# Bioscience Innovation at Marshall University

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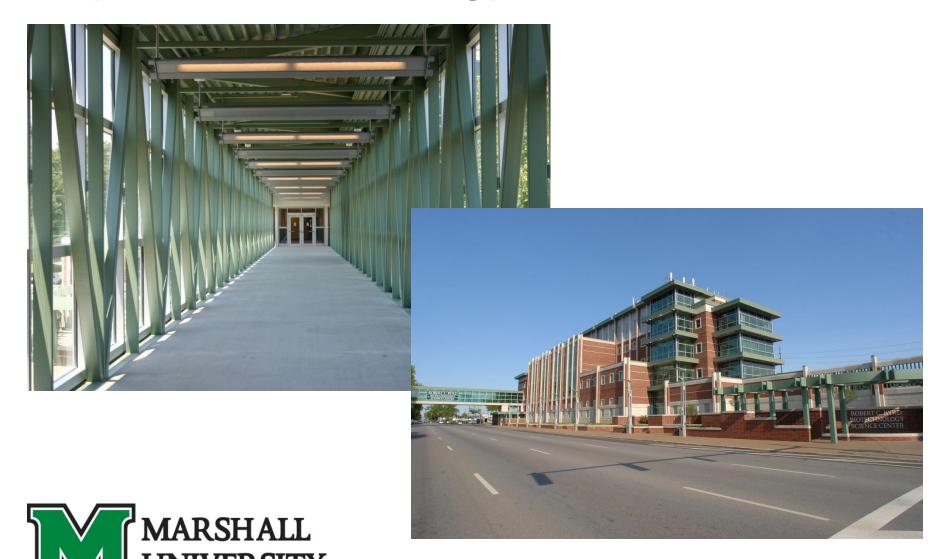


### Marshall's Bioscience Research is Diverse

- Advanced Computing and Visualization
- Biotechnology
- Biomedicine
- Forensics
- Water Resources



#### Byrd Biotechnology Science Center



### Opening Fall 2015





Exterior Perspective View B - Option 7 New Engineering Building





### Translating Research Into Innovation

- Careful attention to IP development
- Engagement of the local business community
  - Bioscience Alliance
  - HADCO
  - HMDA
- Building the entrepreneurial venture---or---
- Licensing the innovation to an established enterprise



## Translating Research Into Innovation

- Building the entrepreneurial venture
  - Market analysis
  - Building the angel round investment
  - Managerial talent
  - Licensing event
- Licensing the innovation to an established enterprise
  - Contact market participants
  - Existing relationships
  - Unsolicited contact



## Enhancing the Innovation Platform

- Academic
  - Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine
  - School of Pharmacy
  - College of Science
  - College of Information Technology and Engineering
- Research-focused
  - Marshall Institute for Interdisciplinary Research
  - Rahall Transportation Institute





- Wholly-owned 501(c)3 in the Marshall University Research Corporation
- Catalyst to create an earning and entrepreneurial culture. Intensify and accelerate the rate at which research done at Marshall University reaches the marketplace
- Nurture research scientists appointed exclusively through performance-based contracts within the institute and not in traditional academic departments





- Flexible structure designed to serve as a bridge between academic science and industry
- Enable commercially relevant bioscience activity by affording companies the opportunity to develop and mature promising new technologies and products in the university environment



#### Zijian Xie, Ph.D.

- "Sodium-Potassium Pump"
- Single key to many disease targets
  - Cancer
  - Heart disease
  - Kidney disease





## Leveraging With Bucks for Brains

- University has attracted \$15MM in private donations which have been matched by \$15MM in state funds to endow research
- e.g. the Cline Endowment for Translational Sports Medicine Research
- With State Match, \$10 MM endowment has been created to support development of a robust, interdisciplinary research program is envisioned in areas such as:
  - Musculoskeletal and Ligament Health and Injury research studies that evaluate predictors of joint and muscle injury, innovative techniques for injury intervention and prevention and the efficacy of conventional and novel treatment practices.
  - Biomechanics research studies that identify and ameliorate biomechanical risk and factors that predispose individuals to musculoskeletal injury.
  - Muscle Injury and Genomics research studies that identify mechanisms of skeletal muscle injury, preventative therapies and underlying genomic factors that predispose humans to injury or limit human performance capabilities.
- MIIR has its own endowment to support its mission of entrepreneurial research

