

CHILI MVP Thesis

The Challenge

No ecosystem devoted to hard-tech Gulf Coast energy startups

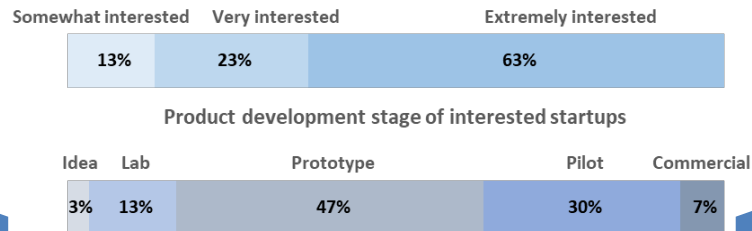
The Solution

CHILI, an integrated carbon & hydrogen startup incubator

Our Mission

- Create a **local hydrogen startup ecosystem**
- Build a distinctive program by leveraging rich **local resources from academia and industry and R&D and scale up lab partners**
- Decrease hydrogen hard-tech risk through shared **resources and partnerships**
- Create lab-to-market opportunities with local student led teams focused on **community value and Justice40**
- Align with **DOE HyVelocity Hydrogen Hub** plans
- Empower regional **2050 Hydrogen Vision**

Traction: 30 start-ups interested

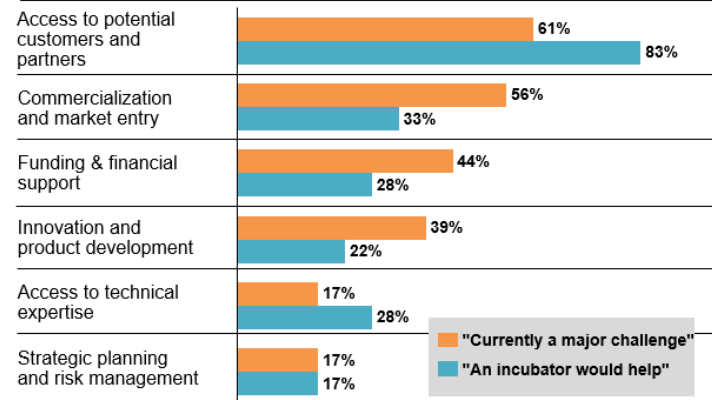


MVP Implementation Plan

Early Engagement and Feedback

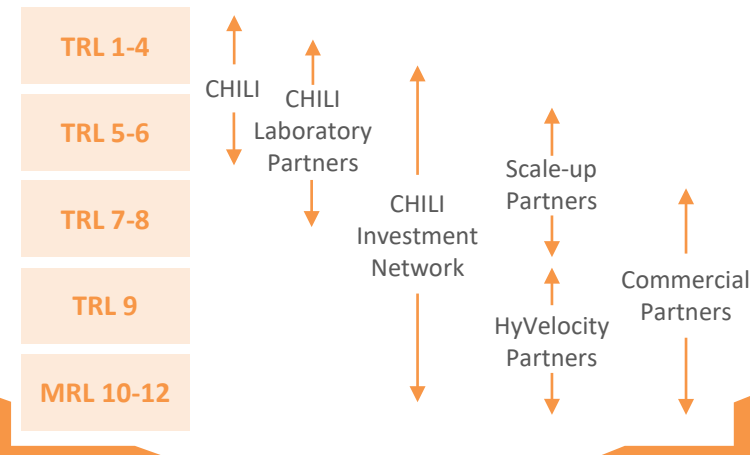
MVP designed to address incubation gaps

Key challenges identified by hydrogen start-ups surveyed



Support across the Maturation Cycle

MVP designed to address Lab to Scale incubation gaps



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Comprehensive Curriculum

CHILI will expand and build upon **University of Houston's** integrated hydrogen curriculum and the **Rice Alliance** Clean Energy Incubator

