New Lilly Endowment Grant

To increase the scope of Discovery Park activities

Presentation to DP-RIA Meeting
February 18, 2005
Discovery Park: The Next Level

"In fewer than four years, Discovery Park has more than met expectations and has become a model for interdisciplinary research and learning. We are pleased that our new grant will help Purdue secure the future of the successful efforts already launched at Discovery Park and add promising new efforts to the mix."

Sara Cobb, VP for Education
Lilly Endowment
January 21, 2005
Discovery Park: The Next Level

• $25 million in grants from the Lilly Endowment

  ✓ $10 million for four new Discovery Park interdisciplinary research centers

  ✓ $6 million endowment and $6 million in seed funding for the six existing Discovery Park interdisciplinary research centers.

  ✓ $2 million to endow a Discovery Park student internship program.

  ✓ $1 million endowment for a Discovery Park lecture series to bring speakers to campus.
Call For Proposal

Plan has been rolled out
Discovery Park Centers

- Interdisciplinary
- Broad-based
- Nationally competitive
- Focused on a grand challenge
- Incorporating long-term and short-term projects and results
- High potential for growth
- Technologically innovative
- Capable of significant leveraging of funding
- Potential for economic impact in Indiana
The competition

• 4 new centers
  – $1M endowment for a Director’s position
  – $500,000 each year for three years

• Eligibility
  Proposals may be submitted by a single investigator or by a group of faculty members.

An existing center that has received University funding may not submit a proposal that simply extends the center’s current activities. Some of the research activities and faculty within an existing center, however, could become part of a new transformative center of interdisciplinary activities that includes other activities and other faculty and is linked to the mission and vision of Discovery Park.
Criteria

The criteria for selection of the new centers will be:

1. **Quality**—the quality of the proposed discovery/learning/engagement program and the potential of the center to contribute to the preeminence of Purdue University;

2. **Leverage**—the potential for the center to attract additional significant external funding for the proposed programs.

3. **Leadership**—the demonstrated capability of the leadership of the proposed center to grow the center to preeminence and contribute to Discovery Park;

4. **Interdisciplinary**—the potential of the proposed center to engage in a program with a significant breadth of interdisciplinary cooperation; and

5. **Economic Development**—the potential for the center to contribute to economic development with emphasis on the State of Indiana.
What is an ideal center?

An ideal center will excel in all five dimensions:

- **Quality**
- **Leverage**
- **Leadership**
- **Inter-Disciplinary**
- **Economic Development**

Discovery Park

Centers
**New Discovery Park Centers**

**2005 Timeline**

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For more information/Questions

- Frequently asked questions
- Web sites posting and updating
  - [www.purdue.edu/research/vpr/index.html](http://www.purdue.edu/research/vpr/index.html)
  - [www.purdue.edu/dp](http://www.purdue.edu/dp)
It will happen here.

Discovery Park.