**Subject:** Unlock $50,000 for Commercializing your Research: Learn How to Apply for the NSF I-Corps Teams Grant

Dear Dr. <Last Name>,

Congratulations on your successful NSF research grant, **<Grant Title>** (Award No. <Grant Number>). Your work has positioned you to qualify for the $50,000 NSF I-Corps Teams grant, a program designed to help researchers like you commercialize your innovations. What’s more, the application is really simple with a 1-page executive summary all that is needed to apply.

**Join us on September 19th from 12:00-1:00 PM** for an informative lunch meeting (with a virtual option available) where we'll guide you through the application process. During this session, we'll also provide an overview of the NSF I-Corps short courses that enable research without prior NSF funding to qualify for the $50,000 NSF I-Corps Teams grant. To participate in the lunch meeting, please sign up here:

**Sign up (**[**https://forms.gle/5aZfLiTawUi6KZZe8**](https://forms.gle/5aZfLiTawUi6KZZe8)**)**

If you are already ready to sign up for the 5-week short course, you can see the upcoming sessions below:

**Upcoming I-Corps Short Courses:**

* **Oct 16 - Nov 20, 2024** (Hybrid - RPI - Open)
* **Feb 26 - April 2, 2025** (Hybrid - RPI – Open)
  + **Apply (**[**https://forms.gle/u7kJcg6pEE7ZghBg6**](https://forms.gle/u7kJcg6pEE7ZghBg6)**)**

If you can’t make this meeting feel free to schedule a meeting with me using the calendar.ly meeting below. You can also join the official NSF Teams Q&A at the three times noted below.

Best regards,

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**Upcoming I-Corps Short Courses:**

**Why Participate?**

* **Qualify for $50K NSF I-Corps Teams Program:**Academic teams that complete the regional program become eligible to apply for the $50,000 NSF I-Corps Teams grant.
* **Access Immediate Funding:**Receive up to $3,000 for industry conferences, supporting research-based teams in advancing their commercialization efforts.
* **Strengthen Your Grant Proposals:**Discover the commercial potential of your technology, a valuable addition to your next grant application.
* **Dip Your Toe into Exploring Commercialization:** Even if you have prior NSF support the short course can help you get exposed to the I-Corps process and framework.

**How Can You Participate?**

* **Join the Bootcamp:**Faculty and graduate students interested in commercializing their research are invited to participate.

How Does It Work?

* **4-5 Week Program:**The program includes two in-person cohort sessions and three one-on-one meetings with the teaching team. Participants will master the lean startup methodology and the importance of customer discovery.

[**NSF Innovation Corps (I-Corps™) Teams Q&A Webinar**](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__lnks.gd_l_eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDAsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vbmV3Lm5zZi5nb3YvZXZlbnRzL2V2ZW50X3N1bW0uanNwP1dULm1jX2V2PWNsaWNrJldULm1jX2lkPSZjbnRuX2lkPTMwNjQ4NiZ1dG1fbWVkaXVtPWVtYWlsJnV0bV9zb3VyY2U9Z292ZGVsaXZlcnkiLCJidWxsZXRpbl9pZCI6IjIwMjQwNDEyLjkzMjg0MzAxIn0.R98dus2beAn3C7w4wU6BS8YZZI4WaMiz3JxuLRYDklA_s_3123938506_br_240650269710-2Dl&d=DwMFAA&c=4NmamNZG3KTnUCoC6InoLJ6KV1tbVKrkZXHRwtIMGmo&r=kcOlZgGHq-aiJNEUD8VJDOTJGG1Al5O41VufhpG-3zw&m=Xm4fO-zdQnJ5kBEvYD1CAJKwmPrdW7EtWoFgU9KshI9zOXcqD7rhw7rb7nCx45WC&s=ja18fbp6bqcvPRQgki61QTbbW3o6ddVyTmKM5J2-e8M&e=)

Want to speak directly with the NSF program directors? Join one of Q&A sessions below:

* **November 7, 2024, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.**
* **December 5, 2024, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Register and see additional dates and times on [nsf.gov](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__lnks.gd_l_eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vbmV3Lm5zZi5nb3YvZXZlbnRzL2V2ZW50X3N1bW0uanNwP1dULm1jX2V2PWNsaWNrJldULm1jX2lkPSZjbnRuX2lkPTMwNjQ4NiZ1dG1fbWVkaXVtPWVtYWlsJnV0bV9zb3VyY2U9Z292ZGVsaXZlcnkiLCJidWxsZXRpbl9pZCI6IjIwMjQwNDEyLjkzMjg0MzAxIn0.76D6zPwmbCLho9T-5FANVQ6ScCqLNTHfS3Uq8Ocdrl8UU_s_3123938506_br_240650269710-2Dl&d=DwMFAA&c=4NmamNZG3KTnUCoC6InoLJ6KV1tbVKrkZXHRwtIMGmo&r=kcOlZgGHq-aiJNEUD8VJDOTJGG1Al5O41VufhpG-3zw&m=Xm4fO-zdQnJ5kBEvYD1CAJKwmPrdW7EtWoFgU9KshI9zOXcqD7rhw7rb7nCx45WC&s=scUmf9xX9nbnGxWRNEK86lNNXHYGW9KOSIE2173yaj4&e=)