

Centre for Innovation and Applied Research

Concordia University of Edmonton's [Centre for Innovation and Applied Research](#) (CIAR) is located in the newly constructed, Allan Wachowich [Centre for Science Research and Innovation](#).

The mission of CIAR is to advance industry and community interests by building and strengthening connections between CUE and external partners and contribute towards turning knowledge and ideas into solutions.

The CIAR assists CUE community and external entrepreneurial community in the following areas:

- Identification and development of relationships with industry and community partners for research at CUE
- Assistance in applying for government and private applied research funding
- Agreement negotiation (non-disclosure, material transfer, research contract, license agreement, option agreement and revenue distribution etc.)
- Assistance in developing business plans that include comprehensive market research
- Developing a strategy for intellectual property protection including conducting IP landscape studies
- Leasing open and private office space and wet labs to CUE spin-offs and external industry. Some photos of the labs can be found [here](#)
- Assisting in navigating through Edmonton's innovation ecosystem and connecting early stage entrepreneurs with resources available in the community
- Developing customised training to address industry and community needs and thus contributes towards creating a skilled workforce



Chemistry Lab at CIAR