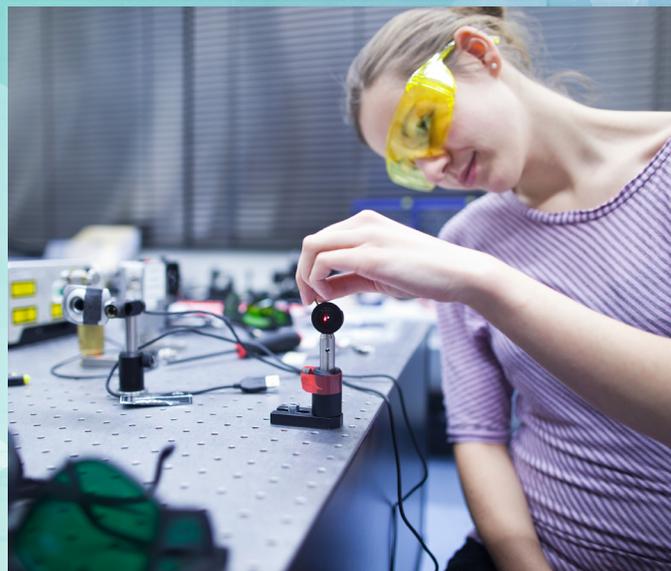


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The Florida High Tech Corridor Council's primary focus is to foster applied research between the universities and their high tech industry partners through its Matching Grants Research Program.

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The Corridor research funds have been used to engage more than 2,900 graduate and doctoral students or research assistants with nearly 400 faculty members in side-by-side research with scientists and engineers from private-sector companies.

"Commercial entities rarely fund research and development due to a primary focus on market-tested products. The Corridor's Matching Grants Research Program has enabled us to further our SBIR research to include learning transfer studies and validation testing. With this invaluable support, we are able to reach Technology Readiness Level 6 (TRL 6) which greatly increases commercialization of our end product."

**- Owen Nofuente, JHT
Director of Business Development and Programs**

The Corridor's Matching Grants Research Program (MGRP) is managed on the three university campuses by a committee of university researchers and Council partners. The committees review and approve proposals on a year-round basis.

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