Alloy GROWTH LAB

ALLOY AI INNOVATION HUB
AI + ADVANCED MANUFACTURING INITIATIVE

THE FORGE COHORT, POWERED BY ALLOY · FOR AI COMPANIES

Build for the factory floor, with the factory in the room.

— The Forge cohort helps AI companies test market assumptions, connect with industry and reach concrete commercialization milestones.

$24,000 value No tuition, no equity	**Jan–Sep 2027** Cincinnati/Dayton	**In person** Alloy Growth Lab	**Your IP** Stays yours

01 Business coaching

Providing one-on-one coaching on your commercialization and strategic priorities.

02 Customer discovery

Test your assumptions with regional advanced manufacturers on real production problems.

03 Expert and investor introductions

Technical experts, a community of peers, potential customers, mentors and investors.

04 Weekly meetups and use of Hub

Meet with the coaches weekly, in Alloy Growth Lab space or facilities where appropriate.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

AI companies in the Cincinnati/Dayton region building for advanced manufacturing, at any stage, with or without prior funding. Your application doesn't have to be perfect. No cash grants: the value is coaching, expertise and introductions.

TIMELINE

01	02	03	04
Dec 14, 2026 Apply online	**Dec 18** Finalists notified	**Jan 4–15, 2027** Finalist interviews	**Jan–Sep 2027** Program runs

Apply to the Forge cohort by Dec 14

Apply online at forge.alloydev.org

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