

Regional Accelerator Hub Resources to Support Entrepreneurship in IDeA States

Presented by Doug Wright

Description: This workshop will highlight opportunities in IDeA state to support entrepreneurship and commercialization at IDeA institutions. Representatives from each of the four regional accelerator hubs will highlight resources and activities available to aid researchers in taking ideas to the market. Breakout sessions will allow trainees and investigators to have one-on-one discussions. Attendees will gain an introductory introduction to entrepreneurship, as well as asked specific questions about advanced stage activities unique to their startups.

Session theme or topic: Trainee Development, Faculty Development, NIH Resources, Entrepreneurship

Session format (Lecture, facilitated discussion, panel discussion, Q&A): Facilitated Discussion, Panel Discussion, Q&A

3 anticipated participant learning outcomes:

1. Understand the resources available to in your IDeA state
2. Learn new information about what it takes to be a successful entrepreneur
3. Participate in a network of entrepreneurs

Intended audience: INBRE, COBRE, CTR, Students, Faculty, PI's, Administrators

Name, title, Institution/bio for each facilitator/presenter:



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Dr. Wright serves as a professor and vice chair of the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology at the University of Kansas Medical Center (KUMC). Since 2011, he has served at the principal investigator of the Kansas Institutional Development Award (IDeA) Network of Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE) program. Dr. Wright also serves as president of the National Association of IDeA principal investigators (NAIPI). He has extensive experience in organizing educational, training and symposia events in Kansas and nationally. Dr. Wright's research focuses on the cellular biology of peripheral nerve disease. He has authored 70 original peer-reviewed scientific papers. Among others, he is currently a principal investigator of a longstanding National Institutes of Health RO1 grant (NINDS RO1NS43314-13) that focuses on diabetic neuropathy. Dr. Wright has served on numerous grant review committees, including NIH, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the American Diabetes Association, as well as led numerous institutional committees at KUMC. He currently chairs the Clinical Neuroplasticity and Neurotransmitters (CNNT) NIH study section. Dr. Wright has received numerous teaching awards, including the Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award and the William T. Kemper Fellowship for Teaching.
