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Ben Hurley is a seasoned innovation investor and hands-on new venture leader, experienced at stepping into and delivering in innovative business situations that demand both initiative and a tolerance for risk. Ben is CEO and a member of the board of NDRC, an early stage ventures investment firm in the technology sector, where he built the team and lead's the enterprise's high-touch and focused approach to commercial innovation and new venture creation from opportunities in the research base.

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