Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP)

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Services Provided by Technology Transfer and Contracts (TTC)

- Assist university researchers:
  - In negotiating and reviewing all research-related contracts such as nondisclosure, sponsored research, fee for service and material transfer agreements.
  - With invention disclosures, patent filings and market analysis of the technology
- Manage the university’s patent application process and negotiate licensing agreements
- Protect and transfer university intellectual property (IP) to industry
- Support, encourage and assist faculty in startup and spinout activities
Contract Review

- Review, write, negotiate terms and conditions for sponsored research contracts
- TTC works closely with Pre- and Post Award Support Services and TSUS legal office to ensure that the terms of research contracts support the university’s mission and do not hinder academic freedom
- TTC works closely with the Research Integrity & Compliance to ensure that we are in compliance with Federal and State laws as well as university policies
Instructional or Research Related Contracts from a Sponsor/PI

Technology Transfer and Contracts (TTC)

- Review starts within Two Business days
- TTC will notify Research Integrity and Compliance (RIC) if there are any compliance-related concerns
- Negotiation starts after PI approval and Pre Award budget acceptance

Pre Award will work with the PI to finalize the budget and complete routing

Negotiations, Approvals and Execution

Send fully executed agreement to sponsor and to PI with cc RC

System’s Legal Office Review

All Sponsored Program Agreements and documents forward to the Pre Award

Fee for Service Agreements to Budgeting/Accounting
Intellectual Property (IP) Assistance, Management and Transfer

- Provide general guidance on Patent related questions and issues
- Assist university researchers with Invention Disclosure Forms (IDFs)
- TTC is responsible for initiating the filing of protection mechanisms for university owned IP and coordinating any needed IP related actions
- Manage and coordinate the university’s Patents, License Agreements and Material Transfer Agreements.
- Market technology to potential licensees.
Technology Management Process

- Faculty, Staff, Students
  - Invention, Discovery, Intellectual Creations

  - Invention Disclosure Form (IDF)
    - Submit to TTC

    - Defer Decision Pending Additional Research or Information

    - Send to Commercial Market Assessment
      - Commercial Market Assessment Report
        - IP Committee Recommendations
          - Hold the Disclosure Due to Ongoing Research
          - File Patent
            - Release to Inventor
          - Identify Potential Licensees
            - Market Technology or other IP
              - Negotiate License Agreement
IP Committee

Dr. Reddy Venumbaka, Director, TTC, Chair
Ms. Teresa Carey, Assistant Director, TTC
Mr. Stephen Frayser, Executive Director, STAR Park
Dr. Scott Kruse, Faculty Representative
Dr. Yijuan (Lucy) Lu, Faculty Representative
Dr. Stan McClellan, Faculty Representative
Dr. Edwin Piner, Faculty Representative
Dr. Bahram Asiabanpour, Faculty Senate Representative
Dr. Kenneth Smith, Faculty Representative
Ms. Stephanie Towery, Copyright Officer
Results of Technology Transfer Activities since May 2010

- 93 Invention Disclosures were received.
- 45 Provisional Patents and 18 US Patent Applications were filled (5 US patents issued).
- 4 companies were formed.
- 7 Licensing Agreements were signed.
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