

**CLEMSON UNIVERSITY RESEARCH FOUNDATION (CURF)
TECHNOLOGY MATURATION FUND
2023 LETTER OF INTENT INSTRUCTIONS & FORM**

The Clemson University Research Foundation (CURF) Maturation Fund Research Grant Program has a two-step application process. A letter of intent is required in advance of submitting a full grant application. The 2023 deadline for letters of intent is Friday February 3, 2023, by 5:00 pm eastern standard time. Submit letters of intent here: <https://curf.clemson.edu/maturationfundprogram/>.

The full request for proposals will be issued February 6, 2023. The deadline for full proposals is March 10, 2023. Award announcements are scheduled on or before April 21, 2023.

The following instructions are for investigators who are interested in being considered for CURF's Maturation Fund Research Grant Program. **Only investigators who have disclosed a technology to CURF, have submitted a letter of intent, and have been invited by CURF to submit a formal grant application will be considered for funding.**

LETTER OF INTENT REQUIREMENTS

The letter of intent is designed to provide a general overview of the proposed research study with sufficient detail to allow for evaluation of the feasibility of the study (to be completed within a (12) twelve-month time frame) and the proposed commercial outcome. Two pages (letter of intent form and research abstract) are required for submission.

The documents should be in the following format: single-sided, single-spaced, 1-inch margins all around with page numbers at the bottom. The letter of intent should include the following:

1. **Letter of Intent Form** (1 page) – the provided cover sheet should be completed and signed.

2. **Research Abstract** (1 page) – The abstract should include the following items:
 - a. Problem Statement/Market Need/Value Proposition (100 WORD LIMIT)
 - b. Technical Summary: Provide a summary of your technology, including the current stage of development and the planned research project SPECIFIC AIMS for future development. (150 WORD LIMIT)
 - c. Project Summary/Specific Aims: Summarize the research project and describe what technical issue(s) the research is intended to address. (200 WORD LIMIT)
 - d. Explain how the proposed research results will mitigate technical risks and present a compelling opportunity for follow-on sponsored research support from a federal agency or commercial interest from an industry partner (100 WORD LIMIT)

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PI Information

Provide contact information for the lead PI of the project.

PI Name:	
PI Department:	
PI E-mail:	
PI Signature:	

Co-PI Information

Provide contact information for any other Clemson University collaborators for the project.

Co-PI Names:	Co-PI Emails:

Tech IDs

Provide Tech IDs for any technologies used in this project.

Potential Industry Partner Information

Provide names of any companies currently interested in collaborating on this project.

Application Information

Provide additional information regarding this project.

Amount Requested:	
Anticipated Start Date:	