope; Creator: Mark McClendon and Zaida Alvarez, Stupp Lab; Simpson Querrey Institute for BioNanotechnology*

(Middle) *3D Painted Copper, Technology: 3D Painted Material; Creator: Adam Jakus, Shah Lab; Simpson Querrey Institute for BioNanotechnology*

(Right) *Biosensing device created by Epicore Biosystems, a startup using Prof. John Rogers' technology to create soft microfluidics devices that harvest and route sweat from skin pores*

DEAR MEMBERS OF THE NORTHWESTERN COMMUNITY,

Across our institution—in every school, in every department, and in dorm rooms—something wonderful, rich, and inspiring is happening. Spurred by creativity and a problem-solving mindset that shines in our campuses’ classrooms and labs, Northwestern has established itself as one of the globe’s fastest-growing incubators of ideas and innovations.

This, of course, is no accident. As a University, we promote intellectual curiosity, encourage diversity of thought, and challenge our community—faculty and students alike—to be daring, visionary thinkers. Innovations and entrepreneurship, then, are the inevitable byproducts, particularly given the motivation and intellectual capital that blankets our community. INVO stands at the nexus of this web, maintaining a clear, tenacious vision to bring innovations to society that amplify Northwestern’s voice in global discussions and drive its impact in the world.

In FY17, INVO helped Northwestern secure another record year of inventive activity. Since last year the number of inventions grew 4%, executed agreements on inventions increased by 21%, filed patents increased by 8% and issued patents soared by 42%.

Yet more, we broadened and strengthened our entrepreneurial ecosystem with new programs such as the NewCures accelerator, INVOForward, and Stage Zero. Alongside other upstart efforts such as The Garage, NUseeds, and N.XT, we are building capacity, nurturing ambitious projects, and bringing ideas to market. We continue to support the circular nature of research, promoting entrepreneurship and scholarly strength simultaneously while maintaining an unrelenting focus on the integrity of our academic culture.

At INVO, we will continue to champion a decentralized approach, one that sparks random collisions and advances our innovation pipeline. To that end, we are implementing a new system that will allow schools, departments, centers, and individual faculty across the University to mine their own invention data. We remain committed to continuous improvement and believe this new system will help us better identify and prioritize opportunities. It is the next step in our evolution, but far from the only step, and honors our belief that intellectual diversification coupled with strategic partnerships powers game-changing solutions.

Moving forward, our uncompromising work will continue. We will champion innovation. We will expand our ecosystem. We will push ideas to the public. And we will help build a stronger Northwestern and a better world.

Alicia Löffler
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Associate Vice President for Research

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211
INVENTIONS DISCLOSED

529
PATENT APPLICATIONS

210
AGREEMENTS EXECUTED

7.5
MILLION IN LICENSING
REVENUES, DOLLARS

185
PATENTS ISSUED

12
STARTUPS

**NORTHWESTERN INVENTIVE
ACTIVITY CONTINUED TO GROW**

Figure 1 illustrates invention disclosure activity since 2002. In FY17, INVO processed 211 invention disclosures, slightly higher than the FY16 level (203). In FY16, INVO, through The Garage, began providing invention waivers to students before they disclose. This change in process was established to reduce the administrative burden on the INVO office.

Inventorship spans both campuses. Figure 2 represents the distribution of inventive activity by school. The McCormick School of Engineering (McC) and the Feinberg School of Medicine (FSM) have the largest shares, followed by the Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences (WCAS).

Inventions span many disciplines and markets. Figure 3 shows the distribution of inventions by category. Healthcare Devices, Tools

and IT had the largest share of the inventive output. It is important to note that many inventions in the areas of chemistry, computer science, and materials are considered platform technologies with undefined markets.

For example, a new software invention might find applications in the future in a variety of markets such as energy, consumer, and biomedical.

Figure 1. Invention disclosures, 2002–2017



Figure 2. Inventions by school

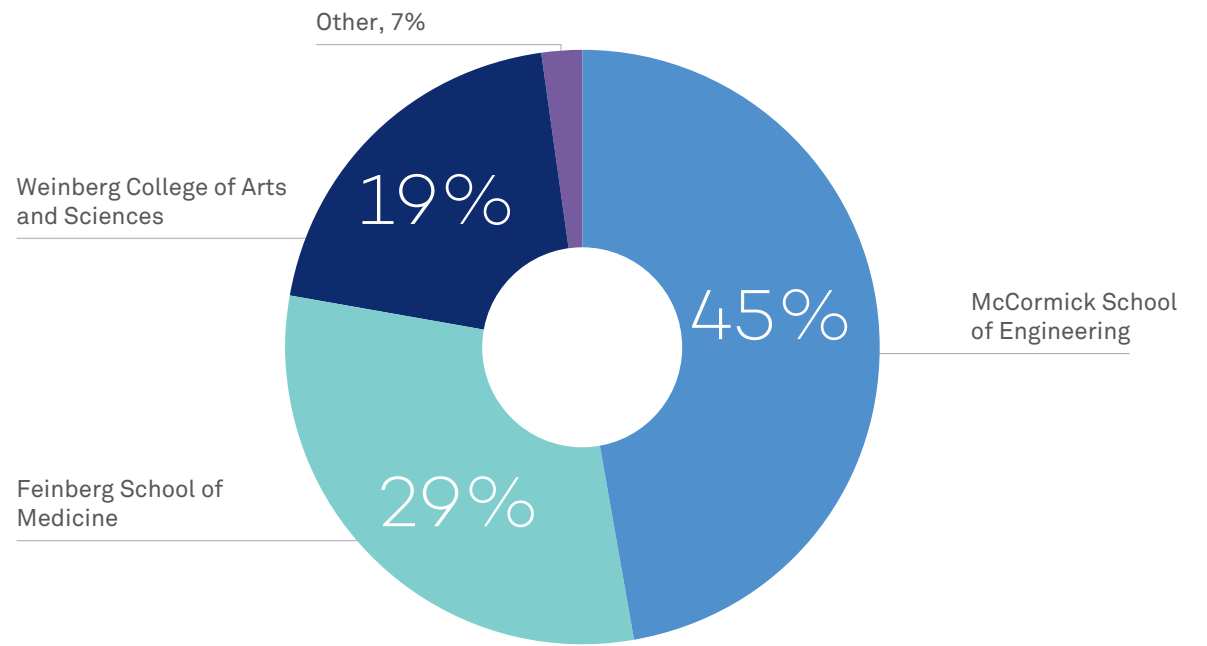
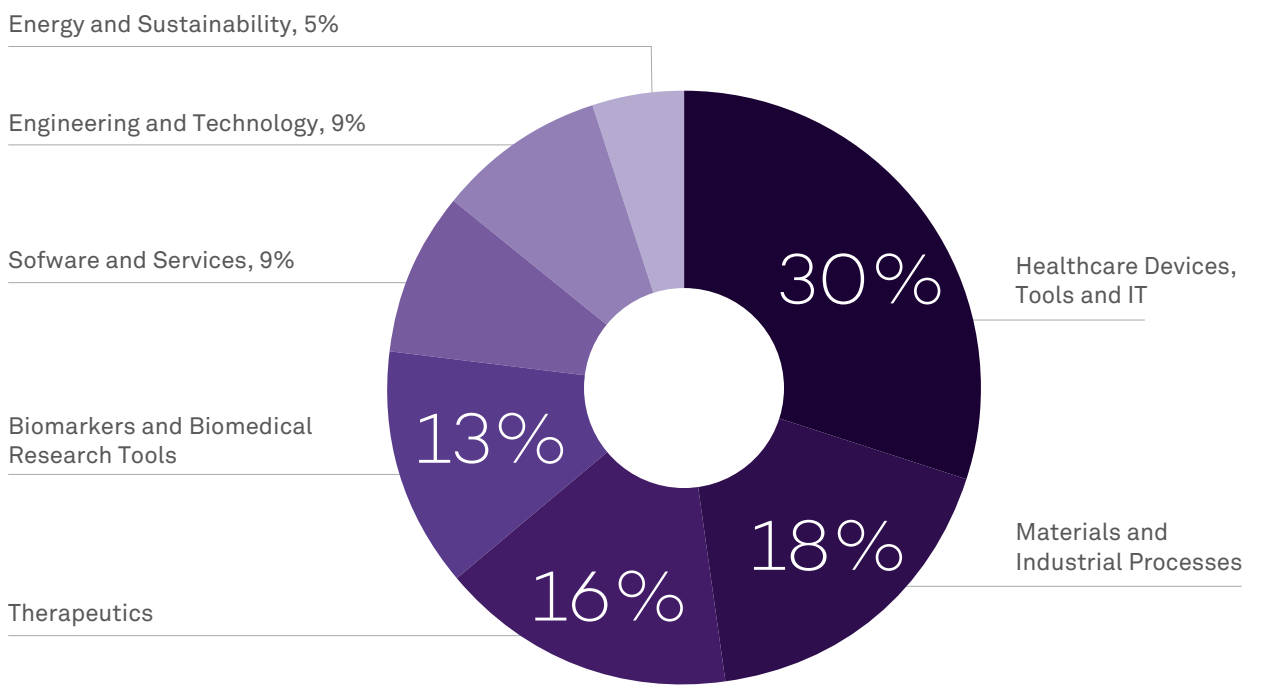


Figure 3. Inventions by category





“Our mission is to get Northwestern research and technologies from the lab and into the public space and to accomplish that we continue to strengthen our infrastructure with a variety of different and distinct mechanisms that help entrepreneurs turn their research into real-world applications.”—Lisa Dhar, INVO Director of New Business Ventures for Engineering

ADDING VALUE TO PROPEL COMMERCIALIZATION

NNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES NEVER SPRINT from the lab to the real world. From computer software to electronics, medical devices to nanotechnology, commercialization requires research, market validation, testing, and plenty more to reach the public’s hands—an arduous, complex, and necessary journey.

Over the last year, INVO has unveiled a series of new programs designed to “add value” to University-based innovations and drive marketplace debuts:

NewCures

Best characterized by Lyrica and Naurex, Northwestern claims a rich history of bringing therapeutic technologies to market. The NewCures accelerator program builds upon this legacy, helping scientists translate their fundamental research into “industry-ready” compounds positioned to enter pre-clinical development and attract investment. NewCures joins the recently established N.XT fund in strengthening the funding ecosystem for advancing Northwestern research to commercialization.

INVOForward

Modeled after the National Science Foundation’s I-Corps program, INVOForward aims to accelerate biomedical commercialization—medical devices, therapeutics, and health IT—by supporting entrepreneurs in the customer discovery process. This year, the INVOForward, a cohort of seven faculty teams focused on medical devices, has begun working with subject matter experts on assessing market need, defining prospective customers, overcoming regulatory hurdles, and building a sound financial framework.

Stage Zero Resources

Established to increase Northwestern’s pipeline of research-based startups, INVO’s Stage Zero program helps early-stage ventures conquer commercialization’s common pain points. Through different components of the program, the University provides subsidies for a

portion of startup costs in critical areas such as law and finance, subsidies for use of University Core Facilities, and access to space on campus. Seven startups are part of the first year cohort of Stage Zero companies including:

CycloPure: Developed first ever adsorption technologies that capture and remove toxic chemicals and making systems that can be used in industries and treatment facilities to make water safe. *Prof. Will Dichtel*

Epicore Biosystems: Creating soft microfluidics devices in the form of flexible, stick-on patches that measure biomarkers present in sweat for health status determination. *Prof. John Rogers*

Integrated Protein Technologies (IPT): Advancing protein measurement technologies for use in pharmaceutical development and medical diagnostics. *Prof. Neil Kelleher*

Microbial Pharmaceuticals: Utilizing an advanced genomics and analytical chemistry platform to mine microorganisms for novel chemical substances. *Prof. Neil Kelleher*

StarSight: Developing 3D vision systems for consumer electronics and robotics markets. *Prof. Hooman Mohseni*

TERA-print: Providing instruments and services to rapidly prototype nanostructured devices for research or commercial purposes. *Prof. Chad Mirkin*

Third Coast Therapeutics: Developing orally active small molecules to stop the spread of cancer. *Prof. Karl Scheidt*

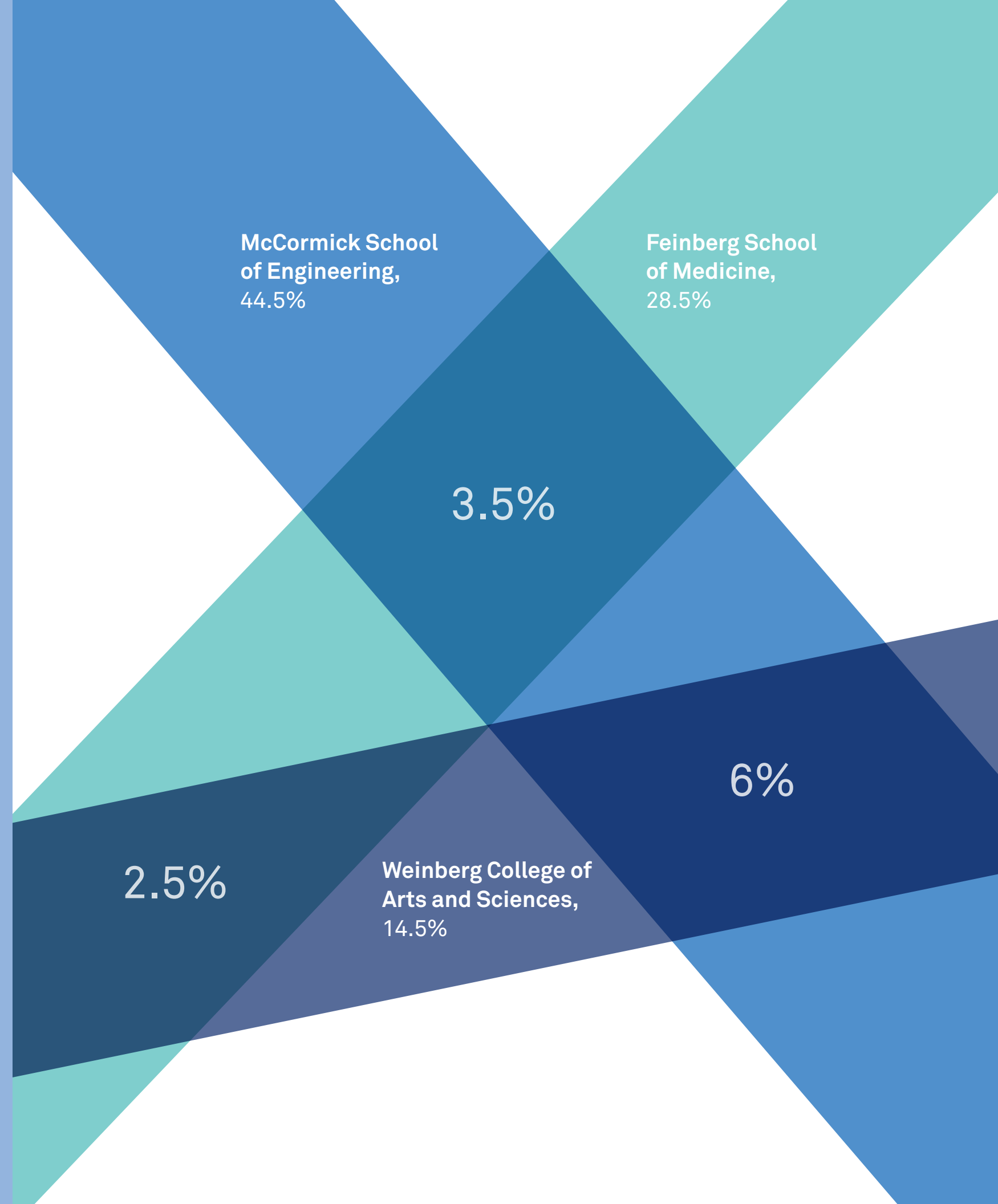
Regulatory Support

To bring a medical device to market, entrepreneurs must clear various regulatory hurdles. INVO streamlines commercialization by helping entrepreneurs address the inevitable regulatory questions that will arise, including offering targeted advice on preparing an application package for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Karl A. Scheidt (left), Weinberg College of Arts & Sciences Professor; Executive Director, NewCures; Director, Northwestern Center for Molecular Innovation and Drug Discovery (CMIDD).

COLLABORATION
IS ONE OF THE
PILLARS OF
HIGH QUALITY
INVENTIONS

FIGURE 4. As a University, we promote intellectual curiosity, encourage diversity of thought, and challenge our community—faculty and students alike—to be daring, visionary thinkers.



**WE CONTINUE TO PROMOTE
ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND
SCHOLARLY STRENGTH
SIMULTANEOUSLY**

Figures 5, 6 and 7 illustrate inventive activity within each school.

Figure 5. McCormick School of Engineering inventions by department

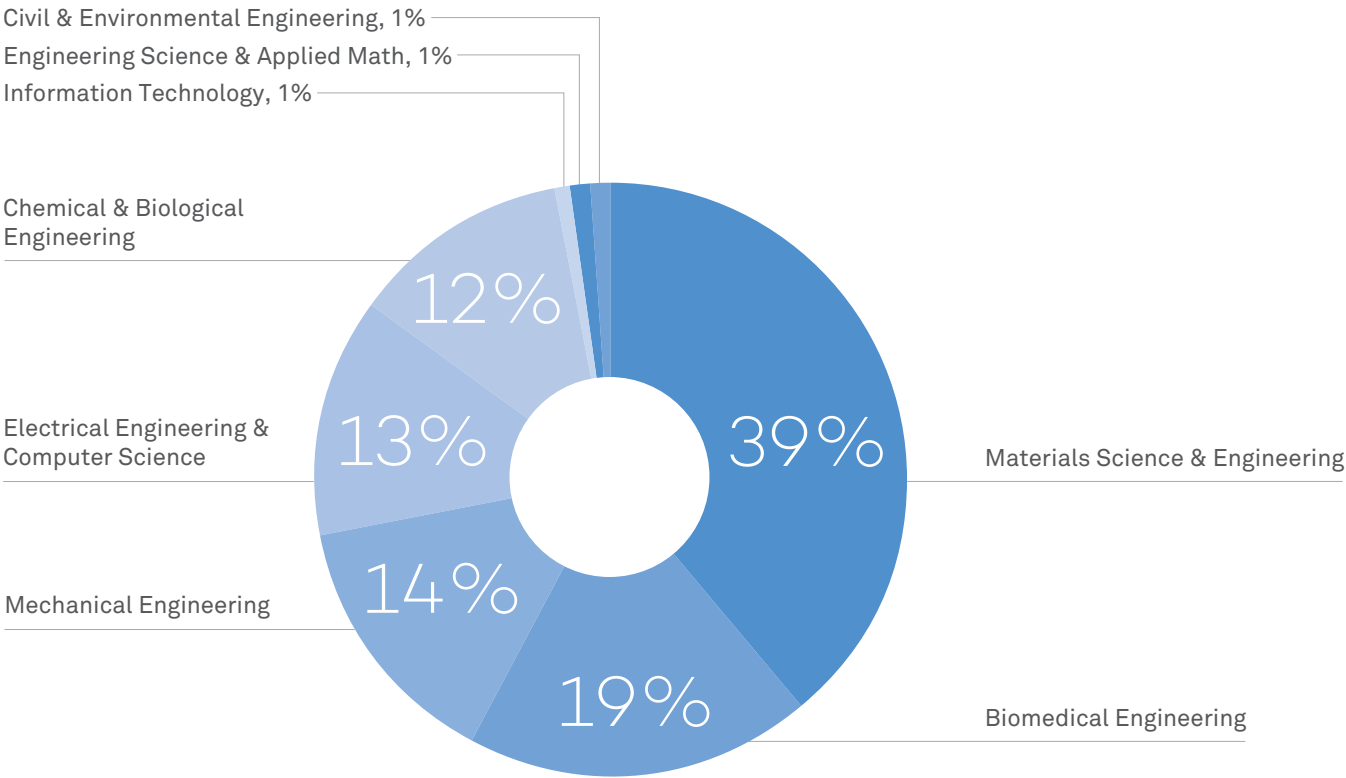


Figure 6. Feinberg School of Medicine inventions by department

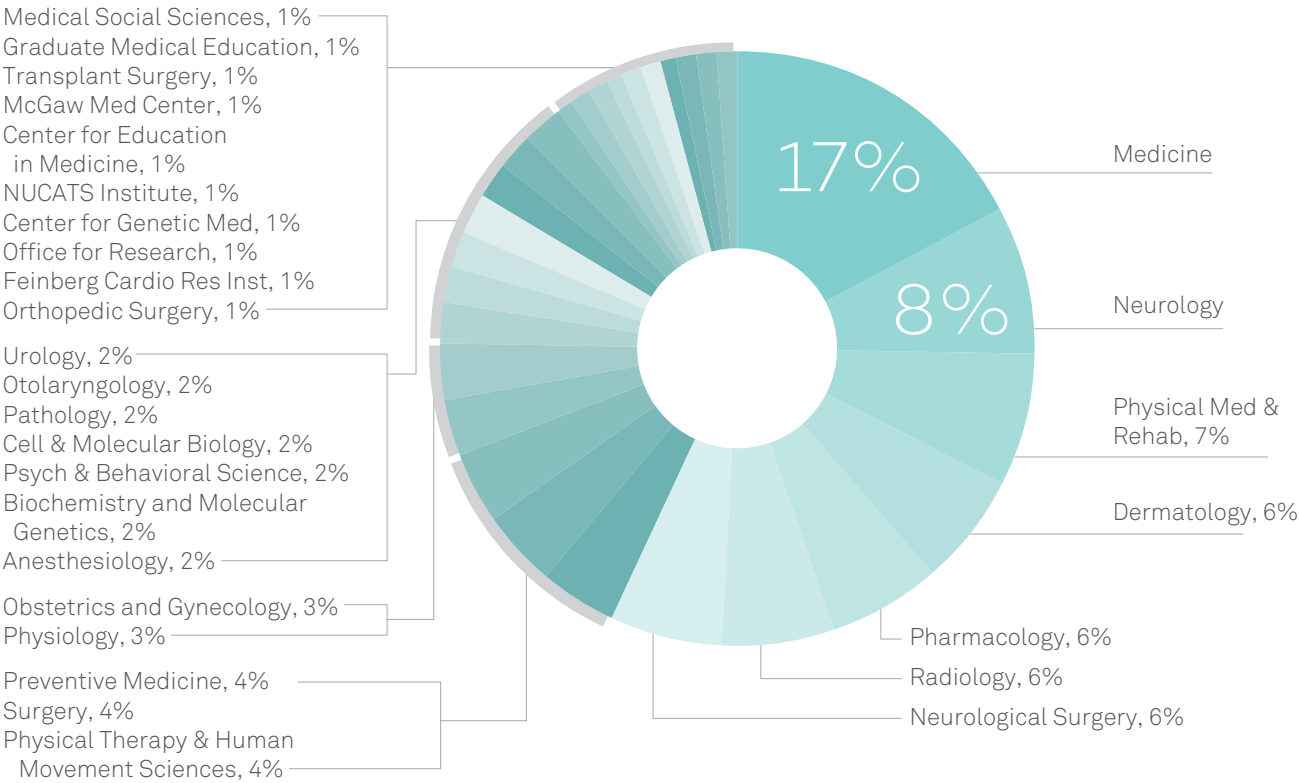
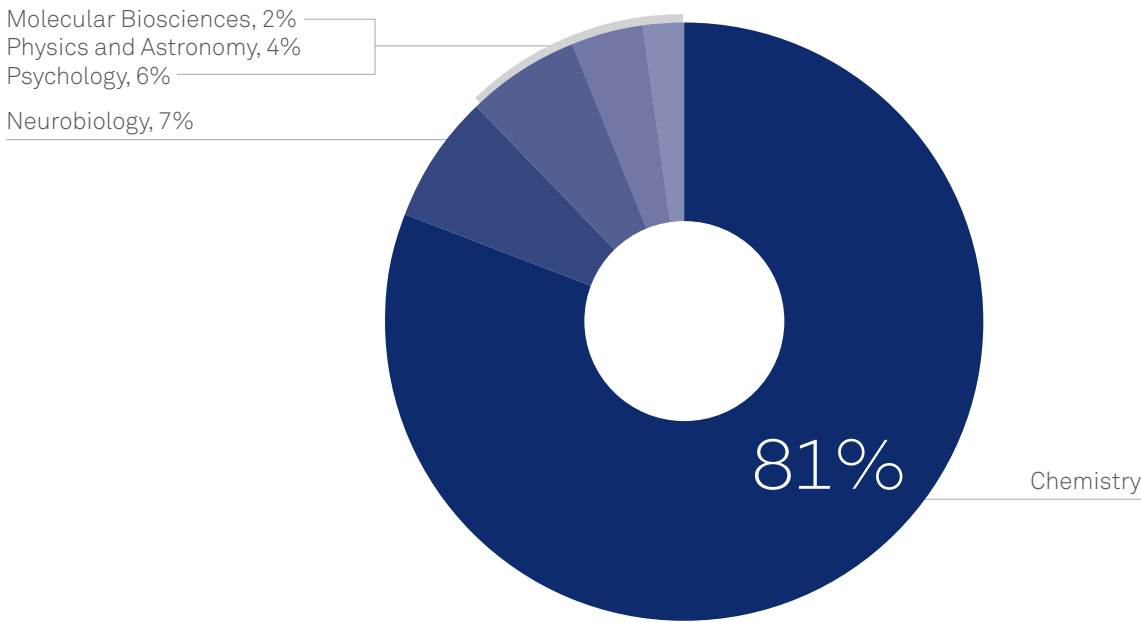


Figure 7. Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences inventions by department





WHY NORTHWESTERN CHAMPIONS STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP

FROM HIS FIRST DAYS as a Northwestern undergraduate in 2015, Lucas Philips knew he wanted to launch a company. With the help of The Garage, Northwestern's two-year-old, on-campus innovation hub for students, Philips accomplished his objective.

With access to mentors, a professional workspace, and a collaborative peer environment, Philips built BrewBike into a viable business that now employs 30 team members and provides Northwestern community members their daily caffeine fix from a pair of retail locations: a mobile, four-wheeled quad—the aptly named BrewBike—and an Annenberg Hall kiosk.

Philips' entrepreneurial adventure with BrewBike continues to pull him from his comfort zone, challenging him to grow, learn, and develop new skills he knows will prove invaluable throughout life.

And that is precisely why Northwestern promotes and supports student entrepreneurship: to expand the

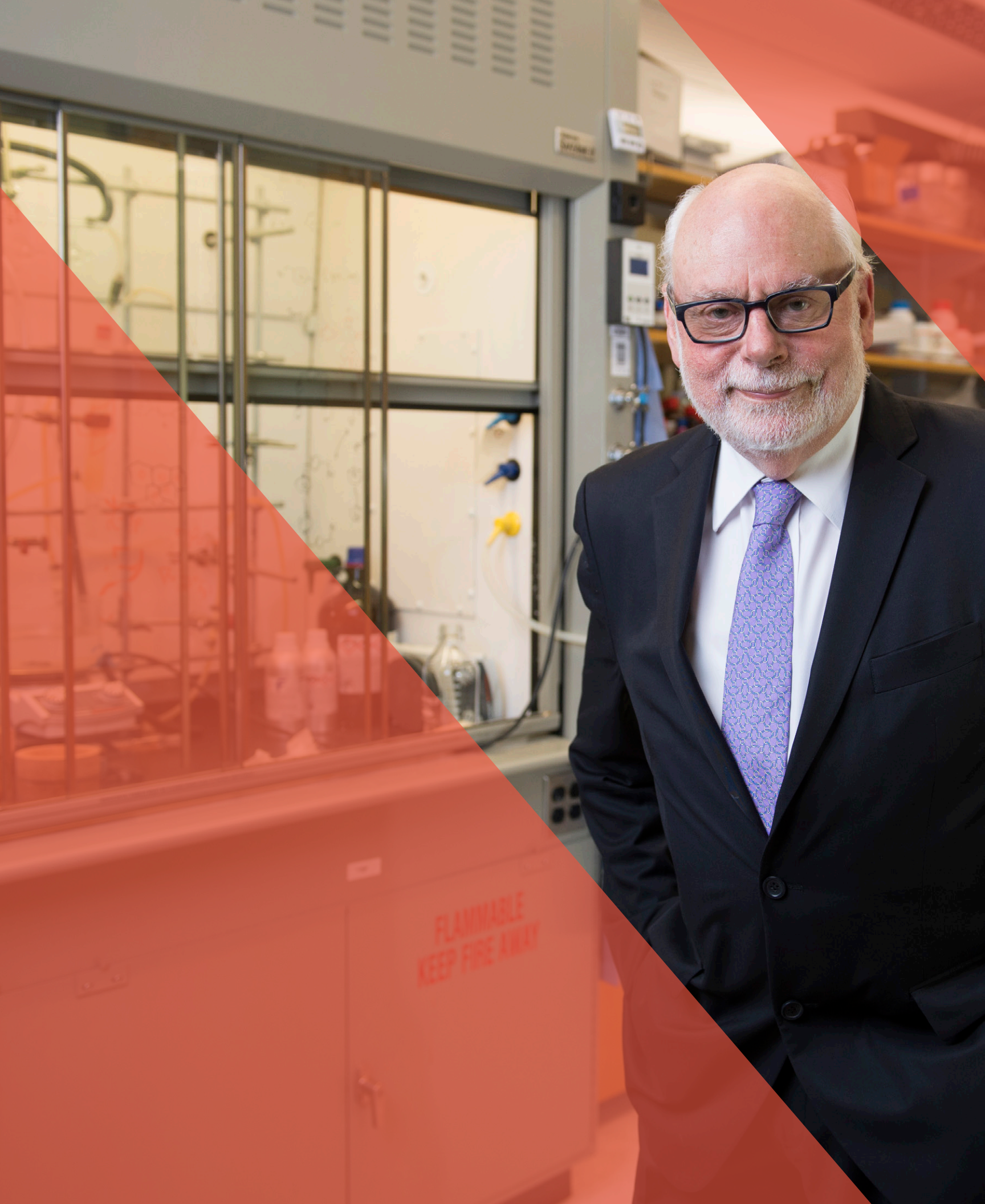
academic experience beyond the classroom and provide practical life skills such as empathy, resiliency, persistence, and resourcefulness that will enrich and power students' lives.

Whether pursuing their own entrepreneurial efforts at places like The Garage, which serves approximately 60 Resident teams each quarter, or working alongside faculty to commercialize ambitious research, Northwestern encourages students to be innovators, to take risks, to rebound from struggles, and to shape an adventure uniquely their own with the critical lessons of their entrepreneurial journey serving as motivation and guidance.

"We aim to instill confidence in students to become self-starters, giving them a safe space to take risks and innovate, and provide a valuable entrepreneurial experience they can call upon as they forge their own paths to success," says Melissa Kaufman, Executive Director of The Garage.

"I have learned that the vision of where or who we want to be is the greatest asset we have and that entrepreneurs are people who transform industries by pursuing ideas that were once unthinkable. That is the kind of person I want to become in the future!"—Eduardo Uriarte Ruiz (Kellogg '17), who worked on his startup, Kairos Air, as a Resident at The Garage before joining transportation startup Via in 2017

Melissa Kaufman, Executive Director of The Garage, and The Garage team (left), meeting with Resident students gathered for weekly Family Dinner, when The Garage community comes together to hear from a visiting entrepreneur.



AN UNDENIABLE SYNERGY BETWEEN SCIENTIFIC EXCELLENCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

JOHN ROGERS' (MCCORMICK, FEINBERG) entrepreneurial prowess is evident in his possession of more than 80 patents, over 50 of which are licensed or in active use, while his prolific research has earned him spots in the National Academy of Engineering, the National Academy of Sciences, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences as well as a MacArthur "genius grant."

For Rogers, the two—research and entrepreneurship—are not exclusive entities, but rather synergistic partners that inform and fuel the creation of game-changing technologies.

Consider Wearifi, Rogers' upstart venture offering millimeter-scaled devices that monitor an individual's health status or their exposure to environmental hazards such as ultraviolet light from the sun. Rogers and his team developed the core technology inside Northwestern's labs, consistently driven to establish a foundational understanding of the underlying science while also possessing an appreciation for its commercialization prospects. Today, the work has transitioned out of his academic group and into a separate, commercially oriented team at Wearifi to productize the technology through a joint development agreement with global cosmetic powerhouse L'Oréal.

Rogers' two other current startup ventures—Epicore, which produces microfluidic devices for performing

chemical analyses of sweat, and Neurolux, which sells implantable wireless devices that allow neuroscientists to study the function of the brain—are similarly rooted in foundational research with the potential of broader societal impact.

Rogers is among a number of Northwestern faculty members pairing the highest levels of scholarship with ambitious entrepreneurial vision. Among many others:

- Chad Mirkin (Weinberg) and his heralded startups Exicure, TERA-Print, CDJ, Nanosphere, and NanoInk
- Dimitri Krainc's (Feinberg) Lysosomal Therapeutics Inc., a startup he founded while at Harvard, and Ulara, a Northwestern startup, cultivate new therapies for patients with severe neurological diseases
- Sam Stupp (McCormick, Weinberg, Feinberg), whose NanoSlurry AEB medical device is on the brink of FDA approval
- Sir Fraser Stoddart (Weinberg), the recent Nobel Prize honoree driving a pair of compelling startups in Cycladex and PanaceaNano
- Sossina Haile (McCormick), who continues to develop commercially promising solar fuel machines while actively engaged in numerous entrepreneurial ventures
- Vadim Backman (McCormick) and his early cancer detection instrumentation startups, American BioOptics, NanoCytomics, Preora Diagnostics, and Unicorn Therapeutics

"For me, research and entrepreneurship are intimately linked and can greatly impact the world when they are configured together in a proper way. That's something I aspire to as a scientist. When my career is over, I want be able to point to more than a stack of published papers. I hope to leave a legacy of advanced technologies of value to society."—John Rogers, Louis Simpson and Kimberly Querrey Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, and Neurological Surgery

Sir J. Fraser Stoddart (left), Board of Trustees Professor of Chemistry. Professor Stoddart was awarded the 2016 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his development of a "rotaxane" a tiny molecular machine that can perform a task when energy is added.

STRIVING TO
IMPROVE THE
DIVERSITY OF
INVENTORSHIP AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Figures 8, 9 and 10 represent the gender distribution of tenured and tenure-eligible faculty and the percentage of whom have disclosed inventions during FY 2017.

Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences percentages represent faculty from the departments of Chemistry, Molecular Biosciences, Neurobiology and Psychology.

Figure 8. McCormick School of Engineering inventors among tenured and tenure-eligible faculty

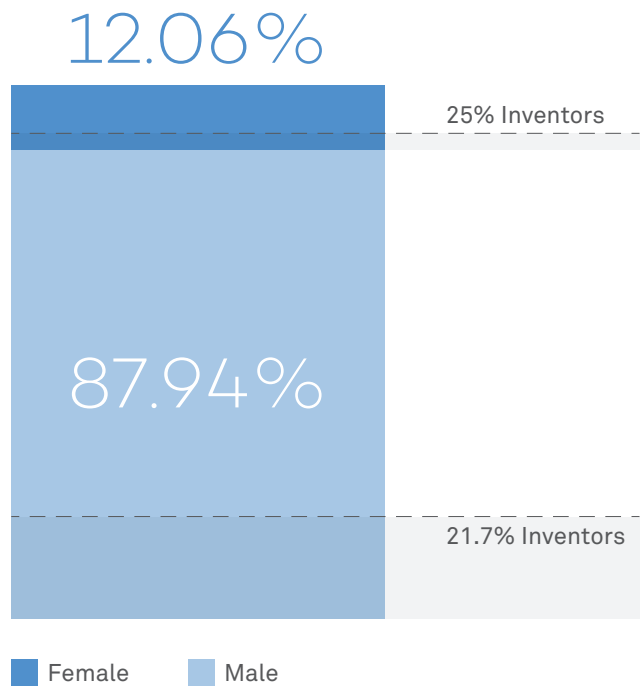


Figure 9. Feinberg School of Medicine inventors among tenured and tenure-eligible faculty

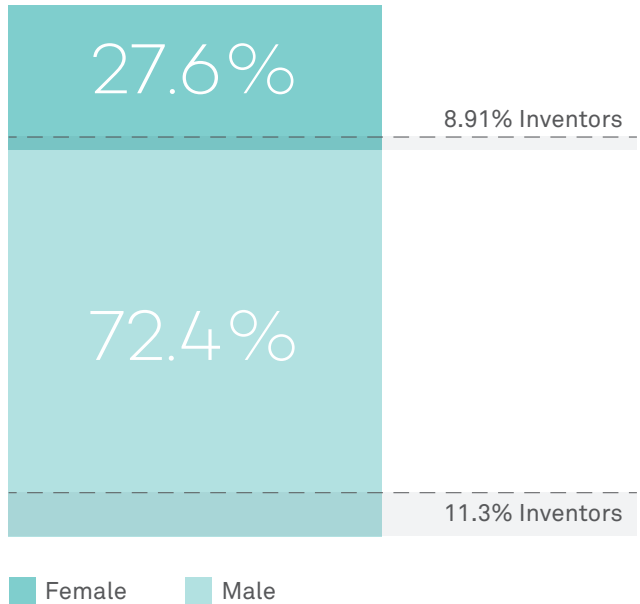
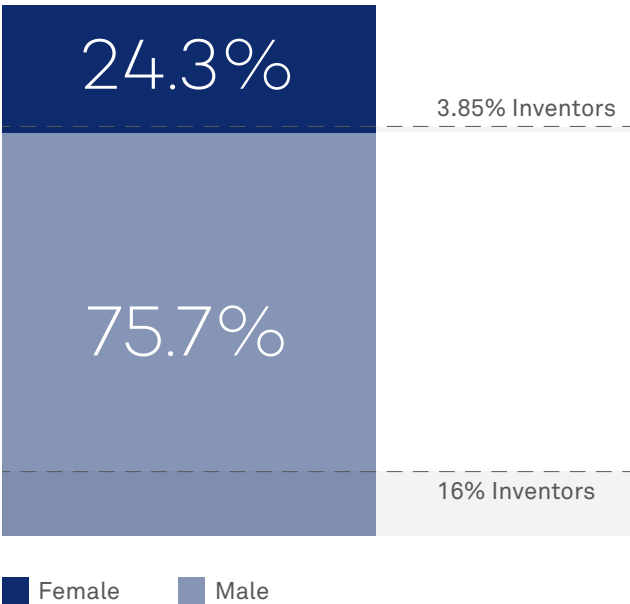


Figure 10. Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences inventors among tenured and tenure-eligible faculty





**EXPANDING THE LOCAL ENTREPRENEURIAL ECOSYSTEM—
AND WHY IT IS GOOD FOR NORTHWESTERN**

I**N THE ENTREPRENEURIAL ARENA,** Northwestern University is not interested in maintaining the status quo.

Through a range of partnerships, Northwestern plays a burgeoning role in the region's entrepreneurial ecosystem and it is one that delivers rich value to the University: magnifying its voice and influence in the area's ever-growing startup scene; bolstering research at campus laboratories; affording Northwestern an early foothold in emerging research areas; and providing faculty and students access to impactful resources. Most importantly, this entrepreneurial ecosystem acts as a powerful magnet for talent and opportunities.

Ever-evolving relationships with Northwestern Memorial Hospital, the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab, and the Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, among other institutions, are helping to build one of the strongest and most innovative medical districts in the country, a bet that shrewd, inter-institutional alliances can drive life-changing technologies.

As a member of the Chicago Biomedical Consortium, a Searle Funds-supported collaboration among the Chicago area's preeminent medical institutions, Northwestern continues pursuing innovative discov-

eries aimed at transforming biomedical research and improving human health.

Meanwhile, a recent partnership with the Cleveland Clinic includes Northwestern's presence on a National Institutes of Health translational grant for medical devices, therapeutics, and health IT technologies. This partnership, together with INVO's NewCures accelerator reinstates Northwestern's leadership in biomedical innovation.

Through Northwestern's membership at three prominent Chicago area accelerators—1871, MATTER, and mHub—University-affiliated startups receive space alongside direct access to each environment's energized atmosphere of inspiration, information, and innovation.

And finally, partnerships with Horizon Pharma, Takeda, and MATTER have helped Northwestern champion increased diversity in innovation with efforts such as INVOReach, which promotes female participation on the boards of local startups.

Taken collectively, these partnerships ensure Northwestern maintains robust connection points to Chicago's vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem and its daring, industry-driving innovations that stimulate a better Northwestern, a better Chicago, and a better world.

"Through our partnerships, we want to translate technologies from the bench to the real world, that have impact on human lives, and we also want to create startups, jobs, and contribute to the economic development that adds value to our region and the world..."—Dimitra Georganopoulou, INVO Innovation and Commercialization Officer

Epicore Biosystems (left). Creating soft microfluidics devices in the form of flexible, stick-on patches that measure biomarkers present in sweat for health status determination (Prof. John Rogers).

PATENT FILING INCREASED 8.4% FROM FY16. Figure 11 shows patents filed in FY17 per school. Patent filing is consistent with the invention disclosure activity reported in Figure 2. Figure 12 illustrates the breakout of patents filed in FY17.

Provisional patents: Approximately 60% to 70% of all invention disclosures are filed as provisional patents; approximately 50%–60% are converted into non-provisional patents within a year. Filing a provisional patent application before filing a Utility application presents several advantages:

- Relatively inexpensive, and allows the inventor to spend one year gathering more data resulting in a stronger patent application;
- Allows INVO to conduct a more in depth commercial assessment of

the invention and identification of potential licensees; and

- Delays the formal filing date, which results in a later patent expiration date.

Non-Provisional (Utility) patent applications: The filing of a Utility patent starts the official examination process with the USPTO to determine if the invention is patentable. The USPTO review of a patent application can take several years.

PCT applications: A PCT is an international treaty with more than 145 Contracting States. The PCT makes it possible to seek patent protection for an invention simultaneously in a large number of countries by filing a single “international” patent. A PCT application must be followed up within 18 months by entering into national or regional phases to

proceed towards grant of one or more patents. Foreign prosecutions are very expensive. INVO files in specific countries (National Phase) only when there is a licensee for the patent.

Continuing patent applications (CIP): These are patent applications that follow and claim priority to an earlier filed patent application.

EPO Validation: Granted European patents that are in the process of validation in individual states.

Divisional patent applications: Patent applications with claims that were divided out of the original filed application and which have to be re-submitted as a separate application.

Figure 13 illustrates that patent filings span many disciplines and markets.

Figure 11. Filed patent applications by school

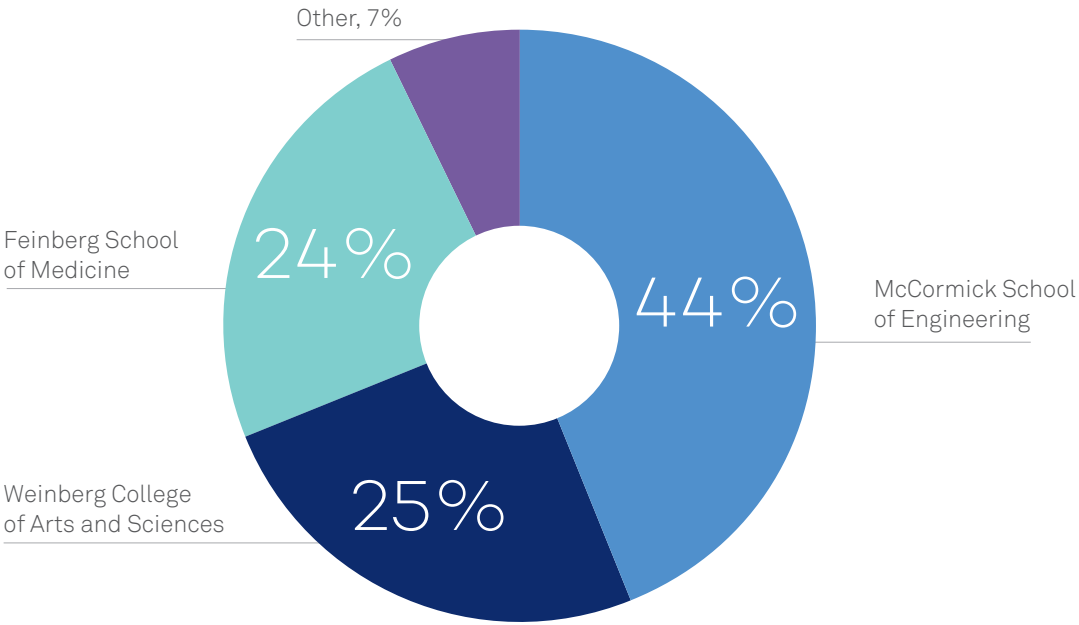


Figure 12. Filed patent applications by type

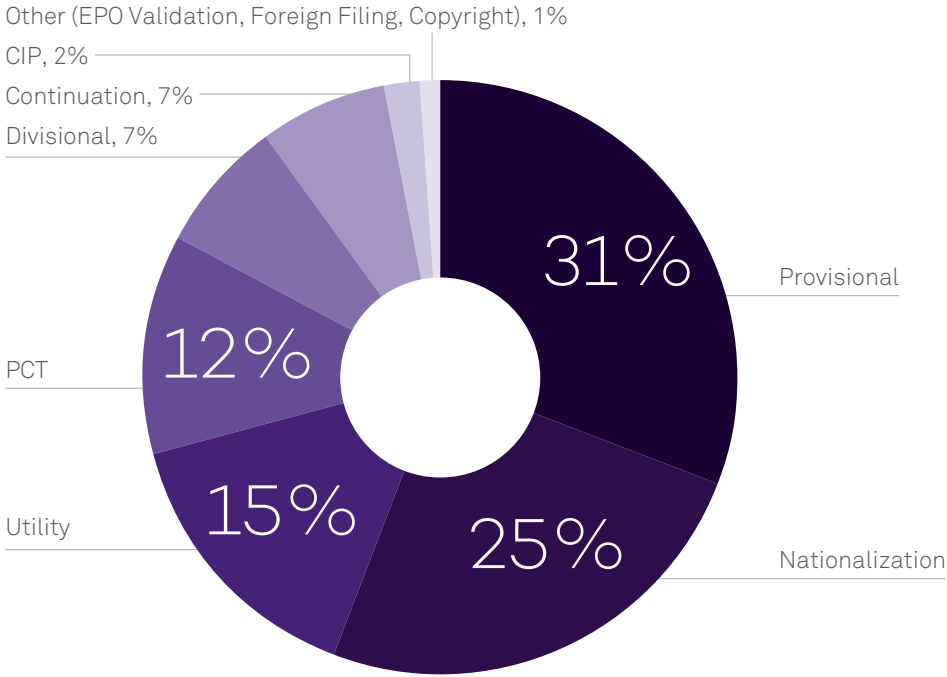
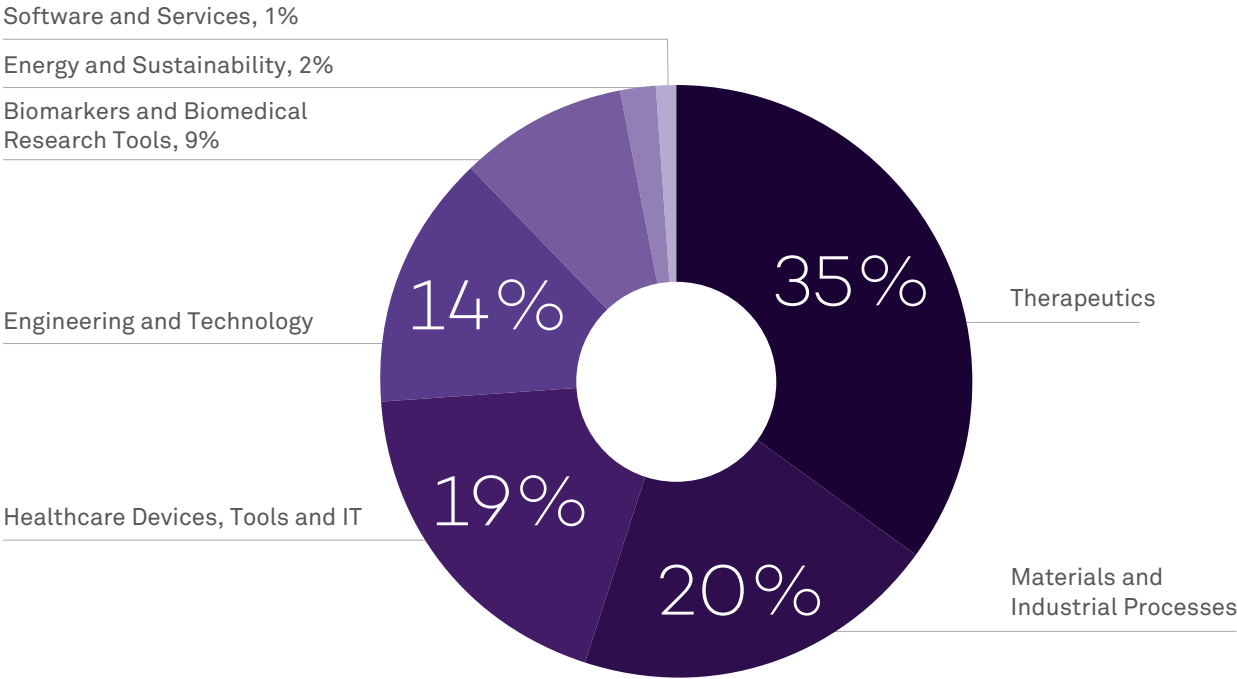
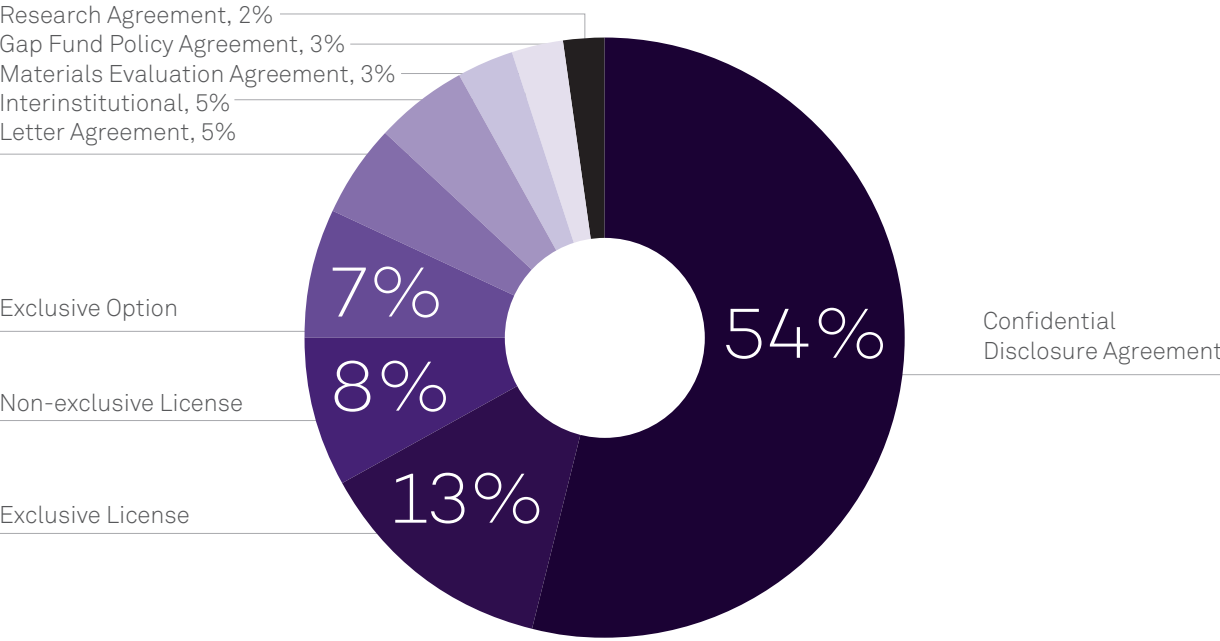


Figure 13. Issued patent applications by category



THERE ARE THREE
MAIN PATHS TO
COMMERCIALIZE
ACADEMIC INVENTIONS:
LICENSE TO
DEVELOPERS,
LICENSE TO SPINOUTS,
OR PARTNERING.

Figure 14. Agreements by type



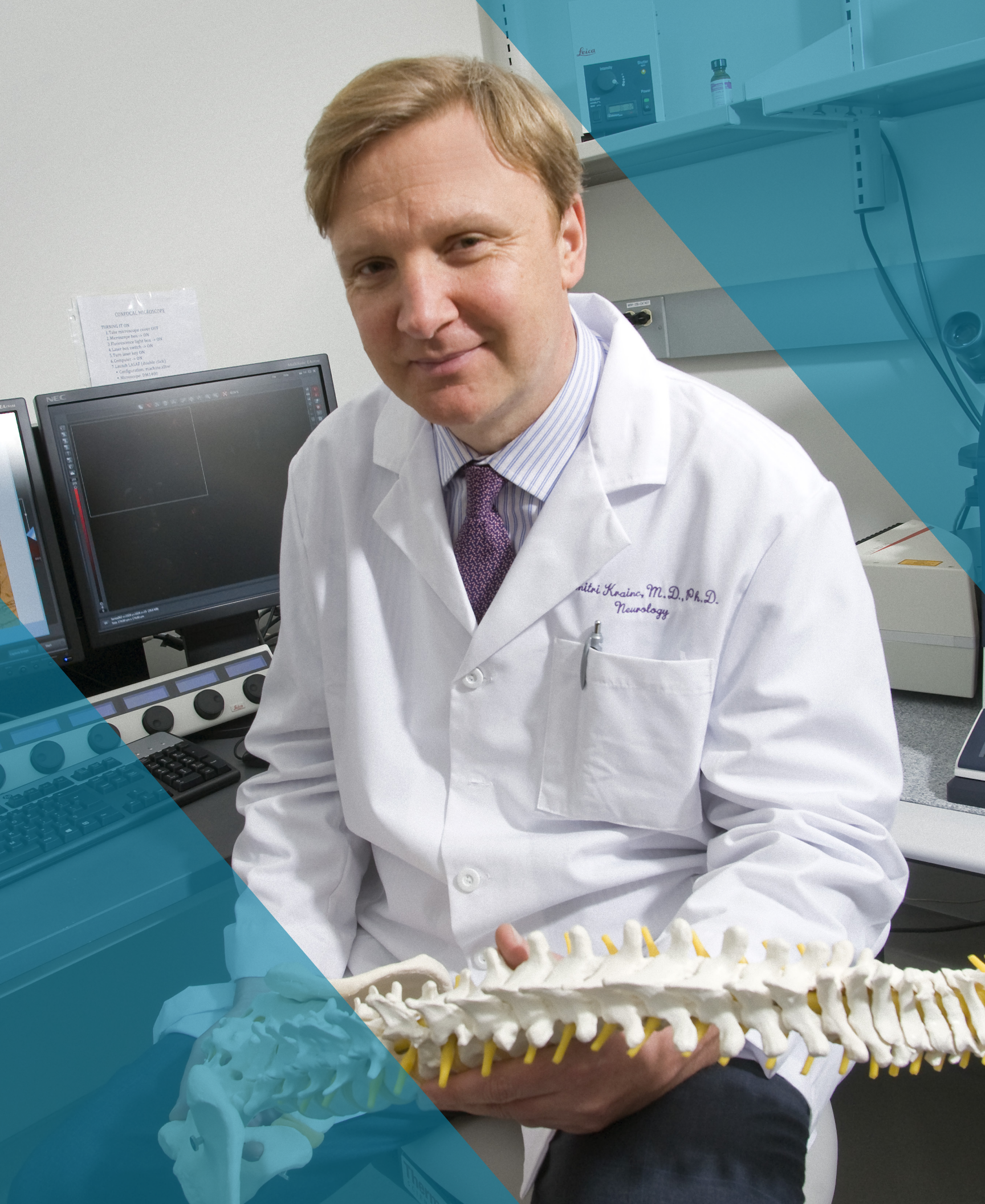
INVO executed 210 agreements during FY17, representing a 24% growth compared to FY16 and more than two and a half times the agreements in FY15. Agreements ranged from interinstitutional agreements to material evaluation agreements and licenses.

The volume of agreements signals a continuing growing external interest in Northwestern’s inven-

tions. There are three main paths to commercialize academic invention: license to developers, license to spinouts, or partner with commercial entities. Most co-development partnerships will include some type of licensing agreement as well.

Exclusive licenses or options are generally executed for technologies that require significant private investment to reach the marketplace

or are so early stage that exclusivity is necessary to induce investment needed to determine utility.



FROM GENOMICS TO PHOTONICS: NORTHWESTERN RESEARCHERS
TAKE AIM AT NEURODEGENERATIVE DISEASES

UPPWARDS OF FIVE MILLION INDIVIDUALS across the U.S.—and millions more around the globe—suffer from neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer’s, Parkinson’s, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), and Huntington’s disease. These conditions, which cannot be prevented, cured, or even slowed, impact essential activities from balance and breathing to speech and heart function, weakening the quality of life for those battling the disease and taxing caregivers as well as the healthcare system.

With neurodegenerative diseases prone to strike later in life, experts forecast increased incidence rates as life expectancies climb, a reality that only heightens the urgency to find suitable treatments, if not full-blown cures.

That pressing human and global challenge continues fueling the creativity of Northwestern researchers.

Over the last three years, Hooman Mohseni (McCormick) has been leading a team of scientists using light

to enable simultaneous communication between thousands of neurons, something only done today on small scale. Mohseni’s promising work has the potential to study neurodegenerative diseases at the single-neuron level and to impede the impact of these crippling diseases by reconnecting neurons.

Clinical neurologist and physician scientist Dimitri Krainc (Feinberg), meanwhile, is researching neurodegenerative diseases at the molecular level. Insights from this research, he says, will help pinpoint targets and pathways amenable to intervention. As one example, Krainc and his team studied an enzyme linked to Parkinson’s called GBA, specifically investigating how loss of this enzyme contributes to Parkinson’s and potential ways to make it active.

It’s complex, challenging, and consuming work, Krainc acknowledges, but absolutely necessary to combat these debilitating diseases.

“Our patients and their families provide constant inspiration. Today, we can help those facing these devastating diseases through clinical exams and certain interventions, but the most significant help will come through research and efforts to discover cures. That’s our driving focus because that’s what our patients and their families expect and deserve.”—Dimitri Krainc, Aaron Montgomery Ward Professor and Chair of the Ken & Ruth Davee Department of Neurology at Northwestern University

Dimitri Krainc (left), Aaron Montgomery Ward Professor and chair of Neurology.

NORTHWESTERN STARTUPS RAISED MORE THAN \$85 MILLION IN FY17

FY2017 was a banner year for NU startups and SBIR/STTR awards—\$11.7M in awards. (The average over the last decade for NU startups was \$6.2M/year.)

An important metric for startup success is the ability to fundraise from the private sector In FY17,

Northwestern startups raised more than \$90M and signed more than \$1B in co-development agreements.

The outstanding success of these startups is proven validation of the quality of Northwestern’s inventions.

These companies included: 4C Insights, Narrative Science, Exicure, and Flextera.

Figure 17. Startups by school

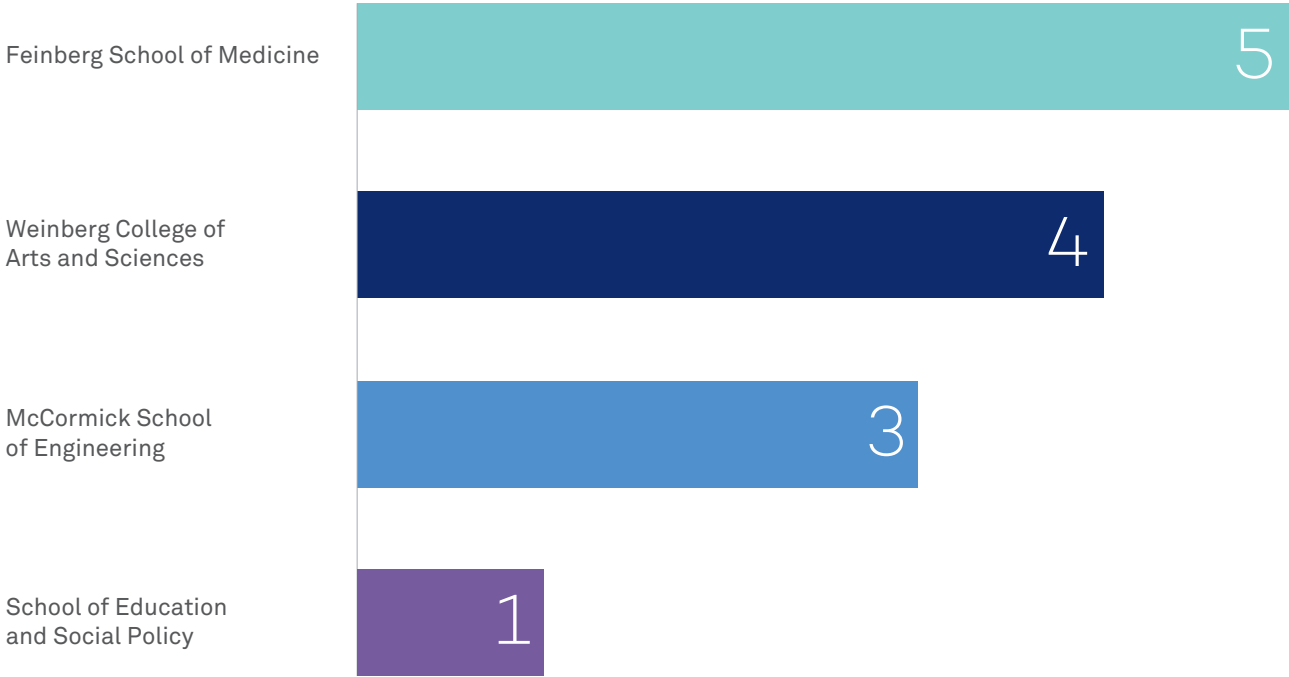


Figure 18. FY17 Startups



APPENDIX

BIOMARKERS

Biomarker for Colitis
Biomarker for Early Stage Cancers
Biomarker for Female Egg Quality
Biomarkers for Glioma Treatment Response
Biomarkers for Prostate Disease
Biomarkers for PTSD and Depression
Cardiac Stress Test with MRI
Genetic Marker for ALS
Imaging for Steroid
Marker for Chronic Pelvic Pain
Method for Screening <i>P. Aeruginosa</i> Strains
UTI Management

NUCLEIC ACIDS

RNA-Directed Gene Editing
Lung Gene Transfer
Nuclear Lamins Expression Vector
Clock Gene cDNA
Timeless gene cDNA
pAN1: ElectroTfm of Clostridium
Luciferase Reporter with hsp70.1
C. acetobutylicum Gene Expression Plasmids
Hollow Nanoflares

ANTIBODIES

CD31, CD87 and CD15 mAbs
Tubulointerstitial Nephritis Antibody
Myeloid Restricted CD13 mAb
HSP70, HSC70 and HSP72 mAbs
mAb Murine Hybridoma: Vascular Endothelial Ag
Influenza Virus M2 mAb
Mutant HSP70/BiP/grp78 mAbs
Importin β1 mAb
PGSL-1 mAb
mAb for Tau Truncated at Residue 412
Human γ2 Laminin C-Terminal mAb
Human and Rat α3 Laminin mAbs
Hemidesmosome BP230 mAb
Hemidesmosome BP180 mAb
Rat Laminin-332 α3 subunit mAb
α4 Laminin mAb
Tau Nitrosylated Tyr18 mAb
Tau Nitrosylated Tyr29 mAb
Tau PAD Region mAb (TNT-1)
HSF1 and HSF2 mAbs
Lamin A and C mAbs

Mouse
Rat
Rabbit

CELL LINES

Cholinergic Neurons from Stem Cells
Retinal Muller Cell Line
MM.1 Myeloma Cell Lines
E. coli Isolated from Human Prostate
S. cerevisiae H4S47C

Mammalian
Bacterial
Yeast

MOUSE MODELS

Tg Mouse for Amyloid Pathogenesis
Superoxide Dismutase Tg Mice
Mt Clock Gene Tg Mice: Circadian Rhythm
Per2-Luciferase Tg Mice: Circadian Rhythm
BMP4 Tg Mice: FOP Clock Tg Mice: Diabetes
Uchl1-eGFP Tg Mice: Motor Neurons in ALS
Spinal Motor Neutron Degeneration Tg Mice
Human Trace Amine Associated Receptor
Dyrk-1 Conditional KO
MLCK210 KO Mice: Acute Lung Injury
Synapse Dysgenesis KO Mice

Transgenic
Knock-out

MISCELLANEOUS

Reverse Transfection Technique
Ex Vivo Female Reproductive System
Non-Toxic Probe for Cell Staining
Cell Sorting Method Based on Motility
High Throughput 3D Transfected Cell Arrays
Biomarker for Replicative Senescence
Fluorescent Sensors for Zinc
Cell-Free Yeast Protein Synthesis
Methods for Ribosome Production
Exosome Targeting
Tethered Ribosome Production
Enhanced Gene Silencing by RNAi
Scaffolds for Artificial Ovary
Detergent-Free Membrane Solubilization
Raman Spectroscopy for Anthrax Detection
Raman Biosensor for Multianalyte Detection
Partition Layer for Raman Nanobiosensor

CONCEPT	LABORATORY PROTOTYPE	COMMERCIAL PROTOTYPE	HUMAN TESTING	APPROVAL AND MARKETING
3D Printed Intraocular Lens	3D Printed Soy Scaffolds	Metabolic Optical Coherence Tomography	3D Suture	AF Electrogram Analytics Software
3D Printing of Endovascular Stents	Adaptable Ankle Foot Prosthesis	Micro Drug Delivery Device	Poly (Diol-Co-Citrate) Hydroxyapatite Composite	AF Peak Detection
A Novel Hydroxyapatite Composite	Adhesive Hydrogels for Surgery	MRE Passive Driver	Atrial Fibrillation Diagnostic	Cement Mixer
Analysis of Multiplexed Bead-Based Assays	Anthrax Detection	Multi-Input Cantilever	Ankle Prosthesis	Northwestern Anagram Test (NAT)
Cartilage Coupled Peptide Polymers	Anti-Microbial Hydrogel Coatings	Multimodal T1-T2 MRI Contrast Agents	Automated fMRI for Clinic	Northwestern Assessment of Verbs & Sentences (NAVS)
Catheter for Gene Therapy	App for Movement Disorders	Nanofabricated Glucose Sensor	Bioscaffolds for Replacement Ovaries	Northwestern Naming Battery (NNB)
Extracellular Matrix with Anticoagulant Properties	Arsenoplatins for Cancer Treatment	Nanoparticles for Diagnosis and Therapy	Brain Wave Processing to Enhance Sleep	Rehabilitation Devices
Imaging & Therapeutic Nanoconjugates	Artificial Blood Capillary Beds	Nanostructures for CNS Cancers	Cell Therapy for Diabetes	Treatment of Underlying Forms (TUF)
Left Atrial Appendage Occluder Device	Atrial Fibrillation Electrograms	Novel Chalco-Halides for Imaging	Central Line Insertion Training Curriculum	
Microfluidic Device for Detection of Circulating Tumor Cells	Biocompatible Hydrogels	Parylene Membranes for Drug Delivery	Diaphragm-Based Hybrid Prosthetic Vacuum Pump	
Nanostructures for Alzheimer's Diagnosis	Biodegradable Drug Delivery	Peptide Conjugated MRI Contrast Agent	Evaluating Impact of Oxidative Stress on AF Electrograms	
Scar-Free Tissue Regeneration	Cardiac Tissue Ablation	Perovskites for Gamma-Ray Detection	Flexible Electronic Medical Device	
Sealants for Fetal Membrane Repair	Chalco-Halides for Medical Imaging	pH Responsive Polymer Caged Liposomes	Gas Sensor for Smart Chest Tube Drainage	Pre-Free Colon CA Screening
Self Assembled Bioadhesives	Chamber for <i>in situ</i> Wound Healing	pH Responsive Self-Healing Hydrogels	Hearing Test	Rehabilitation Robotics
	Coupling Therapeutic Agents to Tissues	pH-Sensitive Drug Delivery Polymers	Implantable Biomedical Sensors	
	Diabetes Matrices	Prosthetic Leg	Liquid Cast Biodegradable Drug Delivering Arterial Stent	
	DOPA Nanoparticles	Protein-Based Contrast Agents for MRI	Mammary Prosthesis	
	Electronic Biochip System	Real-Time Patient Volume Predictor Instrument	Motorized Software: Controlled Calibrator	
	Electronic Biochip System with Feedback	Self-Healing Hydrogels	MRI-Perfusion and Diffusion Mismatch	
	Ex Vivo Female Reproductive System	Shock Absorber for Prosthetic Leg	Nanodiamond Conjugates	
	Extra-Strength Hydrogel Adhesives	Soft Materials for Bioprinting	Neonatal Abdominal Surgery Trainer	
	ECM with Anticoagulant Properties for Tissue Engineering	Stroke Rehabilitation System	Optical and Acoustic Imaging	
	Female Fertility Test	Structured Illumination Microscopy	Partition Layer for Raman Nanobiosensor	
	Heavy Metals in Dried Blood Spots	Substrate-Independent Anticoagulant and Antibacterial Coatings	Photodetector for Infrared Imaging	
	Hydrogels for Improved Tissue Graft Survival	Thermoresponsive Cell Adhesive Bioresorbable Dressing	Point of Care Diagnostics	
	In Vivo Raman Glucose Sensor	Triple Balloon Catheter	Quantification of Cerebral Perfusion	
	ISOCT	Wearable for Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring	Raman Biosensor for Multianalyte Detection	
	IVC Filter Removal	Whisker Sensor	Raman Spectroscopy for Anthrax Detection	
	Left Ventricular Apex Surgical Technology	Zinc Sensor for MRI	RF Ablation Probe	
	Low Power Cochlear Implant		SERS Sensor for Lactate	
	Macromolecular MRI Contrast Agents		Silica Polymer Pen Lithography	
	Materials that Promote Bone Regeneration		SNR Improvements for Multi-Slice MRI	
	Membrane Coatings pH Sensitive Anticancer Drug Delivery		Substrate-Independent Adhesive Coating	
	Intrinsic-Contrast Super-Resolution Optical Microscope		Virtual Electrophysiologic Test	
			Vocal Cord Medialization	

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Antibiotic-Coated Nanoparticles	CD154 Trimer Stabilization: Immunity	Bladder Regeneration	Bladder Regeneration	Gene Regulation with NP-Nucleic Acid	
Bacterial NOS Inhibitors as Antibiotics	Compounds against Nodal Pathway (CA)	Gene Silencing Enhancers	Gene Therapy: Atrial Fibrillation	Chronic Pelvic Pain Vaccine	GLYX-13: Depression and Pain
Chromatin Therapy to Sensitize CA Cells	Compounds for CNS Diseases	Glucocerebrosidase Modulators	Gene Therapy: Atrial Fibrillation	E. Coli Isolated from Human Prostate	Lead Compounds for Neurodegeneration and Neuroinflammation
CXCR4 Modulators	Compounds: Neurologic Disorders	GLUT Antagonists Cancer 2	GABA Aminotransferase Inhibitors	Flavanones & Chromanones: Cancer	Metallophile Technology: Cancer
Exosomes: Cholesterol Modulation	Epstein-Barr Virus Inhibitors	GLUT Antagonists: Cancer 1	GABA Analogues: Hepatocellular Cancer	GABA Aminotransferase Inhibitors	Metallophile Technology: ID
Female Fertility Treatment	FFAR2 Agonists: Type 2 Diabetes	Herpes Virus Vaccine and Oncolytic Vectors	Glycosides for Cancer	Human Melanoma	NMDAR Modulators
FGF23 Normalizing Methods	Flufenamic Acid for Chronic Pain	Inflammation Modulator	Isradipine: Parkinson's	Liposome Coated Nanostructures	Organ Transplantation
Gene Therapy: Anti-Depression	G Protein Inhibitors: Cardiovascular	Inhibitors for Triple Negative Breast Cancer	Maspin Protein Mimics for Cancer Treatment	Medical Food	Small Molecules for Tourettes Syndrome
HDL-Like Nanoparticles: Inflammation	HIV Therapeutics	Inhibitors: Leukemia	Nanoparticulate Arsenic Platinum Drugs	Method to Control Dopaminergic Neuron Pacemaking	Treatments for Traumatic Brain Injury
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Kinase Inhibitors: Cancer	Megakaryocytic Leukemia Treatment	Maspin Protein Mimics for Cancer Treatment	Neurodegenerative Disease Therapy	NOS Targeting: Neurodegeneration	
MAPK Compounds: CNS Disorders	Megamolecule Synthetic Antibodies	Megakaryocytic Leukemia Treatment	Neuroprotective Therapeutics	Numonafide: Cancer Therapy	
MLCK Inhibitors	p53 Reactivators: Cancer	Megamolecule Synthetic Antibodies	Neuroprotective Therapeutics	Peptide Vaccine for Lupus	
Pro-Drugs: Streptococcus	Peptides for PEDF	p53 Reactivators: Cancer	Neurodegeneration	Peptide-Coupled Nanoparticles	
Scar-Free Tissue Regeneration	Peptides: Cancer	Peptides for PEDF	Peptides: Cancer	Peptides: Immune Tolerance	
Screen for Covalent Drugs	Plaque Digestion: Cardiovascular	Peptides: Cancer	Plaque Digestion: Cardiovascular	Preventing Allograft Rejection	
Sirtuin Inhibitors	Potential New Modulator of Angiogenesis	Small Molecule Antiviral Therapy	Small Molecules: Parkinson's Disease	Preventing Scar Formation	
Thermoresponsive Adhesive Dressing	Small Molecule Antiviral Therapy	Small Molecules against ALS	Triggered Release Arsenic: Cancer	Preventing UTI Symptoms	
	Small Molecules against ALS	Soft Materials for Bioprinting		Scaffolds for nNOS Inhibition	
	Soft Materials for Bioprinting	Stem Cell Signaling Molecules for Cancer Therapies		Self-Assembling Nanovirus	
	Stem Cell Signaling Molecules for Cancer Therapies	TGFB Inhibitor Transgene		Sensitization to Steroids	
	TGFB Inhibitor Transgene	Therapeutic Exosomes		Small Molecule: Liver Cancer	
	Therapeutic Exosomes	Urinary Tract Infection Vaccine		Small Molecule: Cancer Therapy	
	Urinary Tract Infection Vaccine			Small Molecules against Hepatocellular Carcinoma	
				Small Molecules: CNS Spherical Nucleic Acids: Gene Regulation	
				Statin for Hearing Loss Prevention & Therapy	
				Tau Monoclonal Antibodies	
				Topical Wound Treatment	
				VEGF Mimic to Treat Ischemia	
				Wound Healing with Antisense Molecules	

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