

# THE QUERREY INQBATION LAB BUILDS

## Building Momentum at 1801 Maple

Now in its third year, the Querrey InQbation Lab continues to evolve as Northwestern's hub for research-driven innovation and entrepreneurship. Supported by more than \$6M in state and university funding and a \$25M gift from Trustee Kimberly Querrey, the Lab is now home to a growing portfolio of programs and ventures that engage faculty, researchers, students, and postdocs across disciplines, advancing the university's mission to bring world-class discoveries to society.

## Startup Facts & Figures

**22** Q Startups    **\$35M** VC Funding    **\$11M** SBIR/STTR Grants    **88** employees

## New Programs

### Future Founders 3-Minute Spotlight



A dynamic new program designed to equip women research scientists with the skills to communicate the commercial potential of their research, or other technologies utilizing Northwestern IP.

This inaugural initiative was done in collaboration with The Graduate School's Research Communication Training Program (RCTP).

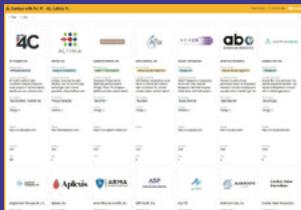
### AI4Health Pitch Challenge



A new showcase for university innovators developing Northwestern University AI-enabled HealthTech solutions. Teams competed for \$50K in translational funding to accelerate the path from research to real-world impact.

Over 5 weeks, participants teamed up with Kellogg students, alumni, and friends of The Q to hone their pitch decks and delivery, then refined their storytelling and strategy with Kellogg faculty.

## New Tools



The Q launched a new Startup Pipeline Dashboard, providing external investors and industry partners with curated insights into startup ventures built on Northwestern-owned intellectual property. The dashboard highlights the breadth of innovation emerging from the university, offering an accessible way to explore companies advancing Northwestern technologies across sectors, from biotech and medtech to sustainability and AI.



Co-created with 3Pillars Solutions, this new assessment tool is available to all Northwestern innovators. Participants who complete the survey receive personalized feedback across six key functional areas: Market, Technology, Product, Regulatory & Compliance, Strategy & Go-to-Market, and Team, along with a curated list of resources to support their innovation journey..

# THIRD YEAR ACTIVITIES

## K-Q Pitch Studio

5 Q Ventures Receive Strategic Guidance from Investors



5 Q startup leaders presented their ventures to a panel of 9 investors, receiving valuable, candid feedback to help refine their strategies and strengthen their paths forward



RMD Sciences

## Q Founder Seminar Series

Designed for founders at every stage of their journey

**16**  
Seminars

**768**  
Participants



- Founder Journey's & Perspectives
- Operations, Compliance & Partnerships
- Funding & Commercialization Strategy
- Workshops & Skills Development

## Summer Scholars Program

Now in its 3rd Year!



**3** Cohorts

**106** Applicants

**28** Scholars

Enabling Northwestern undergraduates to explore entrepreneurship through paid fellowships at startups built on Northwestern research discoveries.

## Kellogg-Q Commercializing Innovations



- Rubber Upcycling
- DeepV
- Peptide Skincare
- IROX
- Pedicle Screw
- NeuroChip
- HIDENN-AI
- Wastewater Remediation
- 3D Printing
- ImmPro

**10** projects

**10** weeks

**25** MBAs

This collaboration has evolved into a formal Kellogg course, connecting students with Northwestern scientists to pair business expertise with cutting-edge technologies to advance commercialization.