

## 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 regional hydrogen startup ecosystem
- Deliver unique in-depth programs by leveraging academia, industry, and CHILI team expertise
- Decrease hydrogen hard-tech risk through shared resources and partnerships
- Align with DOE HyVelocity Hydrogen Hub
- Empower regional 2050 Hydrogen Vision

### MVP Progress

- Program launch of Cohort 1 on Sept 12, 2024 during Houston Climate Week.
- Ten startups chosen based technology, regional impact, and commercial and technical collaboration opportunities.

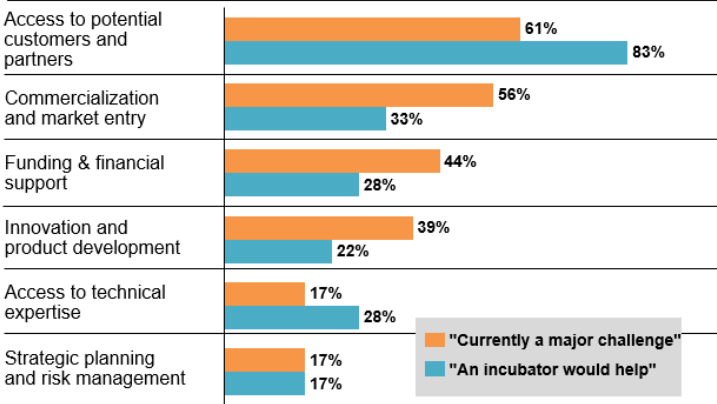


## MVP Implementation

### Early Engagement and Feedback

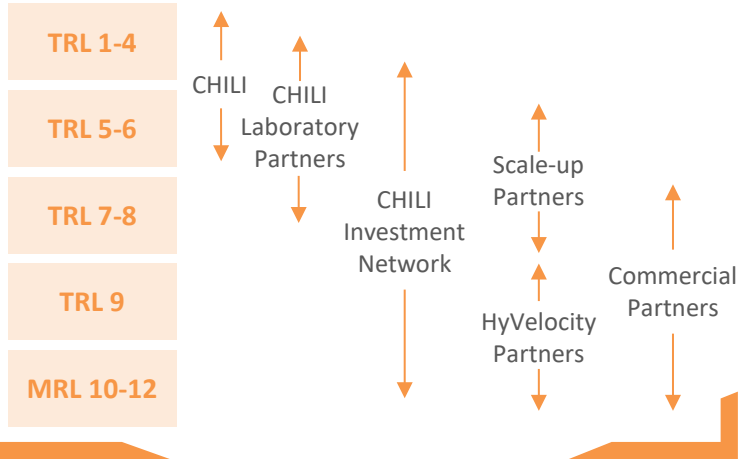
MVP designed to address incubation gaps

Key challenges identified by hydrogen start-ups surveyed



### Support across the Maturation Cycle

MVP designed to address Lab to Scale incubation gaps



## Board Members and Partners



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### Regional Partners

Corporate and University partners provide expertise and scaling opportunities.

