

# UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

## EMBRACING SBIR GRANT-FUNDED STARTUPS



# U-M Tech Transfer – FY15

- \$1.3 Billion Research
- 422 inventions reported
- 164 agreements
- 19 new business startups
- \$78.8 million in total revenues
- 160 Patents Issued

# University of Michigan Startup Track Record

Since 1987:

- Over 200 startups with U-M IP
- Almost 80% still active
- More than 70% have presence in Michigan
- Over \$1 Billion in follow-on investment in the last 10 years
- Over 2000 jobs created

# OTT's Venture Center

- Makes it easy for entrepreneurs, investors and faculty to work with us
- Provides a one-stop shop for talent and resources for startups
- Proven to be an effective way to create attractive, high quality startup opportunities



# Recent U-M Startups News

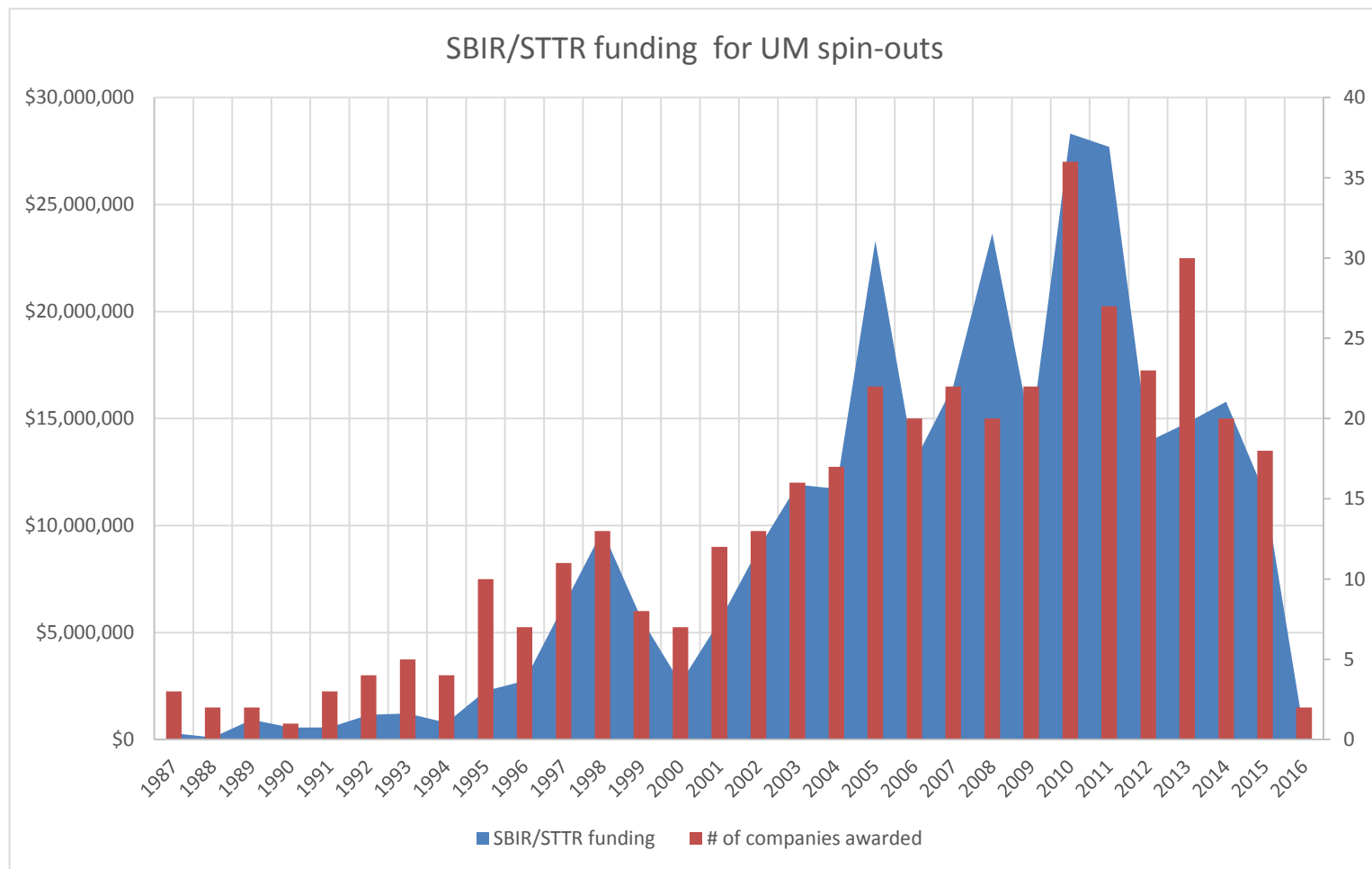
- Sakti3 – Energy Storage Technology  
Company Acquired by Dyson for \$90M
- Lycera – Therapeutics Collaboration with Celgene
- Histosonics – Medical Device Collaboration with J&J
- Millendo Therapeutics – \$62M Series B
- Kura Oncology – Therapeutics \$60M Series A; IPO in October
- Crossbar – Random Access Memory (RAM) \$35M Series D
- PsiKick – IOT System on a Chip \$16.75M Series B
- Ascentage – Therapeutics \$15.5M Series A
- Confo Therapeutics – \$3.5M Series A
- Resonant Therapeutics – \$2M Series A
- Invenio – Medical Device \$1M Seed





# SBIR Experience

- We have made a lot of progress with startups at the University of Michigan
- We have good experience with SBIR-funded companies
- Our ecosystem is supporting the early development of technologies (translational)





### Number of companies with each type of funding

	SBIR/STTR	No SBIR funding
Angel	2	22
VCSeed	8	64
VCSeries	65	56
No other funding	92	85

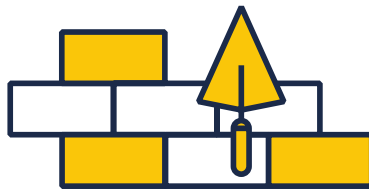
### Status of company with and without SBIR/STTR funding by percentage-separate groups

	SBIR/STTR (92)	No SBIR funding (145)
Acquired/Merged	11%	7%
Ceased/closed	5%	3%
IPO	0%	1%
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Launched/Licensed	65%	86%





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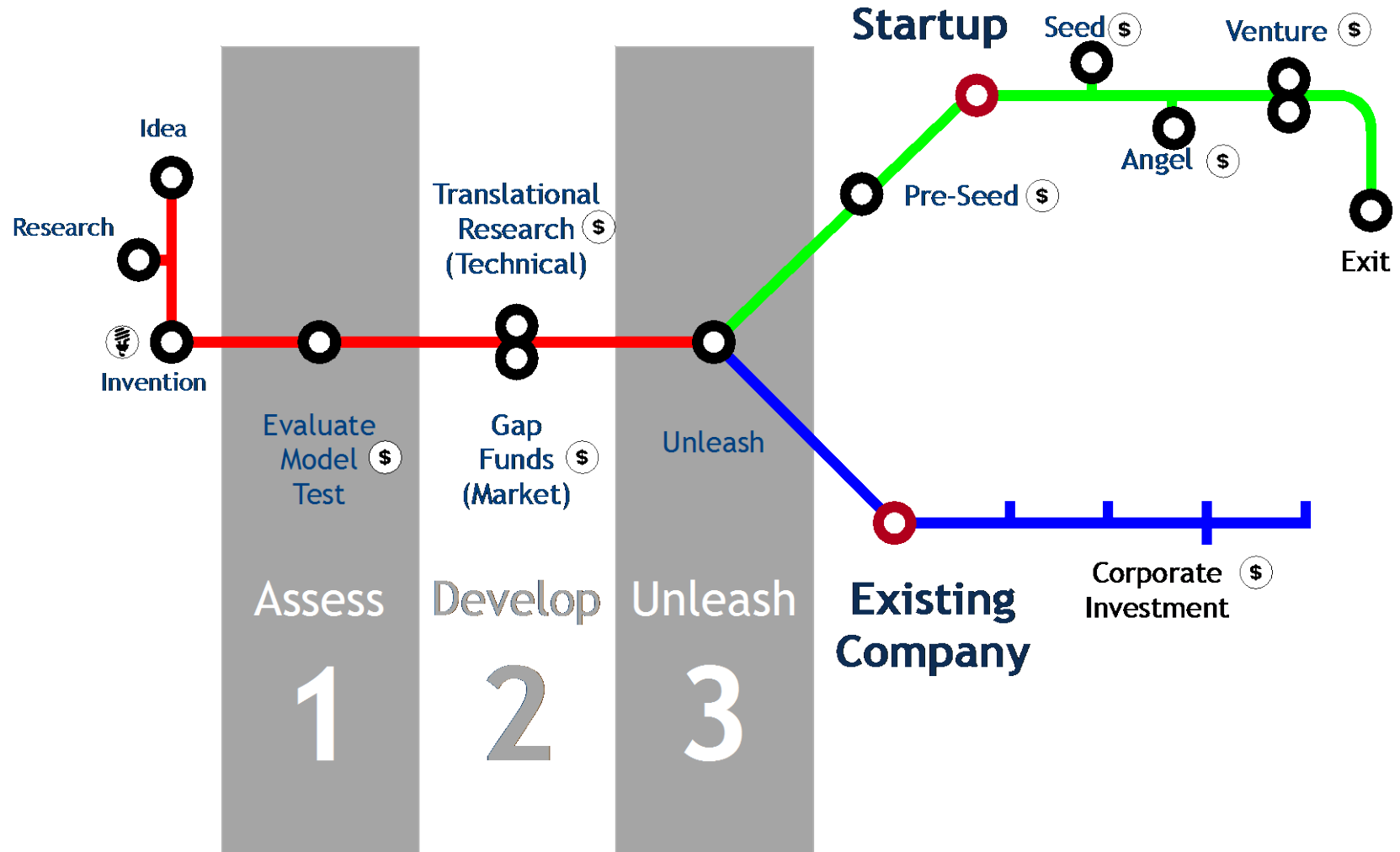
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# Funding Ecosystem Roadmap





# SBIR Experience...observations

We have done well, but we think we can do better

- Grants provide for technology derisking (an extension of the lab)
- Starting a company causes focus to change;
  - Hire CEO
  - Work on Logo, website, etc.,
- Public University OTTs have goal incongruence
  - Startups are competitively measured (license to newco-AUTM)
  - Public assets *shall not* be used to advance private company
  - SBIR-funded startups, still require entrepreneurial support



Company Name:

Fill in name

Sector:

Digital

Venture Readiness Level

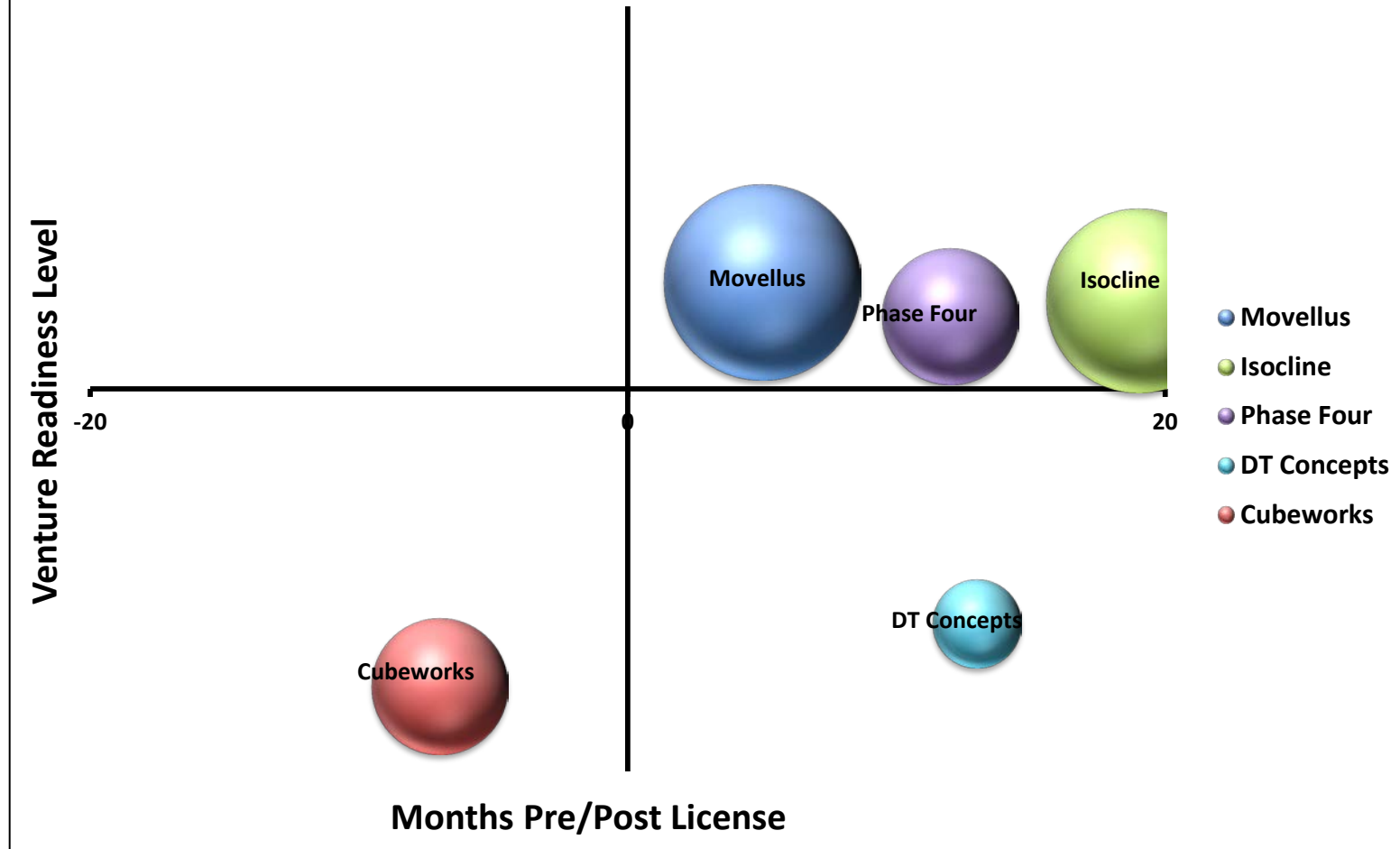
V=	R=	Criteria	Description	Weight	Rating	Score	Adjusted Score	Comments	Sources
V		IP	Patent protection, freedom to operate, and patent strategy.	5%		FALSE	0		
V		Market	Market savvy-have they identified their TAM, SAM, etc.?	15%		FALSE	0		
V		Breadth of Technology	A single product or a platform	10%		FALSE	0		
V		Exit	Potential exit valuation	7%		FALSE	0		
V		Financials	Are plans based on realistic assumptions and have high returns. Is there at least a P/L for one year. Does it contain reasonable, justifiable projections for 2 to 3 years with assumptions explained?	15%		FALSE	0		
V		Milestones	Probability of achieving value-enhancing milestones	10%		FALSE	0		
R		Founder	Is there compatibility and can you work together	10%		FALSE	0		
R		Stage of Technology	Pre-Seed, Seed, Early, Series A, etc.	15%		FALSE	0		
R		VC Attractiveness	Funding/capital availability	3%		FALSE	0		
R		Executable	Overall chance of technological success	10%		FALSE	0		
				100%			0		

Venture Potential					Rating	Comments	Sources
VP	MARKET	Market Potential and competitive advantages.			1 thru 7		
VP	Management Team	High potential management team, highly experienced			1 thru 7		
VP	Exit	Potential Exit Valuation			1 thru 7		
VP	Technology	Is this a game changing technology?			1 thru 7		

Next Milestone:



## Physical Science-Electronics and Hardware



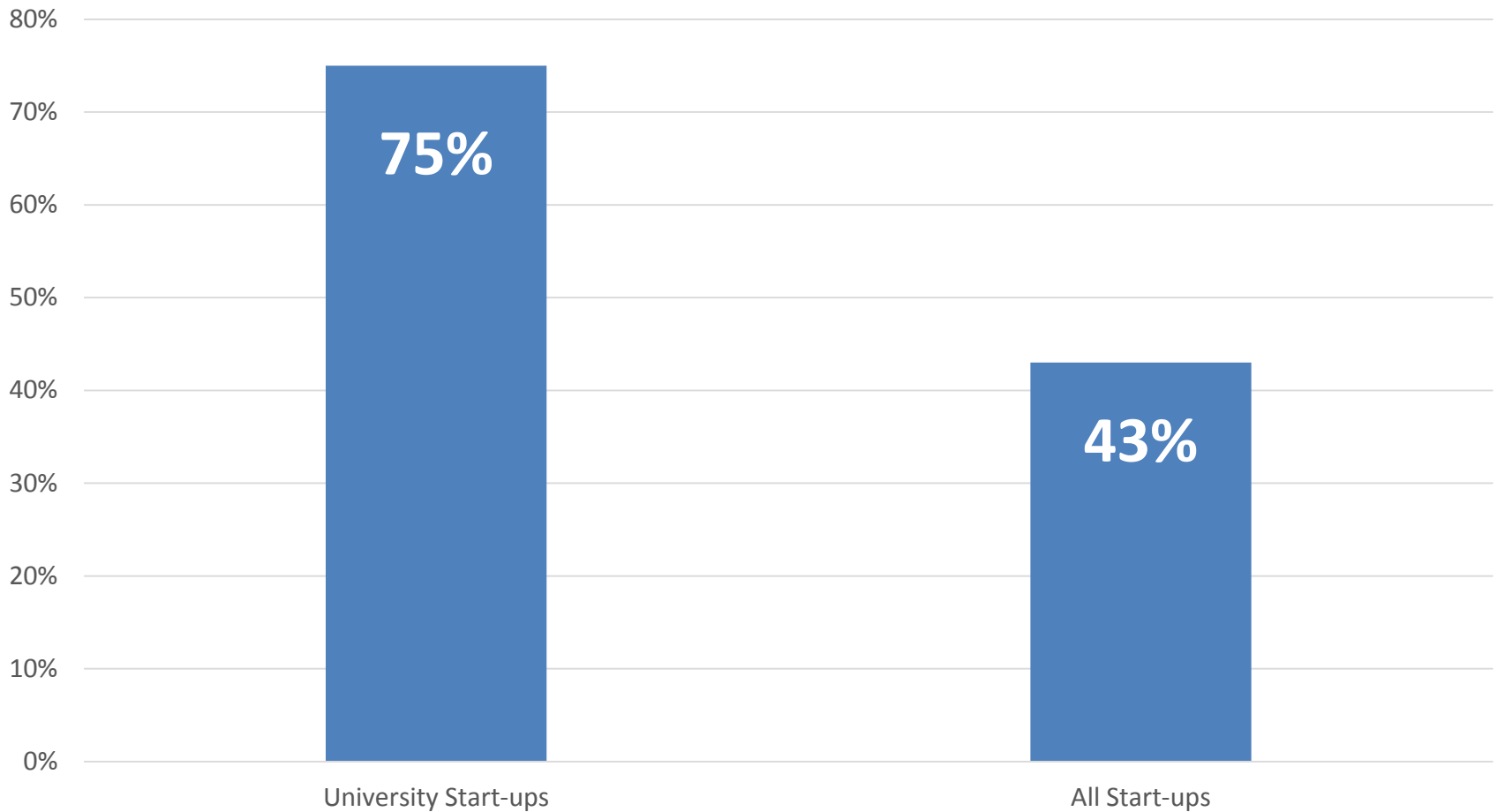


# Recommendations

- Measure the VRL (Venture Readiness) of companies to inform; Licensing, Advancing to Phase II, etc.,
- Use anonymotized inter-institutional data to measure progress of companies
- Public University OTTs should remain engaged during the life of the SBIR grants
- Provide funding or resources for grant-knowledgeable accounting (financial oversight)
- Faculty focusing too much on *commercialization* instead of *technology readiness level*
- Keep prospect of licensing to strategics open (keep cap table clean and include asset sale clause in articles of incorporation)

# BACKUP SLIDES

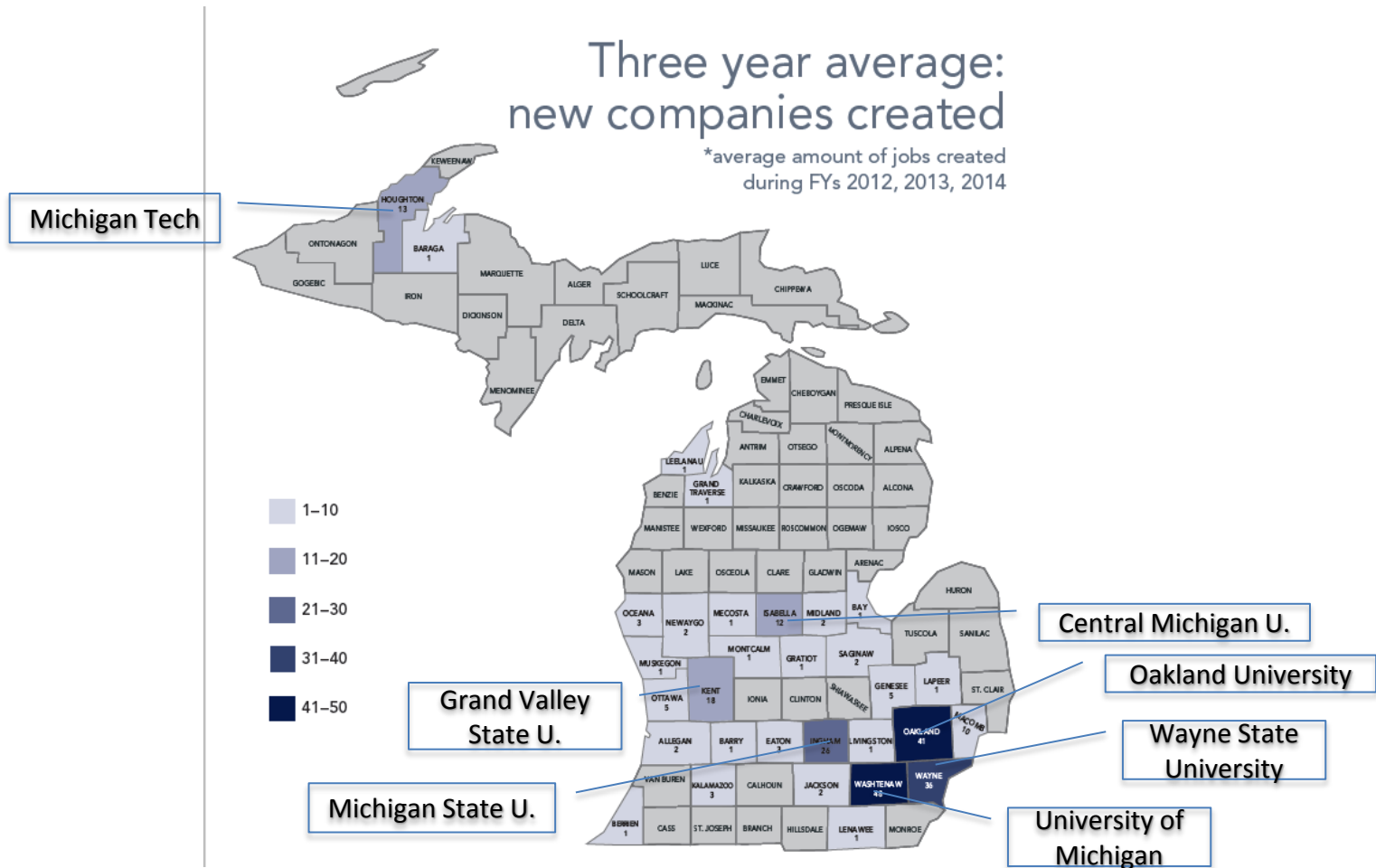
# University Start-ups are Twice as Likely to Survive 5 Years or More



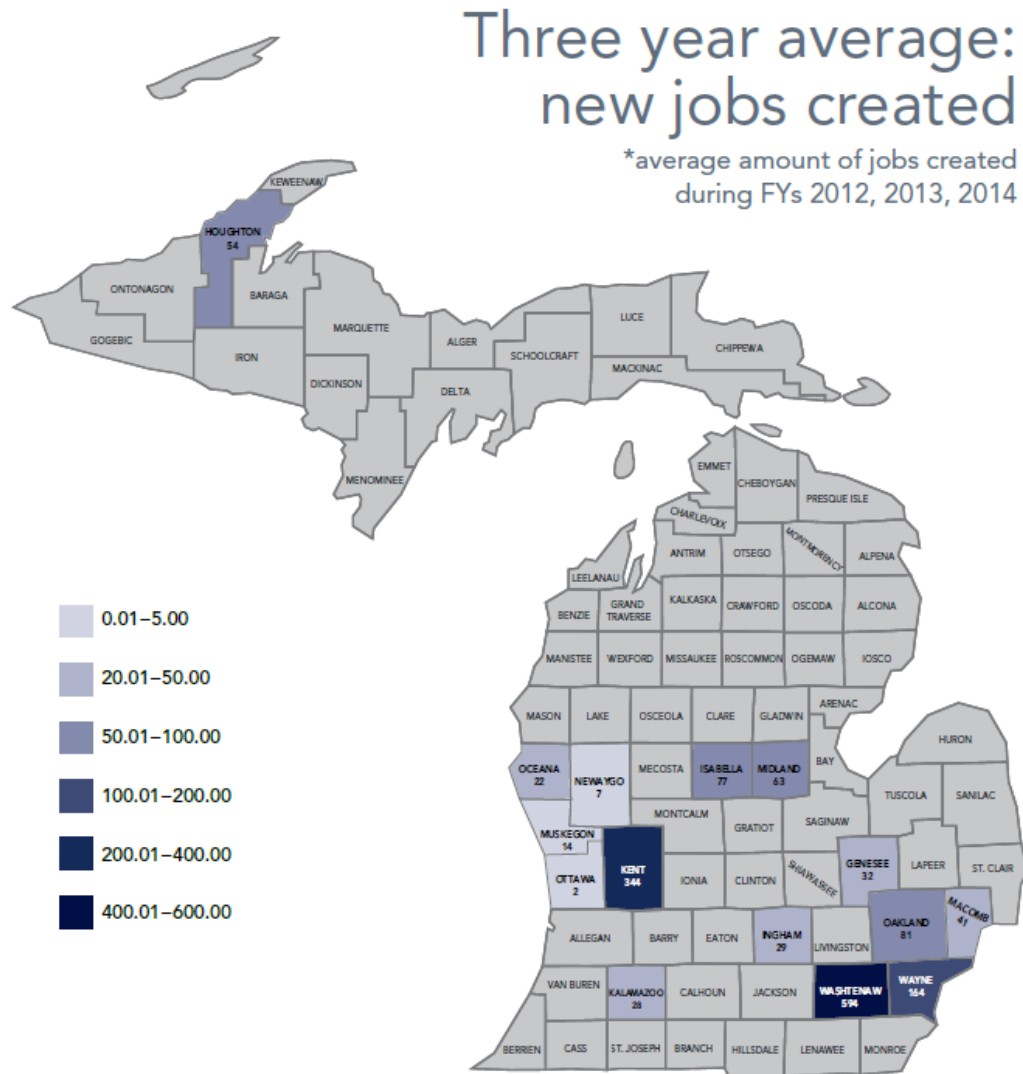
Source: Michigan Economic Development Corporation 10-year view of tech investments



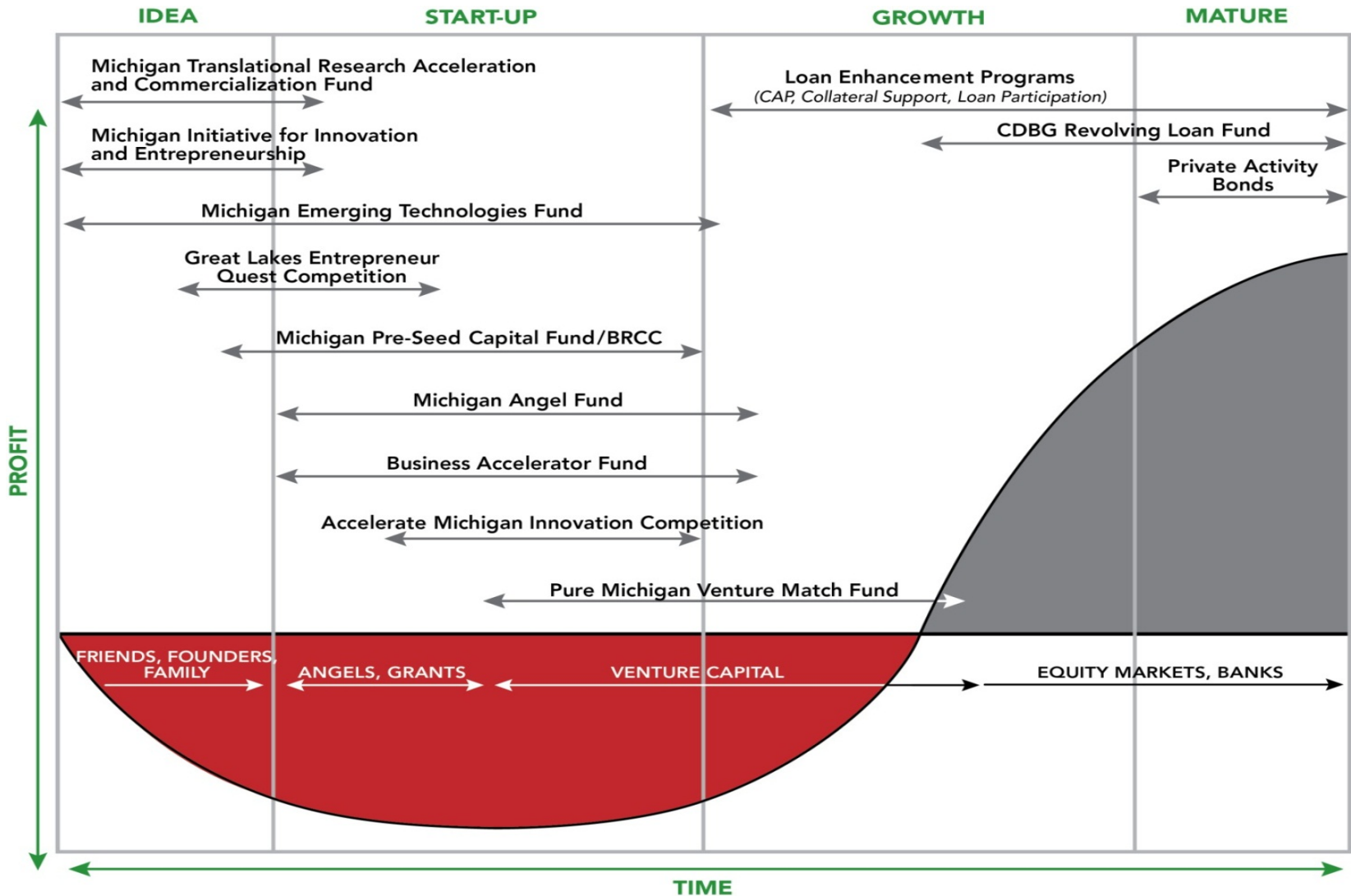
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Ceased/closed	5	5
IPO	0	1
Not Licensed	17	3
Launched/Licensed	60	125

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Launched/Licensed	25%	53%
Total	39%	61%