

Family Offices Harnessing the Power of Deep Tech Investments

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Introduction

In recent years, technology has cemented itself as one of the most prevalent and rewarding investment landscapes for family offices. As technological innovation continues to evolve, business procedures are following suit, ultimately resulting in the emergence of new tech startups at a rate faster than ever before. Consequently, direct family office investments in deep tech companies, a growing subset of the tech industry, is soaring alongside.

Deep technologies have the potential to deliver dramatic improvements over advancements currently in use. With that said, large investments and a considerable amount of effort will be necessary to bring these technologies from the lab to the market. In an effort to shine light on family offices harnessing deep tech opportunities, we have provided a breakdown of data demonstrating this growing trend. Unless otherwise cited, all data within this narrative was derived using the FINTRX family office data and research platform.

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Deep Tech Sectors & Key Terms

\gg	Artificial Intelligence (AI)
\gg	Robotics & Robotic Automation
\gg	Quantum Computing
\gg	Advanced Materials
\gg	Advanced Manufacturing
\gg	Biotechnology
\gg	Blockchain

- Cryptocurrency

- >> Machine Learning
 - Internet of Things (IoT)
 - Virtual and Augmented Reality
 - Big Data



Defining Deep Tech

Deep tech is a relatively new term <u>coined in 2014 by Swati Chaturvedi</u> used to describe a set of disruptive technologies based on scientific discoveries, engineering, mathematics, physics and medicine. However, companies applying existing technologies (such as Uber, for instance) differ from those in the deep tech space which are making veritable advancements in science that have a significant impact on businesses and corporations. To distinguish one phenomenon from the other, the term 'deep tech' was created. Deep technologies present unique opportunities for investors to catalyze change and lay the foundation for further novelties, and family offices are eager to jump on board.

Why would deep tech investments be fruitful for family offices?

Family office investors are frequently characterized as being opportunistic, flexible and patient over the longterm. These traits make them ideal candidates for deep tech companies seeking capital. It's important to note, investments into deep tech companies are differentiated from investments into the greater tech industry, as they often require the investor to stake their capital knowing they may not see immediate returns due to the significant amount of scientific research and development required for such companies to come to fruition. Sacrificing short-term alpha, which is a characteristic strategy of family office investors to begin with, is highly rewarding for the deep tech investor, as long-term yields from deep tech investments have not only proved to be highly profitable, but extremely beneficial to societal growth as well.

Single Family Office / Multi Family Office Breakdown



of family offices demonstrating interest in deep tech are Single Family Offices



of family offices demonstrating interest in deep tech are Multi Family Offices

Defining Deep Tech

Today's innovators have a wealth of technological capability at their fingertips. Over the last few decades, novel advances have been driven by the use of progressive platform technologies (desktop computers, world wide web, mobile technologies, etc.) that ultimately led to a variety of applications in industries across the board. Companies that began as digital businesses are increasingly reshaping their strategies toward deep tech as well. Investors and companies are now looking for the next source of deep tech advances capable of fueling the next industrial revolution.

One of the most notable rising trends, however, is the role of deep tech startups and its increasingly important collaborations with family office investors. Through the FINTRX family office data and research platform, we frequently see allocations into deep tech companies. For example, ICON Technologies, a Texas-based deep tech startup founded in 2017, received both Seed and Series A funding from both single family office, Cercano Management, and multi-family office, Caz Investments between 2018 and 2020. ICON develops advanced technologies that advance humanity through the use of 3D printing robotics, software and advanced materials.





60% of deep tech startups identified funding as their most critical resource ("<u>Deep Tech</u> <u>Ecosystems</u>." BCG, 2020).

53%

53% of family offices demonstrating an interest in deep tech are domiciled in the United States (FINTRX).





Venture capital funding for deep tech startups increased from an estimated \$15 billion to over \$77.5 billion from 2016 to 2021, averaging roughly **94%** year over year growth ("<u>What</u> <u>CEOs Need to Know About Deep Tech</u>." BCG, 2022).

Family Offices Investing In Deep Tech

Companies and investors have a lot to gain from deep technologies, but harnessing their potential advantages takes a new approach to working with external partners. When it comes to family offices, we often see these private wealth entities identifying the capabilities that a startup can leverage (data, client network, business knowledge, facilities, mentors, technical experts, cash flow monitoring, etc.). Besides helping a startup become a potential business partner, giving it access to internal resources can help spread an entrepreneurial spirit which often leads to higher returns in the long run. The dramatic rise in deep tech appeal and its broadening reach to new investor classes is notably emphasized within the global family office market.



Top 5 Deep Tech Sub-Sectors Amongst Family Offices

% of Family Offices Displaying Interest



Deep Tech Family Office Investor AUM Breakdown

Assets Under Management

Geographic Breakdown

Global Private Investments in Deep Tech are on the Rise

Family office investors are looking elsewhere for 'the next big thing' in tech. Many seek technologies that have the potential to solve major societal and environmental issues, drive economic growth by improving on current products and services, create new markets and enhance underdeveloped countries. As you can see below, deep tech is the most prominent among family offices throughout Asia and North America, though this trend has been rapidly gaining momentum across the entire global family office landscape.





Conclusion

The technology landscape is constantly evolving, but companies need to know today which technologies will drive the greatest digital disruption and economic change over the next decade. Although deep tech is still in its earlier stages, it is almost guaranteed to be a defining investment for family offices moving forward. Not only does this landscape allow for remarkable change, but such advances allow their family office to flourish for generations to come. Popularity in deep technologies is only beginning to grow, proving to be exceedingly advantageous to early investors. There is no doubt that this subset of the tech industry will continue to transform businesses and society as a whole. That said, the time to craft a deep tech investment strategy is now.

Highlights:

- Deep tech lies at the crossroads of massive shift in demand led by trends such as global climate change, demographic shifts, resource scarcity and an aging population - trends which have an impact across all industries.
- Companies themselves have a lot to gain from deep technologies, but harnessing their potential advantages takes a new approach to working with external partners.
- Increased sophistication allows for more opportunities to broaden internal investment capabilities.



About FINTRX

FINTRX is a unified data & research platform providing comprehensive data intelligence on 850,000+ family office & investment advisor records, each designed to help asset-raising professionals identify, access & map the global private wealth ecosystem.

FINTRX data covers 3,700+ family offices, nearly 20,000 family office contacts, 39,500+ registered investment advisor entities, and 743,000+ registered reps. Data is sourced from 10+ public & private sources. Equipped with 375+ search filters, FINTRX allows you to seamlessly track where family office & investment advisor capital is flowing, uncover allocation trends, break down investments by sector & size, understand future investment plans and more.

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