APPLICATION PERIOD: April 1-8, 2019

Purpose: The UC Center for Accelerated Innovation (CAI) and UC Biomedical Research, Integration and Development (BRAID) are partnering with UCI Applied Innovation to host a forum for UC Faculty to pitch advanced translational programs to a group of potential investors.

Opportunity: This program extends UC CAI activities beyond heart, lung, and blood diseases across all therapeutic areas. Therapeutic areas can cover any health condition where there is an unmet medical need or the potential for significant improvement over current treatments, diagnostics, devices, tools or services.

Successful applicants will receive extensive hands-on mentoring to develop a pitch deck for presentation to a group of selected and interested investors. Following Pitch Day, investors interested in projects will work with the faculty and Technology Transfer Office associated with that respective faculty's campus to determine whether terms can be reached for investment and potential company launch.

Presentations will be in person at UC Irvine or by webcast. Application period is April 1-8, 2019. Read the RFA at bit.ly/ucpitchday.

Eligibility: Faculty in all series at all ranks at UC Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco are eligible. Postdoctoral scholars are eligible to submit as Co-PI with a faculty PI.

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About the UC CAI - The UC Center for Accelerated Innovation is a collaboration of five UC medical campuses to accelerate translation of UC discoveries to benefit patients with heart, lung and blood diseases, drug abuse and addiction. It is managed from UCLA and supported by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute and National Institute on Drug Abuse.