

Office of Sponsored Programs

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New York, NY 10012

Synopsis: Agreement to Disclose¹

Execution of this Agreement to Disclose has been mandated by the federal government under the regulations (OMB Circular A-124) governing the implementation of Public Law #96-517, "The Patent and Trademark Amendments of 1980." New York University must require all persons, other than clerical and nontechnical employees, who perform any part of the work under any contract, grant or cooperative agreement between the University and any federal agency to sign this invention agreement. Directors of projects funded by federal agencies are required to secure signatures to the agreement at the time of appointment from all applicable persons, including themselves, working on the projects and to file the agreements with the Office of Sponsored Programs, 665 Broadway Suite 801.

Name _____

School/Department _____

Invention Agreement²
for New York University Academic Staff and Students
Engaged in Sponsored Research

I have been informed that New York University ("the University") enters into various agreements for research by reason of which the University may incur obligations to third parties with respect to any inventions relating to the work thereunder. I am also aware that the University may itself acquire rights with respect to inventions involving the use of funds or facilities administered by it.

In order that the University may fully carry out its obligations and in consideration of either (a) my present or subsequent employment by the University, or (b) the availability to me of opportunities to perform sponsored research or to use funds or facilities administered by the University, I hereby agree that I shall promptly communicate to the Office of Sponsored Programs, or such other person as may be designated by the Chancellor of the University, (1) all discoveries or inventions made by me in the field of work of any sponsored program in which I participate, which I may conceive during the term of my work on the program or which may be first actually reduced to practice in connection with the program, and (2) all discoveries or inventions made by me, the conception or actual reduction to practice of which involves the use of funds or facilities administered or maintained by the University, whether provided by the federal government or by the University.

I further agree to do whatever is necessary to apply for and take out patents on any such discoveries or inventions, and to assign all rights to discoveries or inventions and any and all patents and patent applications thereon, to New York University (or its designate) as and when requested in order that the University may fulfill the obligations referred to above or the provisions of the University's patent policy. It is understood that the cost and expense of prosecuting patent applications and preparing assignments thereof shall be paid by others than myself.

Signature _____

Date _____

Witness _____

¹ . This is required only for applications for federal funding and relates to the disclosure of inventions which may arise under such funding.

² . Inventions previously conceived (even though a patent application has been filed or a patent has been issued) are subject to this agreement if they are first actually reduced to practice under the circumstances state in (1) or (2) above.