The University of Chicago
Patent Agreement and Assignment

Under the University of Chicago Patent Policy (Statute 18),

Where research or other activities carried out at the University, or with substantial aid of its facilities or funds administered by it result in inventions, discoveries, or device-like software, such intellectual property shall be disclosed to the University, and shall be the property of the University from inception.

The Patent Policy also provides that the University requires faculty and others covered by the Policy to execute assignments of inventions to the University to effectuate the University’s rights.

Agreement

As a condition of my employment or other involvement in research or other activities at the University of Chicago, or research or other activities carried out with substantial aid of University facilities or funds administered by it (collectively, “University research”), I hereby acknowledge my acceptance of the University of Chicago Patent Policy, and I agree to assign and do hereby assign to the University of Chicago all of my ownership, right, title and interest in any discovery or invention that is the product of University research, including without limitation any patent and other intellectual property rights therein, whether I acquired those rights before signing this Agreement or acquire them in the future. I further agree to fulfill my obligations of disclosure and cooperation in the patenting and commercial development of any such discovery or invention that is the product of University research. Such cooperation includes execution of formal papers such as, for example, subsequent assignments. I agree that my obligations under this Agreement will extend to any periods of my employment or formal association with, or involvement in research or other activities at, the University, notwithstanding any gaps in such employment or formal association, without need for me to sign a new copy of this Agreement.

I will promptly inform the University’s Office of Technology and Intellectual Property if I become aware of any consulting contracts or other contractual obligations to which I am a party or into which I intend to enter with any third party, organization, or corporation that contain provisions regarding rights in discoveries or inventions that are in conflict with this Agreement or the University’s Patent Policy, and will not knowingly enter into such agreements in the future without obtaining the written consent from an authorized University official.

I hereby waive any objection to the University’s use of an electronic version of this Agreement (including my electronic signature hereon) as a substitute for the original for any legally recognized purpose.

Name: ______________________________

Signature: __________________________

Department: _________________________

Date: _______________________________