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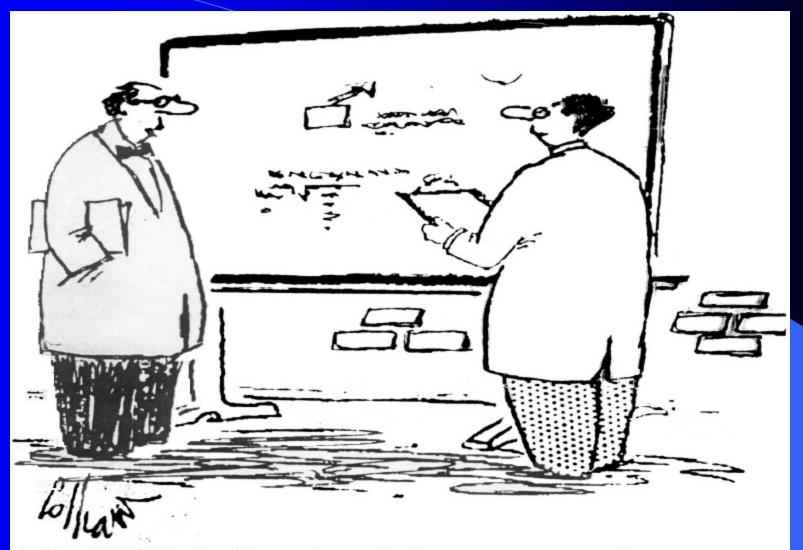
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CHALLENGES FROM THE ACADEMIC PERSPECTIVE and/or CHALLENGES OF WORKING WITH THE ACADEMY

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RESEARCH UNIVERSITY ROLES

- Teaching
- Research
- Public Service
- Tech Transfer/Economic Development (?)



"Remember, our job is to expand the boundaries of science and make a buck at the same time."

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Homeland Security
- Bioterrorism
- Enhanced/New Opportunities in Life,
 Chemical, and Environmental Disciplines
- Opportunities to Involve New Faculty

CURRENT CHALLENGES - FINANCIAL

- Public Funding Reductions
- Federal Research Funding Instability
- Corporate Research Funding Instability
- Endowment Corpus Losses
- Health Care Reimbursement Reductions
- Increasing Regulatory/Compliance Burden

CURRENT CHALLENGES – PRIVATE SECTOR

- Maintenance of Academic Culture and Integrity
- Identifying the Outcome of the Relationship
- Professional Reward System
- Clarity/Flexibility in University Policies and Procedures
- New Government Regulations

PERCEIVED BENEFITS OF PRIVATE SECTOR RELATIONSHIPS

- Outlet for Application of Knowledge
- Student Learning Opportunities
- Grant and Contract Revenue
- Philanthropy
- Consultantships
- Option/License Revenue

SUGGESTIONS FOR SUCCESS

- Work with Faculty and Institutions with "DI" Experience
- Stay Close to Faculty PI's
- Understand Forces/Pressure on Faculty
- Incentivize Faculty PI's
- Expose "Rookies" to "Veterans"
- Cover "Full" Direct and Indirect Costs



"I'm a scientist and the world's in imminent peril, that's why."



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