



QED Program Selects Finalists

Ten finalists participating in the fourth round of the QED Proof-of-Concept Program have been matched with Business Advisors, all successful veterans of industry or small company development, and are now working on developing in-depth strategies to determine what is needed to “prove the concept” of their technologies. This is the first time that projects from Lehigh University, Philadelphia University, and UMDNJ have made it to the final stage. In addition, two projects each from Drexel University, Rutgers and Thomas Jefferson University, and one project from the University of Pennsylvania will receive support to develop proof-of-concept plans.

The finalists were selected by the industry licensors and investors who make up the QED Selection Team. They will also have the opportunity to consult with intellectual property, regulatory, reimbursement, and other specialists working with the Program. Three projects will be selected to receive funding of \$200,000 each in November to put their plans into action. “This continues to be a ‘community’ program, receiving substantial contribution from the entire SC organization as well as critical participation and support by all of our stakeholders,” says Chris Laing, VP for Science and Technology at the Science Center. “It is truly a regional commercialization effort.”

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