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- Works across disciplines, schools and campuses to foster interdisciplinary research collaboration

- Identifies opportunities and strategies for enhancing Columbia's research presence

Lessons Learned

- HPC Infrastructure is typically not considered intellectually intriguing or glamorous

- What's good for the institution as a whole is seldom good for all individual parts

- Many people must agree….and there's always a Ted Cruz

- Educate, Re-educate and Document!

Up at Night

- Technology innovation & adoption that obviates your investment

- Constantly changing leadership or influencers

- Federal funding policies that undermine sound economics