



**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – RESEARCH COLLABORATION AWARD
UNIVERSITY - INDUSTRY - GOVERNMENT LABORATORY
COLLABORATION SUCCESS STORIES**

Articulation of successful collaborations between university, industry and government laboratories in developing and commercializing new technologies is important. The Action Network for Research Collaboration (ANRC) maintains a collection of commercial “success stories” for use by CCR in getting out the message that collaboration among these three sectors accelerates success for the collaborating partners, and is beneficial to the country. These successes serve to publicize to the research community both al willingness to collaborate and the specific capabilities of the cited university, industry or government laboratory.

Each year CCR recognizes one of many unique collaborations by presenting the Research Collaboration Award. The ANRC is now soliciting the CCR membership for contributions to these collaborations that have led to success. These contributions will be maintained by ANRC and will be available on the CCR website. **If you have an example of a Collaboration Success Story between any two sectors, or all three, please submit it for consideration.** Electronic versions (Word format) are the preferred method of submission.

A Board of Evaluators will review all eligible entries. The Board consists of six members, two each from government laboratories, university, and industry. One Collaboration Success Story will be selected to receive the Research Collaboration Award, to be presented during a special ceremony at the Annual Meeting **May 20-22, 2012 in Dearborn, MI. At least one member of the selected team must be available at that time to discuss the effort.** We believe that all Collaboration Success Stories are winners! All new submissions will be represented in a poster displayed prominently throughout the Annual Meeting, and will be placed on the CCR website.

Project teams who are selected as winners of the Research Collaboration Award during the past three years are ineligible to be considered for the award. Submissions from different divisions in an organization comprising different investigators are eligible. Past winners are encouraged to submit revised and updated entries for the website and the poster at the annual meeting. Submittals from the previous two years will be considered for the award. Those submittals may be updated and resubmitted, but this is not necessary for reconsideration. All new and old entries satisfying the above conditions will be considered for the Award and will automatically be displayed on the poster. Entries that do not win the Award will be displayed on the poster as space permits.

Submit your nomination no later than 12 Noon EST, on Wednesday February 1, 2012 to:

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Format: Word document, 1-inch margins, 2-page maximum, title in 15-point font, text in 13-point font. (This page fits the format.)

Name: Provide the name of the collaboration. Give the name of the organization or new venture if it has progressed to a commercial status. If no formal name exists, give a descriptive name for the collaboration.

Collaborators: Provide names and affiliations of individuals or groups involved in the collaboration. At least one of the groups must be a member of the Council for Chemical Research and at least two of the three sectors (university, industry, or government labs) must be represented in the collaboration.

Description: Provide a few paragraphs that describe the successful collaboration. The Award Committee has provided the following as hallmarks of a successful collaboration.

Impact: The collaboration has an immediate or long-term impact that has led to a better product, process, or understanding which helped both partners.

Degree of Collaboration: The collaboration has resulted in significant added value from all parties involved; it is a true collaboration; no parties are simply "along for the ride"; it is not a "work for others" activity in which one party pays and the other party does most or all of the work.

Product/Process: New products, processes, or fundamental understandings have been developed that would likely not have resulted without the collaboration; the sum of the partnership efforts is greater than the individual efforts would have been.

Appropriateness: The collaboration supports the goals of CCR; the product/process developed has significant benefits to the chemical industry (in the broadest sense). Indicate why and how the collaboration was formed. Who was involved? What were (are) the goals of the collaboration? What results have been achieved that make this a successful collaboration? For commercial success stories, give financial details, if available. A website URL is optional.

Contact: List at least one individual who can be contacted for more information about this collaboration. Indicate name, position, address, telephone number, and email address.