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Congratulations to this year's CU Innovation & Efficiency (CU I&E) finalists! Out of a pool of accepted submissions from across CU, nine projects will move forward for award consideration.

In alphabetical order by title of submission, this year's finalists are

- Change of Major/Minor Automated Robot Process [2]
- Decreasing Clinical Research Startup Time [3]
- Departmental Indirect Cost Recovery Split % Report Automation [4]
- Hiring Request Portal Enrollment Management | Finance & Business Strategy [5]
- On Time, On Budget: The Key to Award Management Success [6]
- <u>Research Cores</u>, <u>Rewired</u>: <u>The Case for Automation with Tools You Already Own</u> [7]
- <u>Safety Permit Approval & Generation Using Power Automated</u> [8]
- Sponsor Setup Automation [9]
- Sustainability in Simulation Operations [10]

What happens next?

This week, the finalist teams are completing their audio interviews. The OUC's s Multimedia Communications Team incorporates audio files into animated videos that describe the highlights of each submission and visualize the impact of the project. In May, the CU I&E selection committee will watch the videos as part of a live Question & Answer session, and then determine award winners. We expect to make the award announcement in early June.

Thank you to all CU I&E submitters this year!

We appreciate and congratulate all submitters whose innovative projects were vetted and published on the OUC's <u>CU I&E website</u> [11] this year. Thank you for your efforts to make CU work better. Thank you for sharing that work with your peers across the University.

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