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UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY POLICY

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The prompt and open dissemination of the results of research and creative work am ong scholars and, eventually, to the public at large is essential to the University's mission of education and research. The commercial development and distribution of the results of research and creative work to benefit the inventor or creator and the economy is part of the University's mission of public service. This Policy is intended to facilitate the commercial development of intellectual property arising at the University and to provide an incentive to University inventors or creators to participate in such development while acknowledging the University's primary goal of the discovery and dissemination of knowledge.

I. **DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Policy, the following words shall have the following meanings:

- A. <u>Confidential Information</u> Information that is received by a Covered Individual from a third party under an express or implied obligation of confidence.
- B. <u>Covered Individuals</u> All staff, faculty members, students, adjunct professors in residence, and any other individuals associated with the University.
- C. <u>Copyrightable Work</u> A creative work that is protectable under the copy right laws of the United States or other countries. Copyright protection is available for most literary, musical, dramatic, and other ty pes of creative works, including, for exam ple, com puter software, teaching materials, multimedia works, proposals, and research reports.
- D. <u>CVIP</u> The University Office of Commercial Ventures and Intellectual Property, which has primary responsibility for administering the developm ent and commercialization of Intellectual Property through licensing or other arrangements. CVIP may also be referred to as the Office of Technology Management or OTM.
- E. Director The Executive Director of the CVIP.
 - F. <u>Evaluation Committee</u> or <u>Committee</u> One of several Univer sity committees, each with a particular area of technical expertise, that advises the CVIP and Vice Chancellor for Research in evaluating Inventions, Tangible Research Materials, and Copyrightable Works.
 - G. Exempted Scholarly Work A Scholarly Work that falls within certain categories of Copyrightable Works that have been form ally recognized by the University as being Scholarly Works. The University currently recognizes the following categories of Exempted Scholarly Works: textbooks, class notes, research articles, research m onographs, student

theses and dissertations, paintings, drawings, scu lpture, musical compositions, poetry, and popular fiction and nonfiction. The President may adopt additional categories of Exem pted Scholarly Works. As described below, under most circum stances Exempted Scholarly Works need not be disclosed to the University and the University automatically waives any ownership interest in such works.

- H. <u>Intellectual Property</u> Inventions, Copyrightable Works, and Tangible Research Materials.
- I. <u>Invention</u> A discovery or developm ent that is protectable under the patent laws of the United States or other countries.
- J. <u>Outside Researcher</u> An individual who perform s or directs research for an organization other than the University.
- K. <u>President</u> The President of the University or his or her designee.
 - L. <u>Public Disclosure</u> or <u>Publicly Disclosed</u> Any written or oral disclosure of an Invention or Copyrightable Work to any person not under a contractual or fiduciary obligation of confidentiality to the University.
 - M. <u>Scholarly Work</u> A Copy rightable Work that has the prim ary goal of disseminating academic or scholarly knowledge, or is a work of art or literature. As described below, whether a Copy rightable Work is a Scholarly Work will be determined by the Director and Vice Chancellor for Research on a case-by -case b asis (except that Exem pted Scholarly Works are autom atically considered Scholar ly Works), and under m ost circum stances the University waives all ownership interests in Scholarly Works.
 - N. <u>Tangible Research Materials</u> or <u>Materials</u> Tangible biological, chem ical, and physical materials or equipment. Exam ples include cell lines, antibodies, DNA or RNA, chem ical samples, plasmids, and prototypes.
- O. <u>Vice Chancellor for Research</u> The Vice Chancellor for Resear ch at each campus, or where no such person exists, the Provost (or their designees).

II. SCOPE

A. Persons Subject to the Policy

All Covered Individuals are subject to this Policy.

B. Types of Intellectual Property Covered by the Policy

This Policy addresses the three categories of Intellectual Property (Inventions, Copyrightable Works, and Tangible Research Materials) as well as Confidential Inform ation. The President shall have authority to designate additional types of Intellectual Property under this Policy.

III. POLICY

A. Participation Agreement

The University has adopted a Participation Agr eement, attached as Exhibit A, that confirm s acceptance of this Policy by Covered Individuals and assigns to the University all rights in any Intellectual Property in which the University asserts ownership (as described below).

- 1. <u>Students</u> Students m ust sign the Participation Agreem ent prior to em ployment by the University in any research-related position. Such em ployment would include, for example, an arrangem ent whereby a student is funded as a research assistant under a government research grant or an industry -sponsored research agreem ent with the University. Students m ay also be required to sign the Participation Agreem ent under other appropriate circumstances, as determined by the Vice Chancellor for Research.
- 2. <u>Individuals Other Than Students</u> All Covered Individuals other than students m ust sign the Participation Agreem ent. The Univers ity will confirm that a valid Participation Agreement is on file before a Covered Indi vidual receives any University-administered funds under a sponsored research grant or agreement.

B. Ownership of Intellectual Property

Any Covered Individual who invents, creates, or discovers any Intellectual Property will own all rights to such Intellectual Property except as follows:

1. <u>Use of University Resources</u> - The University will own any Intellectual Property (other than Exempted Scholarly Works) that is made, discovered, or created by any Covered Individual who m akes significant use of University resources (including University-administered funds or University-funded time, facilities, or equipm ent) in connection with the developm ent of such Intellectual Property. If the Individual uses only library facilities and occasional use of office equipm ent to create the Intellectual Property, such use will not ordinarily be considered "significant use" of University resources.

If a Covered Individual makes, creates or discovers Intellectual Property (other than Exempted Scholarly Works) that is the same as, directly related to, or substantially similar to a research project in which that faculty member is engaged at the University, then "significant use" of University resources will be presumed. As described below, the Covered Individual may rebut this presumption of University ownership through submission of documentary evidence which clearly establishes that the Intellectual Property was developed without significant use of University resources.

- 2. <u>University-Commissioned Works</u> The University will own any Intellectual Property (including Exempted Scholarly Works) that is made, discovered, or created by a Covered Individual who is specifically hired or commissioned by the University for that purpose, unless otherwise provided by written agreem ent between such individual and the University.
 - 3. <u>Intellectual Property Subject to Contractual Obligations</u> Ownership of any Intellectual Property (including Exempted Scholarly Works) that is made, discovered, or created in the course of research funded by a sponsor pursuant to a grant or research agreement, or which is subject to a materials transfer agreement, confidential disclosure agreement or

other legal obligation affecting ownership, will be governed by the terms of such grant or agreement, as approved by the University, although the University will ordinarily claim ownership.

4. Student Works

- a. Generally As with other Covered Indi viduals, students shall own any Intellectual Property that they make, discover, or create in the course of research (e.g., thesis or dissertation research) unless (i) the student received financial support from the University in the form of wages, salary, stipend, or grant funds for the research, (ii) the student made significant use of University resources (including University-administered funds or University-funded time, facilities, or equipment) in connection with the research, or (iii) the research was funded by a sponsor pursuant to a grant or sponsored research agreement or is subject to a materials transfer agreement, confidential disclosure agreement, or other legal obligation that restricts ownership of Intellectual Property.
- b. Theses and Dissertations All student theses and dissertations are considered Exempted Scholarly Works; therefore, the student will own copy right to the Scholarly Work (unless Sections III.B.2. or III.B.3. apply), subject to a roy altyfree license to the University to reproduce and publish the Scholarly Work. As described below, students are allowed to publish their theses and dissertations unless they have agreed in writing to restrictions that preclude or delay publication.

Under certain circum stances, as described in Section III.C.3. below, the University will relinquish its rights in Intellectual Property to the inventor or creator of that Intellectual Property at his or her request.

C. Administrative Procedures - Inventions and Copyrightable Works

A primary goal of the University is the di scovery and free dissem ination of knowledge for the benefit of the public. The University recognizes, however, that in certain instances the public will only benefit from knowledge that is protected under the patent or copyright laws, which provide an incentive for econom ic development of that knowledge. The University therefore requests that all Covered Individuals disclose Inventions and Copyrightable Works (other than Exem pted Scholarly Works) promptly, in order to allow the University an opportunity to evaluate their commercial potential, and to preserve or enhance their value by filing a patent application or obtaining a copy right registration. The University has established the following procedures in order to accom plish the dual objectives of disseminating knowledge and maximizing the economic value of that knowledge.

1. <u>Disclosure to the University</u> - Disclosure forms should be submitted to the CVIP or the Vice Chancellor for Research. The Vice Chancellor for Research and the CVIP will exchange copies of all disclosure form s that each receives. The Vice Chancellor for Research will also make available to the campus Office of Grants and Contracts appropriate information to permit required disclosures to research sponsors (e.g., federal agencies). The CVIP will make available appropriate disclosure forms. The treatment of different categories of Intellectual Property is set forth below.

a. Intellectual Property Developed with University Resources - All Covered Individuals are encouraged to disclose promptly all Inventions and Copyrightable Works (except Exem pted Scholarly Works) that (i) are developed with significant use of University resources or (ii) are the sam e as, directly related to, or substantially similar to a research project in which that faculty m ember is engaged at the University (see Section III.B.1. above). Although the disclosure of such Inventions and Copy rightable Works is generally voluntary, if the Covered Individual intends to commercialize such Intellectual Property disclosure is required reasonably before the Covered Individual takes any action to commercialize such Intellectual Property . Exam ples of commercial actions include, without limitation, seeking patent or copy right protection, commencing discussions with potential investors or li censees, or transferring the Intellectual Property to a third party.

If a Copy rightable Work is an Exem pted Scholarly Work, no disclosure is required under any circumstances. In other cases in which a Covered Individual desires treatment of a Copy rightable Work as a Scholarly Work, the Covered Individual should submit to the CVIP or Vice Chancellor for Research, in addition to the disclosure form, a request for treatment of the work as a Scholarly Work and a brief explanation of why the work should be a Scholarly Work.

In the case of an Invention or Copy rightable Work that the Covered Individual claims is not subject to University ownership because the Intellectual Property was developed without significant use of University resources, the Covered Individual should subme it to the CVIP or Vice Chancellor for Research, in addition to the disclosure form and a request for confirm at at a request for confirm at a stablishes that fact.

- b. <u>University-Commissioned Works</u> In the case of Inventions and Copyrightable Works (including Exem pted Scholarly Works) that a Covered Individual is specifically hired or commissioned by the University to develop (see Section III.B.2. above), disclosure of the Intellectual Property is required unless otherwise provided by written agreem ent between such individual and the University.
- c. Intellectual Property Subject to Contractual Obligations

 Research Agreem ents) In the case of Inventions and Copy (including Exem pted Scholarly Works) developed in the funded by a sponsor pursuant to a grant or research agreem ent, or which is subject to a materials transfer agreement, confidential disclosure agreement or other legal obligation requiring disclosure, the disclosure of such Intellectual Property will be governed by the terms of such grant or agreement, as approved by the University, if such terms differ from this Policy.
- 2. Evaluation and Disposition of Disclosures The Director and the Vice Chancellor for Research will review, evaluate, and make a disposition of all disclosure form s, and will promptly notify the Covered Individual of their disposition. The evaluation and disposition of a disclosure will be completed as soon as possible, but for Inventions ordinarily no later than ninety (90) days, and for Copyrightable Works ordinarily no later than thirty (30) day s after the CVIP or the Vice Chancellor for Research receives a

complete and accurate disclosure form and any other information that the CVIP or the Vice Chancellor for Research requests in order to make an inform ed evaluation of an Invention or Copyrightable Work. Disclosure forms will be evaluated for one of more of the following dispositions, subject to the a ppeals process described in Section III.C.4. below:

- a. <u>Scholarly Work</u> In the case of a Copy rightable Work that is claimed as a Scholarly Work (but is not an Exem pted Scholarly Work), the Director and the Vice Chancellor for Research will decide whether that work is in fact a Scholarly Work.
- b. No Use of University Resources In the case of an Invention or Copy rightable Work that the Covered Individual claims is not subject to University ownership because the Intellectual Property was developed without significant use of University resources, the Director and the Vice Chancellor for Research will decide whether there was in fact significant use of University resources.
- c. Evaluation of Commercial Potential: The Evaluation Committees In the case of an Invention or Copy rightable Work that the Covered Individual discloses for possible commercialization by the University, the Director and the Vice Chancellor for Research will determine its commercial potential. To assist in this determination, the Director and the Vice Chancellor for Research m ay consult with patent or copyright counsel and outside experts in particular fields.

In addition to these resources, the Director and the Vice Chancellor for Research may seek the advice of various Evaluation Com mittees with expertise in various fields of research, which Com mittees the President shall have authority to establish at his or her discretion. Each Com mittee will be composed of faculty members with relevant expertise, appoint ed by the Chancellors in consultation with the Director and the Vice Chancellors for Research; a representative from the CVIP other than the Director; and a Committee Chair, selected by vote of the whole Committee. The Director may invite to any Committee meeting one or more individuals from outside the University with relevant industry experience to advise the Committee.

In the case of Inventions or Copyrightable Works (including Exempted Scholarly Works) that arise in the course of research funded by a sponsor under a grant or research agreement, or which are subject to a materials transfer agreement, confidential disclosure agreement, or other legal obligation affecential evaluation of disclosures, the evaluation process will be governed by the terms of such grant or agreement, as approved by the University, if such terms differ from this Policy.

In the unlikely event that the Director and the Vice Chancellor for Research disagree on the disposition of a disclosed Invention or Copy rightable Work, a final decision shall be made by the President.

3. <u>Request for Relinquishment of Rights</u> - Under certain circum stances, as described below, the University may relinquish its ownership rights in an Invention or Copyrightable Work to the inventor or creator of the Intellectual Property at his or her request.

- a. <u>Intellectual Property Developed With University Resources</u> The University automatically waives its rights in Exem pted Scholarly Works. In all other cases, the University will ordinarily waive its ownership rights in favor of the inventor or creator of an Invention or Copy rightable Work if the Covered Individual has made complete and accurate disclosure of such Intellectual Property in accordance with this Policy and the Director and Vice Chancellor for Research have determined that the Intellectual Property comes under one or more of the following categories (as described in detail above):
 - ° Copyrightable Work that is a Scholarly Work
 - Intellectual Property developed without significant use of University resources
 - Intellectual Property that the University has decided not to commercialize
- b. <u>University-Commissioned Works</u> The University will not ordinarily waive its ownership rights in any Intellectual Property (including Exem pted Scholarly Works) that is developed by a Covered Individual who is specifically hired or commissioned by the University for that purpose, unless otherwise provided by written agreement between such individual and the University.
- c. Intellectual Property Subject to Contractual Obligations In the case of Intellectual Property (including Exempted Scholarly Works) that is developed in the course of research funded by a sponsor pursuant to a grant or research agreement, or which is subject to a materials transfer agreement, confidential disclosure agreement, or other legal obligation affecting ownership, the relinquishment of any University rights in the Intellectual Property will be governed by the terms of the relevant grant or agreement, as approved by the University, if such terms differ from this Policy. A Covered Individual may need a separate waiver or assignment of rights from the other party in order to acquire complete rights to the Intellectual Property.

If certain Intellectual Property is available for relinquishment by the University (as set forth above), the inventor or creator of the Intellectual Property may request in writing that the Director grant a release or assignment of rights. The Director in consultation with the Vice Chancellor for Research will promptly respond to this request. The University will retain a royalty-free, non-exclusive license to use any such Inventions or Copyrightable Works for academic research and teaching.

4. Appeals - If a Covered Individual disagrees with a decision of the Director and the Vice Chancellor for Research under Section III. C.2., such individual m ay ask for reconsideration by the appropriate Evalua tion Committee. The Committee shall review the matter and make its recommendation to the Director and the Vice Chancellor for Research who shall reconsider the m atter. That decision may be appealed to the President, who shall review the written records and make a decision which shall be final.

D. Administrative Procedures - Tangible Research Materials

While potential commercial value should not inhibit the free exchange of University -owned Tangible Research Materials for research purposes, the University nonetheless recognizes that such Materials may have significant commercial value. In addition, Tangible Research

Materials received by Covered Individuals m ay be subject to contractual restrictions that severely lim it the use and transfer of such Materials, to the detrim ent of University researchers. The University has therefore established the following procedures to allow the free exchange of Tangible Research Material s, while at the sam e time respecting the ownership rights of the University, protecting the rights of its researchers, and lim iting the liability of the University and its researchers.

1. Transfer to Outside R esearcher for Basic Research - If a Covered Individual desires to transfer Materials to an Outside Researcher for use in internal basic research, and not for the development or sale of com mercial products, the Covered Individual must use the appropriate University form of Materials Transfer Agreem ent ("MTA"), which will be provided by the CVIP together with instructions for the use of each form. The various forms of MTA will establish rights and responsibilities regarding the Materials among the University and the Outside Researcher and his or her em ployer and will minimize future confusion and controversy regarding the use and transfer of the Materials and ownership of Inventions or Materials based on the supplied Materials. Faculty members (but not other Covered Individuals) are authorized to sign MTAs on behalf of the University provided that (i) the University-form MTA is not altered or revised in any manner and (ii) a signed original of the MTA is sent to th e CVIP when the Materials are sent to the Outside Researcher. Alternatively, CVIP representatives are authorized to approve and sign MTAs, even with revisions.

If Materials are developed by a Covered Individual in the course of sponsored research, or are otherwise subject to contractual restrictions (e.g., a materials transfer agreement or confidential disclosure agreement), the transfer of such Materials to an Outside Researcher will be governed by the terms of the relevant agreement, if such terms differ from this Policy.

These procedures also apply to students who leave the University and desire to bring with them Materials that they developed or disc overed in the course of their work at the University.

- 2. <u>Transfer for Com mercial Use</u> Materials m ay not be transferred to any Outside Researcher for any use other than internal basic research unless the Outside Researcher has obtained a license from the University through the CVIP under the procedures set forth in this Policy. Materials with commercial uses should be disclosed to the CVIP or Vice Chancellor for Research in the same manner as Inventions
- 3. Receiving Materials from Outside Researchers If a Covered Individual receives Materials from an Outside Researcher at another organization (non-profit or commercial). the other organization or researcher m ay impose serious use and transfer restrictions on the Materials and may claim an ownership interest in Inventions, Copy rightable Works, or Materials that arise in the course of research performed with such Materials. For this reason, only CVIP representatives are authorized to approve and sign agreements governing receipt of Materials from other organizations. Covered Individuals are encouraged to consult with the CVIP regarding the restrictions applicable to a particular Material from an Outside Researcher before planning to use that Material in their research. Covered Individuals should be aware that, in some instances, these restrictions may be so onerous that the CVIP will ordinarily not approve the agreem ent. The CVIP

will m ake available a University -form MTA for receipt of Materials, although the organization supplying the Materials will usually require use of its own MTA.

If Materials are received by a Covered Individual in the course of sponsored research, the transfer of such Materials will be governed by the term s of the applicable sponsored research agreement, if such terms differ from this Policy.

If any MTA restrictions would apply to research perform ed by students, the affected students must agree to such restrictions in writing.

E. Administrative Procedures - Confidential Treatment of Information

While the academ ic tradition of free dissem ination of knowledge for the public benefit is recognized by the University to be of param ount im portance, it m ay be necessary or desirable, under som e circum stances, to restrict disclosure of Confidential Inform ation received from a sponsor com pany or to delay Public Disclosure of an Invention. The University has developed the following proce dures to balance these competing interests. The University will ordinarily not agree to maintain University-generated research results as trade secrets.

1. <u>Guidelines Regarding Public Disclosure of Inventions</u> - Internal disclosure of an Invention to the CVIP or Vice Chancellor fo r Research will not interfere with the ability to patent the Invention. However, Public Di sclosure of an Invention prior to filing for a patent application (even <u>one day</u> before) will preclude the availability of patent protection in most countries. This rule applies to any non-confidential written or oral disclosure that describes the Invention (e.g., at a scientific m eeting, in a journal, or even in an inform al discussion with colleagues).

Accordingly, the University strongly encourages Covered Individuals to disclose Inventions to the CVIP as soon as possible, and to delay Public Disclosure of the Invention until the evaluation process is completed and a patent application is filed. The CVIP and Vice Chancellor for Research will attempt to minimize delays in publication, but a delay of up to ninety days is often necessary for evaluation. The CVIP and Vice Chancellor for Research will make every effort to expedite the evaluation process when a Covered Individual indicates that there is a compelling need for rapid publication.

During this interim period, an Invention may be safely disclosed outside of the University under the protection of a Confidential Disclosure Agreem ent ("CDA"), because disclosures made under an appropriate CDA are not considered Public Disclosures. The University therefore recommends that all C overed Individuals use the University -form CDA whenever they disclose information relating to an Invention while the Invention is under evaluation by the University, and the University strongly recommends use of the University-form CDA and consultation with the CVIP if a Covered Individual wishes to disclose an Invention to an Outside Research er associated with a company or other forprofit organization, or directly to such an organization. The CVIP will make available appropriate forms of CDA. Faculty members have authority to sign the University -form CDA on behalf of the University when they will disclose information (but will not receive information), provided they send a fully signed original of the CDA to the CVIP as soon as possible. Alternatively, CVIP re presentatives are authorized to approve and sign CDAs on behalf of the University.

Covered Individuals should be aware that Public Disclosure of an Invention prior to completion of the evaluation process and filing of a patent application will adversely affect the commercial value of the Invention and therefore may decrease the likelihood that the University will proceed with commercialization of that Invention.

In the case of an Invention or Copy rightable Work that arises in the course of sponsored research or a grant, or which is subject to a m aterials transfer agreem ent (MTA), confidential disclosure agreem ent, or other contractual restriction affecting Public Disclosure, any restrictions on Public Disclosure will be governed by the terms of the grant or agreem ent with the other party , as approved by the University . If such restrictions would prevent or delay the publication of a student thesis or dissertation, then he or she must agree to such restrictions in writing.

2. Receiving Confidential Information from Outside Researchers - If a Covered Individual receives Confidential Information from an Outside Researcher or organization (non-profit or commercial) in relation to research perform ed by the Covered Individual at the University, the other organization or researcher m ay impose serious non-disclosure and non-use obligations on the Confidential Information and may claim an ownership interest in Inventions, Copy rightable Works, or Materials that arise in the course of research performed with such Confidential Information. For this reason, only CVIP representatives are authorized to approve and sign CDAs from other researchers or organizations on behalf of the University. The CVIP will make available a University form CDA for receipt of Confidential Information, although the organization disclosing the Confidential Information will usually require use of its own form of CDA.

When Confidential Inform ation is receive d by a Covered Individual in the course of sponsored research, the treatm ent of such Confidential Inform ation will be governed by the terms of the applicable sponsored research agreement, if such terms differ from this Policy.

If any CDA restrictions would apply to research perform ed by students, the affected students must agree to such restrictions in writing.

F. Administrative Procedures - Sponsored Research with Commercial Organizations

The Vice Chancellor for Research in consultation with the CVIP shall have responsibility for negotiating, executing, and adm inistering funded research agreem ents between the University and com mercial organizations, in accordance with the University policies on sponsored research. The Vice Chancellor for R esearch may delegate all or some of these responsibilities to the CVIP. CVIP approval is required for any terms of such agreem ents that affect rights to Intellectual Property (e.g., option rights, license rights, or assignment of ownership). If any restrictions in a funded research agreement (such as publication delay s) would apply to research perform ed by students, the affected students m ust agree to such restrictions in writing.

G. Commercialization of University-Owned Intellectual Property

The CVIP in consultation with the Vice Chancellor for Research shall have responsibility for commercial development and administration of a ll University-owned Intellectual Property. This commercial development will ordinarily occur through licensing of Inventions, Copyrightable Works, or Materials to a company. If the CVIP is successful in its

commercialization efforts, the inventor or creator will share in the econom ic rewards, as will the department and campus.

- 1. <u>Distribution of Non-Equity Revenue Derived from Commercialization</u> Royalty income and other non-equity revenue derived from the licensing of University-owned Intellectual Property will be distributed at the end of each accounting period as follows:
 - a. The University will be reim bursed for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in obtaining and maintaining patent or copy right protection for a specific item of Intellectual Property, and in evaluating and marketing such Intellectual Property.
 - b. The remaining non-equity revenue will be distributed as follows:
 - •Fifteen percent (15%) to the CVIP to fund patents, CVIP operations, and research grants; provided that such amount shall be capped in each fiscal y ear at an amount equal to the highest am ount budgeted for CVIP operations from the campus over the prior three fiscal years, whether through assessment or through revenue derived from licensing or both; provided further, that amounts in excess of this cap shall be utilized at the direction of the Chancellor, with the approval of the President, for endowm ent in the department or program of the inventor(s) or creator(s). Amounts distributed to CVIP and/or such endowm ent shall be divided ratably based upon all non-equity revenue received in any given fiscal year.
 - •Thirty percent (30%) to the inventor(s) or creator(s), except to the extent the revenue from Intellectual Property is de rived from University of Massachusetts Biologics Laboratory projects. In the case of multiple inventors or creators, their shares will be distributed as they unanimously agree at the time of the invention disclosure. If the inventors or creators cannot agree on the distribution between (among) them, their shares will be distributed in equal portions.
 - •Fifty-five percent (55%) to the campus of the inventor or creator; provided, that: Fifteen percent (15%) of the first seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000) in non-equity revenue received by the campus in any fiscal year from any invention or creation shall be distributed to the department or program of the inventor(s) or creator(s); and
 - •Ten percent (10%) of am ounts between seven hundred thousand one dollars (\$700,001) and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) in non-equity revenue received by the cam pus in any fiscal y ear from any invention or creation shall be distributed to the department or program of the inventor(s) or creator(s); and
 - •Five percent (5%) of am ounts in excess of one m illion dollars (\$1,000,000) in non-equity revenue received in any fiscal year by the campus from any invention or creation shall be distributed to the department or program of the inventor(s) or creator(s).
 - •If multiple departments or program s are involved, their shares will be distributed in the sam e manner as the distributions to the inventors or creators within such departments or programs.

Notwithstanding the distribution describ ed above, the Chancellor, with the approval of the President, may pledge all non-equity revenues other than the portion allocated to the inventor(s) or creator(s) to meet the debt service obligations of the campus.

- c. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this policy, unless the Chancellor with the approval of the President specifically determines otherwise or as required by law, employees of the University of Massachusetts Biologics Laboratory, and other em ployees of the University working on projects funded by and in collaboration with said Biologics Laboratory, shall not receive an inventor(s)/creator(s) share distribution of non-equity licensing revenue; provided further, that all such revenue that would have gone to said inventor(s) or creator(s) shall go instead to said Biologics Laboratory.
- 2. <u>Acceptance of Equity</u> The University may accept an equity interest in a company; provided that before the CVIP agrees to accept equity, it must receive the approval of the Vice Chancellor for Research, the Vice Preside nt for Economic Development, and the University Treasurer. The equity received by the University in connection with the commercialization of Intellectual Property will be held until liquidation, unless otherwise distributed pursuant to Section III.G.2.d or III. G.2.e below, with the proceeds distributed as follows:
 - a. First, to the extent the University is not fully reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses from the non-equity revenue, the University will be reimbursed for any remaining out of-pocket expenses incurred in obtaining and maintaining patent, copyright, or other intellectual property protection for a specific item of Intellectual Property, and in evaluating and marketing such Intellectual Property.
 - b. The remaining proceeds from equity liquidation will be distributed as follows:
 - Thirty percent (30%) to the invent or(s) or creator(s) except to the extent the equity is consideration for the licensing of Intellectual Property that is derived from University of Massachusetts Biologics Laboratory projects. In the case of multiple inventors or creators, their shares will be distributed as they unanimously agree at the time of the invention disclosure. If the inventors or creators cannot agree on the distribution between (among) them, their shares will be distributed in equal portions.
 - Fifteen percent (15%) for endowment in the department or program of the inventor(s) or creator(s).
 - •Fifty-five percent (55%) to the cam pus for endowm ent or development of research or scholarship, as determ ined by the Chancellor.

If the inventor(s)/creator(s) share has been creator(s) pursuant to Section III.G.2.d, a ll of the rem aining proceeds from equity

liquidation will be distributed between the de partment or program and the campus in the relative proportions of this Section.

- c. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this policy , unless the Chancellor with the approval of the President specifically determines otherwise or as required by law, em ployees of the University of Massachusetts Biologics Laboratory , and other employees of the University working on projects funded by and in collaboration with said Biologics Laboratory, shall not receive an inventor(s)/creator(s) share distribution of equity licensing revenue; provided further, that all such revenue that would have gone to said inventors shall go instead to said Biologics Laboratory.
- d. When the University accepts equ ity in a com pany as consideration for a technology licensing transaction, the University , taking into account any legal restrictions and the wishes of each inventor or creator involved, shall:
 - Arrange for the inventor(s)/creator(s) to receive his or her share of equity directly from the com pany upon execution of the relevant agreem ent rather than upon liquidation pursuant to paragraph III.G.2.b. above or
 - Take all equity, including the inventor(s)/creator(s) share, in the name of the University, in which case the Treasurer will make decisions regarding equity disposition based upon sound business judgment and information available to investors and will coordinate with the appropriate University officials if necessary; the inventor(s)/creator(s)' sole right being receipt of the inventor(s)/creator(s) share of such equity or its cash equivalent at such time and in such form as the Treasurer shall deem appropriate.

 At the determination of the Treasurer, equity may also be held on behalf of the University by the University of Massachusetts Foundation, Inc., or another outside investment advisor to minimize potential institutional conflicts of interest; provided that the interests of the inventor(s)/creator(s) provided for in this section remain in full force and effect.
- e. In each transaction in which the University determines to hold rather than liquidate the equity it has accepted, it will

ordinarily, within one year afte r the University's receipt of such equity in a publicly traded company, or within one year after the tim e when such equity in a company in which the University has accepted equity becomes eligible to be publicly traded, distribute the inventor(s)/creator(s) share of the equity or its cash proceeds as determined by the University consistent with the formula provided for in this policy.

H. Enforcement

The Director, the Vice Chancellor for Research, or the President may refer any matter to the appropriate University official for disciplinary or other appropriate action.

I. Appeals; Interpretation of Policy; Exceptions

The Director shall adm inister this Policy in regular consultation with the Vice Chancellors for Research and the President. The President, upon recommendation of the Vice President for Economic Development and in consultation with the General Counsel, may grant exceptions to the Policy in appropriate cases. The President shall have authority to overrule any decision of a Vice Chancellor or the Director.

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS

Participation Agreement

In consideration of the benefits that I receive as a result of my access to University-administered funds and University-funded time, facilities, and equipment, I agree as follows:

- Acknowledgment. I acknowledge that I have read and understood the Intellectual Property Policy (the "Policy") of the University of Massachusetts (the "University"), a copy of which is attached to this Agreement, and I agree to abide by the terms of such Policy, as amended. I understand that capitalized terms used in this Agreement are defined terms that, if not defined in this Agreement, are defined in the Policy.
- 2. <u>Disclosure</u>. In accordance with Section III.C.1. of the Policy, I agree to make the following disclosures to the University Office of Technology Management ("OTM") or the Director of Research ("DIR of OOR"):
 - (1) I am encouraged to disclose any Inventions, Copyrightable Works (except Exempted Scholarly Works), and commercially valuable Tangible Research Materials that (i) I develop with significant use of University resources or (ii) are the same as, directly related to, or substantially similar to a research project in which I am engaged at the University; however, if I intend to commercialize such Intellectual Property, disclosure is required reasonably before I take any action to commercialize such Intellectual Property. Examples of commercial actions include, without limitation, seeking patent or copyright protection, commencing discussions with potential investors or licensees, or transferring the Intellectual Property to a third party.
 - (2) I am required to disclose any Inventions, Copyrightable Works (including the Exempted Scholarly Works), and Tangible Research Materials that the University has specifically hired or commissioned me to develop, except as otherwise provided in a written agreement between me and the University; and
 - (3) I am required to disclose any Inventions, Copyrightable Works (including Exempted Scholarly Works), and Tangible Research Materials that I develop in the course of research funded by a sponsor pursuant to a grant or research agreement that requires such disclosure, or which is subject to a materials transfer agreement, confidential disclosure agreement, or other legal obligation requiring such disclosure.

I agree to make such disclosures promptly and in reasonable detail on the appropriate University Disclosure Form. In the case of Inventions that I intend to commercialize, I understand that I should make such disclosure reasonably prior to public disclosure of the Invention in order to provide the University with an opportunity to file a patent application.

3. <u>Assignment of Rights</u>. I hereby assign, transfer and convey to the University all of my right, title, and interest in any Inventions, Copyrightable Works, and Tangible Research Materials for which the University asserts ownership under Section III.B. of the Policy. I understand that the University does not assert ownership of Exempted Scholarly Works unless such works are specifically commissioned by the University or are subject to a contractual obligation that requires assignment. I further understand the University will ordinarily waive

its rights in other Copyrightable Works that the University determines are Scholarly Works. At the request of the University, I agree to execute and deliver promptly a specific assignment to the University of my right, title, and interest to such Intellectual Property, including without limitation any proprietary rights arising from patent applications or copyright registration in the United States and foreign countries. I further agree to supply the University with all information and to execute all documents necessary to obtain and maintain patents, copyrights, or other forms of legal protection for such Intellectual Property. I hereby appoint the University as my attorney to execute and deliver such documents on my behalf in the event that I should fail or refuse to fulfill my obligations under this Section within a reasonable period of time.

- 4. Income-Sharing; Relinquishment. I understand that, in accordance with Section III.G.1. of the Policy, I will receive a portion of all royalty income and other non-equity revenue derived from the licensing of Intellectual Property that I assign to the University. I further understand that, in accordance with Section III.C.3. of the Policy, if the University decides not to commercialize such Intellectual Property, I will have an opportunity to regain title so that I may pursue commercialization of the Intellectual Property.
- 5. <u>Administrative Procedures</u>. I understand and agree to abide by the administrative procedures for the transfer of Tangible Research Materials and Confidential Information, as set forth in the Policy.
- 6. Certification by Principal Investigators. I agree to ensure that each person who is subject to the Policy who participates in research at the University under my supervision as Principal Investigator (excluding clerical and non-technical workers) has signed and delivered a copy of this Agreement in accordance with the Policy. I further agree to ensure that all students under my supervision as Principal Investigator have agreed in writing to any contractual restrictions (such as publication restrictions) that are applicable to their research.

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