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Please take a few moments to read the latest news from Columbia's Knowledge Economy. If you have knowledge economy news to share, we want to know. Send your comments and feedback to info@engenuitysc.com.

South Carolina Receives \$20 Million Research Award for Biofabrication



The National Science Foundation (NSF) awarded \$20 million to 10 S.C. colleges and universities for a statewide alliance in the field of tissue biofabrication.

The award is the largest single competitive NSF award in South Carolina history and the funded research could lead to the production of human organs.

The Midlands Entrepreneurial Community Continues to Gain Momentum

Last week, as part of the [Columbia Talent Magnet Project](#), EngenuitySC along with [SCLaunch!](#), [USC, Midlands Technical](#)



[College](#), and the [City's Office of Business Opportunities](#) hosted over 15 entrepreneurs from the local community to discuss their biggest business challenges, opportunities, and strengths as well as addressing how the entrepreneurial support network in the Midlands stacks up.

The forum's key findings indicated the need to tackle several fundamental issues of entrepreneurs in the Midlands.

- How to build a critical mass of

Dr. Roger Markwald of MUSC, the lead scientist for the project, said the research program will seek to "build tissue and organs from the inside out, which is a different approach than anyone has taken."

Watch the press conference and learn more about the award [here](#).

Scientific Social Networking for Researchers



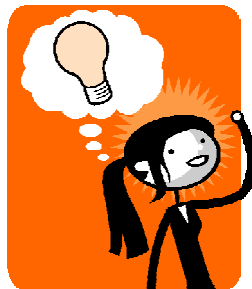
The [American Institute of Physics](#) and Columbia-based [Collexis-Holdings Inc.](#), have entered a technology partnership within the physics market.

The American Institute of Physics will use Collexis' pre-populated scientific social network to build a platform connecting the more than 135,000 scientists, engineers and educators that are part of the 10 physical science societies under the Institute.

Learn more about the world's first pre-populated scientific social network [here](#).

Do You Know Any Youth Entrepreneurs?

The South Carolina Council on Economic Education and Merrill Lynch are looking for five elementary, middle or high school students who have taken up the challenge of running their own businesses.



The five 2010 Merrill Lynch Young Entrepreneurs will be interviewed on the ETV Stock Market Program and receive a \$200 cash prize.

If you know a student who fits the profile, nominate them today!

[Nomination Form](#)

entrepreneurs in our community

- How to connect entrepreneurial peer groups together
- How to build a professional network of entrepreneurs
- How to connect start-up resources in our community to entrepreneurs

To find out more, to contribute your thoughts, or to get engaged, contact us at info@engenuitysc.com.

Leading The Midlands to Greatness Through Technology

PALMETTO PILLAR AWARDS
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The [Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce](#) and the [Information Technology Council \(ITC\)](#) are calling for nominations for the 11th annual Palmetto Pillar Awards.

The awards acknowledge organizations that are leading the Midlands to greatness through technology and innovation.

There are ten new categories to recognize "Famously Hot" technology and "Surprisingly Cool" trailblazers in the region.

EngenuitySC encourages you to submit nominations by August 7th and attend the event on August 20th. Come celebrate those who are helping to grow our region's knowledge economy!

To nominate an individual or organization and for more event information, click [here](#) or call (803) 733-1138.

Join Us At Science Cafe on July 29th!

Come learn about how DNA sequencing technology works and discuss what applications and implications it holds for the future.

[EnGenCore](#), a company launched out of USC's Arnold School of Public Health, will talk about their cutting edge technology and lead a lively discussion about what lies ahead in the area of DNA sequencing technology.



Click [HERE](#) for more details and to RSVP!