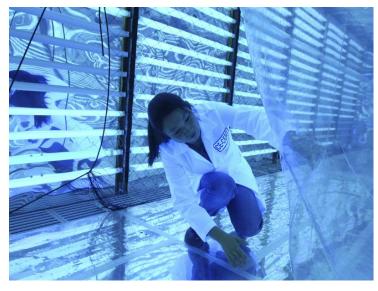
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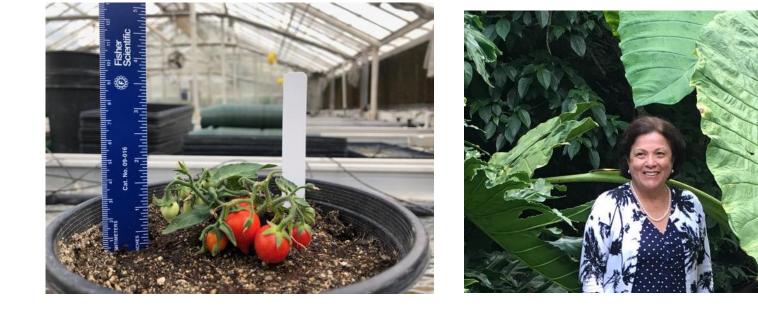
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UCR faculty, scientists and engineers are developing solutions for regional challenges





UC Riverside's Approach to Partnership and Ecosystem Development (2016-)

- Integration of Technology Transfer, Entrepreneurship and Corporate Partnerships
- Support Faculty research translation
- Support student success
- Invest in entrepreneurship
- Make infrastructure available to Region's innovators
- Regional Economic Development

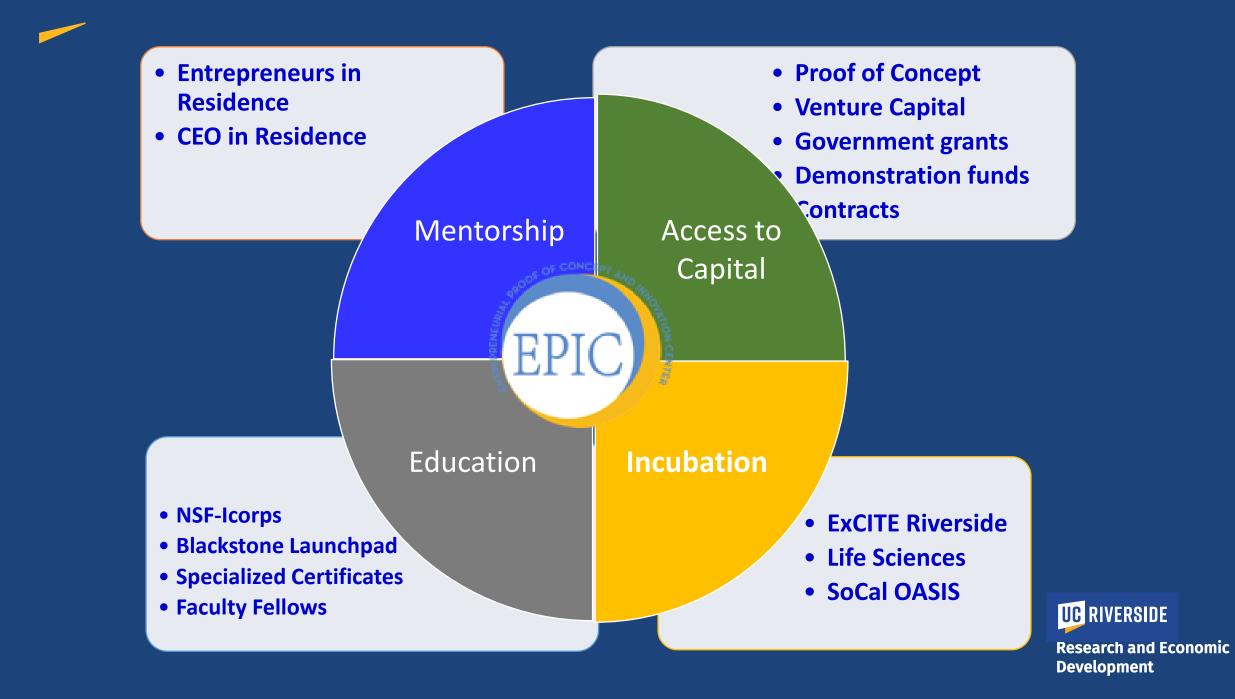




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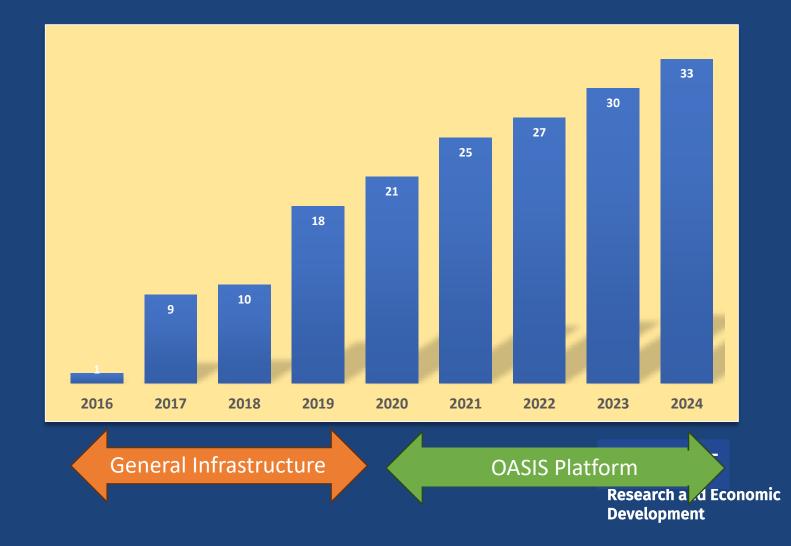






\$33 Million secured to support Ecosystem Development in the InSoCal

- Royalty, Government, Foundation, Company
- +20 Programs
- Undergraduate, Faculty and Community
- Mentors, Proof of Concept, Incubators, Training
- Infrastructure





Funding Agencies









Research and Economic Development

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Access to Specialized Test Beds and Technical Experts to Assist **Company Growth**















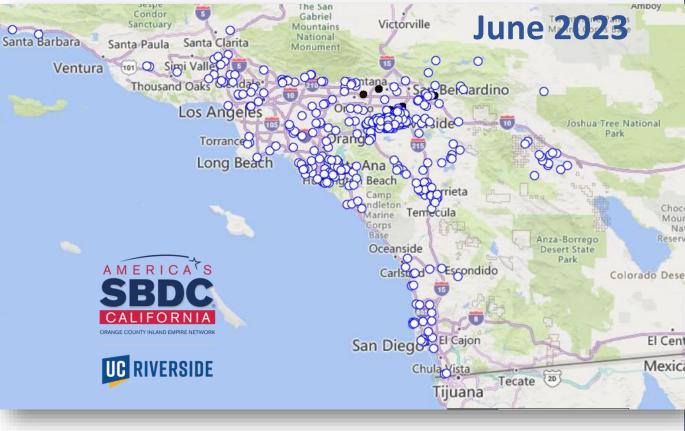




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Over 600 ventures supported, \$80 Million in Capital 1,300+ jobs created





Technical Validation and Intensive Mentorship Facilitate Research Translation





UCR Programs have facilitated close to \$9 Million in research funding

Specialized Certificates in Technology Entrepreneurship for Non-Scientists Offered via UCR Extension

Zero-to-Entrepreneur in 6 months!



Attention students and professionals!

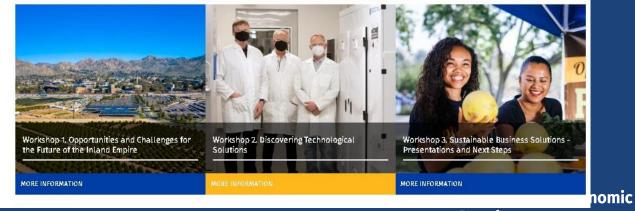
Are you interested in being your own boss, exploring a new future for yourself, and accessing capital to start your own business?

If so, the Zero-to-Entrepreneur in 6 months training program developed by UCR is for you!

Workshop Series A. Sustainable Transportation and Community Impacts



Workshop Series B. Entrepreneurial Modern Agriculture



Development

SoCal OASIS ™

Opportunities to Advance Sustainability Innovation and Social Inclusion

Agriculture Technology & Food Security	Community Health & Health Disparity	Human Development	Natural Resource Management	Renewable Energy and Fuels	Sustainable Transportation and Infrastructure
		Sustainability			
		Innovation			
		Social II	nclusion		
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Physical Infrastructure to Stimulate Knowledge Exchange and Collaboration



Ryvid, San Bernardino

Ohmio, New Zealand Karma, Moreno Valley



Voltu Motors Argentina



Government, Academia, Private Sector: critical for company attraction and growth 400+ direct Jobs

Needs of Latin American Entrepreneurs

• Survey by UCR EPIC Program:

- 90% of respondents indicated that the U.S. is a key target market.
- Main barriers include access to capital, regulatory knowledge, and network connections.
- Top Needs:
 - Access to Capital: Consistently ranked as the most critical need.
 - Network Connections: Entrepreneurs need strong networks to build partnerships and secure funding.
- Additional Needs:
 - Regulatory and legal compliance, mentoring, and understanding U.S. market culture.



Extensive Experience in Entrepreneurial Education Mentorship and Soft Landing Assistance



NSF Icorps Entrepreneurial Training Extensive Mentorship





UCR EPIC Eurosemillas Incubation Challenge For Latin American Startups

USD\$100,000 in prizes!

Win cash for your startup and get incubated in the United States.

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Qualified entries



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7 Winners

Seedorina	Seed planting robot	Uruguay
Tycho Solutions	Software for clean energy project development planning	Mexico
BATx	Second life battery system	Colombia
Pascal Tech	Electric bicycle conversion wheel	Ecuador
ACOT Systems	Wildfire detection using artificial intelligence	Chile
UbiqueBio	Platform to develop synthetic peptides for diagnostics	Argentina
DProtein	Nutritionally optimized and sustainable food protein	Mexico

Case Study: SEEDORINA

- Precision Agriculture
 business out of Uruguay
- EuroSemillas project
 winner which included
 deep dive in U.S. market
- Prototype & New Product
 Development
- Established LLC and office space at UCR Incubator Co-working Space
- In process of launching their Seedbot 3 in the U.S. market
- Co-developing space farming solution with UCR for NASA









Partnership between UCR and SEEDRORINA wins 2nd Place NASA's Challenge





Build2Scale and Opportunity Gateway

- Company Incorporation
- Site Selection
- Talent Sourcing
- Access to Capital, Partners and Customers
- Lead Mentor Assigned



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