

# MATCHING GRANTS RESEARCH PROGRAM

The internationally recognized Matching Grants Research Program (MGRP) of the Florida High Tech Corridor Council fosters applied research between high tech industry partners in the 23-county Corridor region and researchers from the University of Central Florida, the University of South Florida and the University of Florida.

The Corridor Council matches investments in research and development, enabling companies to maximize their budgets and tap into the expertise of faculty and student researchers from three of the nation's largest research institutions. Students often become employees of the companies they work with in the program and industry partners routinely form lasting research relationships with the universities.

## IMPACT

Since 1996, the MGRP has delivered an incredible return:

- 425 company participants
- 1,500 research projects
- 3,000 faculty and student researchers engaged
- \$80 million matching investment by The Corridor
- \$1 billion in downstream impacts

## GRANTS

**The Open Call:** For every \$1 of matching funds from The Corridor, the corporation provides a minimum of \$1. Awards typically range from \$10,000 to \$150,000.

**SBIR/STTR Phase II Match:** The Corridor provides a one-to-one match on funds received by participants in Phase II of the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) or Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs.

## SECTORS

- Agritechology
- Aviation & Aerospace
- Digital Media & Interactive Entertainment
- Financial Services
- Information Technology
- Life Sciences & Medical Technologies
- Microelectronics & Nanotechnology
- Modeling, Simulation & Training
- Optics, Photonics & Sensors
- Sustainable Energy

## APPLY TO THE MGRP

Proposals are reviewed year-round by a committee of researchers and partners at each university. Companies within the 23-county region may submit proposals to collaborate with researchers from one, two or all three universities. Application requirements and investment matches may differ.

Please contact program directors directly for more information:



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## ABOUT THE FLORIDA HIGH TECH CORRIDOR

The Florida High Tech Corridor Council is an economic development initiative of the University of Central Florida, the University of South Florida and the University of Florida with a mission to grow high tech industry and innovation – and the workforce to support it – in a 23-county region.

Co-chaired by the university presidents, The Corridor Council facilitates collaboration between more than 25 local and regional economic development organizations, 14 state colleges, 12 CareerSource boards and representatives of high tech industry. Its unique approach to high tech economic development includes a Matching Grants Research Program, K-12 STEM education initiatives, workforce development programming and entrepreneurial support.