

MIT TLO: Your Resource in Innovation

From Lab to Market—We've Got You Covered



Why Disclose?

- **Protect** innovations
- **Move** research to market
- **Earn** royalties when licensed
- **Comply** with sponsor requirements



When to Disclose

Early and often—**BEFORE** public sharing. Publications, conferences, and code repositories can limit or eliminate your patent rights. **Talk to us first.**



What to Include

Submit via the **Research@MIT App** with the following information:

Description	Plain language is fine
Contributors	All who helped create it
Funding	Grants and sponsors
Key Dates	Invention, testing, sharing
Prior Sharing	Any public disclosures

Your IPIA Matters

The **Invention and Proprietary Information Agreement** is required for all MIT researchers—it allows MIT to protect, develop, and license intellectual property, in compliance with federal law and sponsor agreements.

The TLO Lifecycle



How We Work Together

We start with your discovery → build a protection strategy together → connect with industry and startups → and ensure you share in every outcome.

TLO is your guide through MIT's full innovation ecosystem—from navigating entrepreneurial programs like Sandbox and Deshpande to startup formation and industry partnerships, we help you find the path that fits your research vision.

Royalty Sharing

Net revenue is shared among **inventors**, **DLCIs**, and **MIT's General Fund**—supporting further research, education and opportunities at MIT.



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