

FUNDING YOUR RESEARCH

Translational funding enables Johns Hopkins inventors to move early research towards commercialization. Funding can come from a variety of sources, including federal and state programs as well as a set of philanthropic grant programs established specifically for Johns Hopkins innovators and managed by Johns Hopkins Technology Ventures.

The funding often is non-dilutive, meaning the financing does not require equity in exchange for the money. Inventors should consider such options before turning to other forms of investment funding.

TRANSLATIONAL FUNDING SOURCES

1. UNIVERSITY COMMERCIALIZATION FUNDS

Friends of Johns Hopkins who value economic development and commercialization of technology have provided funds to help move startups from concept to incorporation. These grants tend to focus on early stage research and ideas that require advancement to reach a point where the technology can be licensed or a startup formed. For up-to-date information on grant cycles and application deadlines, please visit ventures.jhu.edu/funding.

The Louis B. Thalheimer Fund for Translational Research

Size: \$25,000-\$100,000

Length of Project: Up to nine months

Application Deadline: Annually on March 15

Eligibility: Johns Hopkins faculty members; technology without existing licenses

JHU Contact: Brian Stansky, bstansky@jhu.edu

The Cohen Translational Engineering Fund

Size: \$20,000 – \$40,000

Length of Project: Up to four months

Application Deadline: Up to three times a year – Oct. 15, March 15 and May 15

Eligibility: Faculty members from the Whiting School of Engineering with pre-company technology

JHU Contact: Brian Stansky, bstansky@jhu.edu

The Bisciotti Foundation Translational Fund

Size: \$25,000-\$100,000

Length of Project: Up to nine months

Application Deadline: Annually on October 15

Eligibility: At least one investigator must be a faculty, post-doctoral fellow or graduate student at Johns Hopkins; technology without existing licenses

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2. STATE OF MARYLAND FUNDS

The state of Maryland provides different types of technology development and startup funding through the Technology Development Corporation of Maryland (TEDCO). The Maryland Innovation Initiative.

Maryland Innovation Initiative (MII)

Size: Up to \$265,000 through two phases of the program

Length of Project: Technology Validation and Market Assessment, 9 months;
Commercial Launch, 9 months

Eligibility: Inventor must have licensed technologies from Hopkins and be located in Maryland

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3. INDUSTRY-SPONSORED RESEARCH

Sponsored research from industry supports Johns Hopkins faculty through collaborations that can leverage the strengths of both academia and industry and bridge the gap between early scientific discovery and its translation into new products.

These relationships, which JHTV actively facilitates through its Corporate Partnerships team, typically provide researchers with funding and access to the industry collaborator's development expertise.

JHTV has partnerships with AbbVie, Bayer, GSK, Janssen, MedImmune, Pfizer and Toshiba/Canon, among other companies.

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