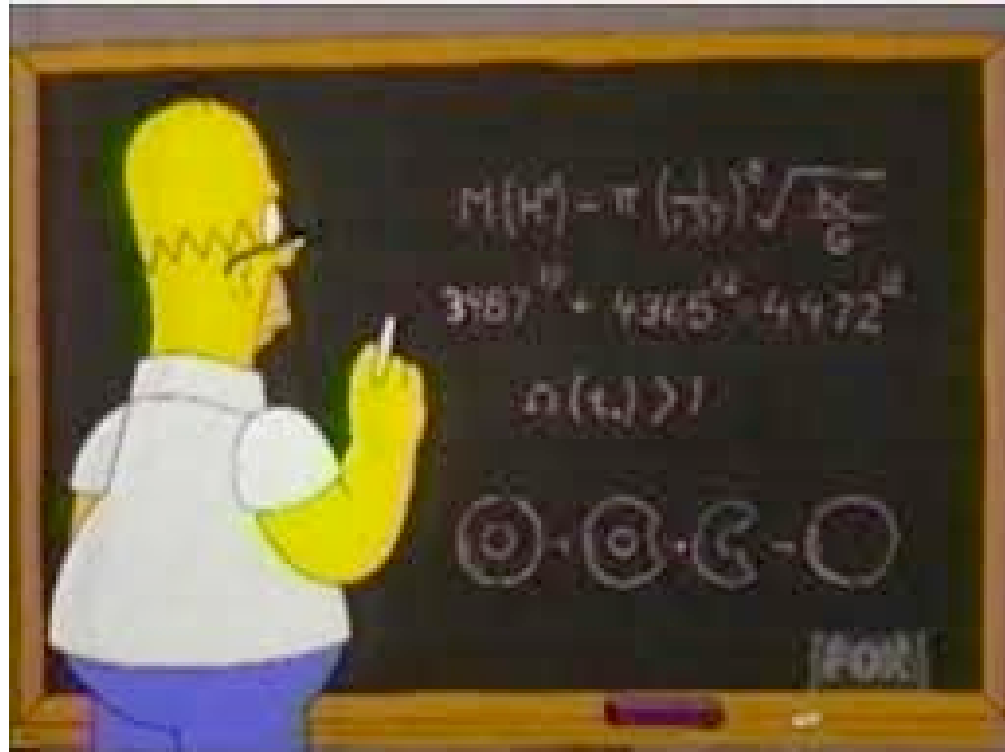


# Purpose of Evaluation Research

Measure effects of a program against the goals it sets out to accomplish as a way to **guide subsequent decisions** about a program and identify program improvements.

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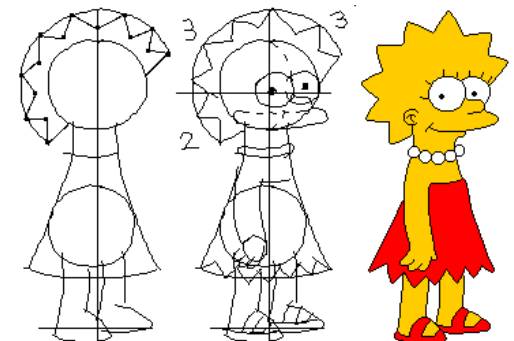
- NSF
- Industry members
- Center Directors
- Broader Academic Community



# So what?

- **Action-oriented management recommendations based on sound research**
  - Structures and management practices that facilitate innovation and technology transfer
  - Understand why industry and faculty members join and stay in Centers
  - How to manage and maintain an IU center for the long term

→ Evaluation helps make the case



# *Evaluator Research as of June 2013*

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- **Human Capital Impacts of Serving as an IUCRC Director (Denis Gray & Drew Rivers)**
- **Center Fidelity Survey (Gray, McGowen, Leonchuk & DeYoung)**
- **Technological Breakthroughs (C. Scott)**

# Research Ideas

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- **IAB Representative Toolkit (Expectations, Schedules, Best Practices, Materials)**
- **Gate-keeper effectiveness (part 2)**
- **Career Impacts on IUCRC students (part 2)**
- **Optimal funding level for I/UCRCs (Napkin Study)**
- **Survey of Deans regarding attitudes towards IUCRCs**
- **Economic Impacts**
- **IUCRC program impacts on US innovation & innovative capacity**

# Solicitation of Research Proposals

*“The scientist is not a person who gives the right answers, he is one who asks the right questions.”*  
—Claude Levi Strauss

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## Proposal Process

1. One page description
2. NSF & Peer review
3. Full proposal based on collective input

# Questions / Discussion

