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Wadhvani Innovation Centre for Life Sciences and Medical Technologies opens at IIT Kanpur

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The Wadhvani Innovation Centre for Life Sciences and Medical Technologies - a Centre of Excellence (CoE), has been established at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur to strengthen the translation of research into products and solutions for healthcare.

The Centre will receive \$5 million in funding over five years to support the development, validation and commercialisation of promising innovations across life sciences, biotechnology, medical technologies, and AI-enabled healthcare services.

The new Centre will support high-potential research from areas like therapeutics, regenerative medicine and drug delivery to vaccines, medical devices and diagnostics. It will also focus on emerging fields like neurodegenerative diseases, mental health, antimicrobial resistance and AI-enabled healthcare.

Building on IIT Kanpur's research strengths, the Centre will help promising ideas move from the lab to real-world healthcare applications. It will support researchers through validation, IP and regulatory processes, while helping connect them with industry for technology transfer and commercialisation.

The Wadhvani-IIT Kanpur Innovation Centre is part of the Wadhvani Innovation Network (WIN), the Wadhvani Foundation's flagship innovation initiative in India, which is building a national network of Innovation Centres to strengthen research translation and commercialisation.