2019 Central Region Meeting

July 28-31, 2019
Renaissance Columbus Downtown Hotel
Columbus, Ohio

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Get ready to connect with colleagues, exchange ideas, ask questions, get answers and gain valuable contacts. AUTM’s 2019 Central Region Meeting offers diverse programs for technology transfer newcomers and veterans alike.

About AUTM
AUTM is the nonprofit leader in efforts to educate, promote and inspire professionals, throughout their careers, to support the development of academic research that changes the world. AUTM’s community is comprised of more than 3,000 members who work in more than 800 universities, research centers, hospitals, businesses, and government organizations around the globe.

The Central Region Meeting will provide 10 hours of continuing education (CE) credits for those who attend the entire meeting.

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The Central Region Meeting offers several sessions that may qualify for CLE accreditation. As mandated, AUTM has applied for 3 general hours accreditation in the state of Ohio. The application status is currently pending. All attorneys who attend CLE eligible sessions during the Central Region Meeting are encouraged to apply for CLE credits in the states where they are licensed.

Sessions A2 and C2 are denoted as CLE eligible.
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*Modifications to the program will be reflected on the website. Please check for the latest updates.

Sunday, July 28

4 – 5 pm       Registration
Location:       Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer

5 – 6 pm       Early Bird Reception
Location:       Cityview Terrace

Monday, July 29

7:30 am – 5 pm  Registration
Location:       Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer

7:30 – 8:30 am  Breakfast
Location:       Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom D&E

8:30 – 10 am   Plenary I: 3rd Frontier
Location:       Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B&C
Speakers:       Wayne Embree, Rev1 Ventures, Inc.
                Cheryl Turnbull, The Ohio State University

10 – 10:30 am  Networking Break
Location:       Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer

10:30 am – Noon Workshops
A1              International Filings – Where Best to File and Tips to Save Yourself at Deadline (Esp. If You Accidentally Missed it!)
Speakers:       Catharina Casper, Lorenz Seidler Gossel
                John Cucumelli, The Ohio State University
                Eagle Robinson, Norton Rose Fulbright
                Evangelos “Van” Vekris, Marks & Clerk Canada
Location:       Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B

Cheryl Turnbull, Senior Director of New Venture and Venture Capital within the Technology Commercialization Office at The Ohio State University, will lead a discussion on the Impact of Ohio Third Frontier Programs on the Ohio Entrepreneurship Ecosystem. The Ohio Third Frontier programs are technology-based economic development initiatives supported by the state with a goal to transform the economy of Ohio through accelerated growth of diverse start up and early stage technology companies.

Lunch with the Industry Experts

Join us for a luncheon session on Tuesday, July 30, from 12:15 to 1:30 pm. Industry leaders will host informal table discussions on specific topics related to academic-industry relations. Sign up at the registration desk when you arrive. Preferred seating is limited.

Congratulations to all the RTTP-certified speakers and moderators presenting at this week’s Central Region Meeting. Want to showcase your expertise? Visit www.attp.info and become a Registered Technology Transfer Professional candidate.
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Monday, July 29 (continued)

A2  The Blockchain Impact on Tech Transfer: An Introduction and Why It Matters *CLE Eligible
Moderator: Jean Baker, Quarles & Brady LLP
Speakers: Isabella Ortiz, Northwestern University
Nathan Rees, Norton Rose Fulbright
Svetlana Vranic-Sowers, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom C
We’re all hearing about the impact that Blockchain and distributed ledger storage will have on a myriad university technologies. This session will bring you up-to-speed with a straightforward description of the technology and the changing US legal landscape. We’ll cover the many aspects of the growing Blockchain platform — from cryptocurrency through fundamental changes in contracts, licenses, and life science implications.

B2  In the Weeds: Navigating Cannabis-based Research Opportunities and IP Protection in the Federal Prohibition World
Moderators: Jeffrey Myers, Michigan State University
Jude Wilkinson, Indiana University
Speakers: Dale Hunt, Plant & Plant Law Firm
Heidi Nebel, McKee, Voorhees & Sease, PLC
Melanie Sharman Rowand, Torys LLP
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom C
Inquiring minds want to know the impact of the passage of the Agricultural Improvement Act of 2018 or Farm Bill, legalizing production of hemp, and cannabis in several US states and other countries. Are you curious whether the cultivation and biopharma sectors can be a realistic, major source of novel and non-obvious research and innovation? If you are, then the next question to answer is: how does your university participate given a risk-averse, research environment? In this session we’ll offer some insight on navigating your way through the “weeds.”

Noon – 1:30 pm  Lunch
Sponsored by Elanco
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom D&E

1:30 – 3 pm  Workshops

B1  How to Stay Out of the New York Times (And What to Do Once You’re There)
Moderator: James Scott Elmer, St Jude Children’s Research Hospital
Speakers: Kathleen Dunn, Nationwide Children’s Hospital
Scott Long, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital
Matthew McFarland, Nationwide Children’s Hospital
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B
Last year, the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and its leadership were the focus of a series of front page articles in the New York Times. The articles highlighted institutional and individual conflict of interest issues related to the creation of a start-up company, institutional representation on company boards and the nondisclosure of financial relationships with for-profit companies. The fallout was serious. In this session, we’ll discuss the issues raised by these articles and how to address them with compliance experts from St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital and Nationwide Children’s Hospital.

3 – 3:30 pm  Networking Break
Sponsored by
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer

3:30 – 5 pm  Plenary II: Newest News Now!
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MC: Charles Valauskas, Valauskas Corder, LLC
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B&C
This session is all about current tech transfer topics, delivered in a quick-hit style. Presentations will cover five areas selected from the universe of current domestic and international business, legal, and technical topics. Presenters will respond to attendees’ questions and comments during a Q&A. We anticipate that the conversations started here will continue to flow into the Opening Reception that follows.

5:30 – 7 pm  Opening Reception
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Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer
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Tuesday, July 30

7:30 am – 5 pm  Registration
Location:  Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer

7:30 – 8:30 am  Breakfast
Location:  Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom D&E

8:30 – 10 am  Workshops
C1  Big Picture Marketing – Tools and Strategies to Promote Commercialization
Moderator:  Tamara Wilgers, University of Missouri-St. Louis
Speakers:  James De Long, Innovation Interchange
          Rick Hoyt, Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals
          Nichole Mercier, Washington University in St. Louis
          Cynthia Sequin, Purdue Research Foundation
Location:  Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B

When you think of technology marketing, the first thing that probably comes to mind is a one-page tech brief and a traditional marketing campaign – identifying companies, finding contacts, sending materials and hoping to get a response. But industry insiders note that this brand of marketing is not always effective and tech briefs are not always consumed in the manner anticipated by university TTOs. So, why do TTOs continue to run these marketing campaigns? In this session, we’ll explore and evaluate exciting new approaches to ultimately bring university technologies and licensees together.

C2  All About Antibodies – How Tech Transfer Offices Can Keep Up with the Changing Rules of Protecting Immunological Inventions
*CLE Eligible
Moderator:  Gwendolyn Humphreys, Northwestern University
Speakers:  Angeline Rose Babel, Quarles & Brady
          Thomas Magliery, The Ohio State University
          Victoria Sutton, Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation
          Thelma Tennant, University of Chicago
Location:  Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom C

Antibodies are used in various commercial applications ranging from research tools to therapeutics. The diversity and biological complexity of these assets requires a unique approach. Depending on the commercial path, securing intellectual property rights to the antibody composition and uses may be required. There may also be specific considerations for licensing of antibodies. In this panel, speakers will present an overview on antibody biology and explain why companies have leveraged the unique properties of antibodies for therapeutic use. We will focus on recent changes to case law and how this has impacted claiming antibodies in a patent application. A practical discussion on how tech transfer offices are developing strategies to manage antibody inventions will round-out the session.

10 – 10:30 am  Networking Break
Sponsored by
Location:  Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer

10:30 – 10:45 am  AUTM Welcome Address
Speaker:  Marc Sedam, UNHInnovation
Location:  Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B

Marc Sedam, AUTM’s Chair-Elect, welcomes you to Columbus and shares his vision for AUTM – from advocacy initiatives to increased partnering opportunities and strategic planning.
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Tuesday, July 30 (continued)

10:45 am – 12:15 pm Workshops

D1  Applying Storytelling to Your Daily Routine
Guide: Linda Kawano, GroupOptima
Storyteller: Anne Di Sante, Michigan State University
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B
Join us for a facilitated, hands-on session where you’ll learn to create a business story. We will focus on the segments of technology transfer that benefit from making a connection with a business partner or audience, such as pitching an invention, moving negotiations forward, selling a business opportunity, compelling investment in a startup, and establishing a relationship with an inventor. We’ll share a simple template for constructing your story and, time permitting, share what we’ve learned as a group.

D2  What Companies are Looking for in University Tech Transfer and Research Engagements
Moderator: Jeffrey Myers, Michigan State University
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom C
Learn what industry representatives, from a broad cross section of fields, are seeking from university licensing and collaborative research partnerships. Companies will pitch their wants and needs to attendees at a rapid-fire pace. Participants will gain insights on connecting with the right industry colleagues for licensing and collaborative research opportunities.

12:15 – 1:30 pm Lunch with the Industry Experts
Participants: Ibraheem Badejo, Johnson & Johnson Innovation Center
Lucas Huntimer, Eli Lilly and Company
Jenny Sabo, The J.M. Smucker Company
Sharon Semones, Eli Lilly and Company
Michael Stevens, Columbus/Smart City
Bruce Tailon, Eli Lilly and Company
Matt Takvorian, Absolute Antibody/Kerafast
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom D&E
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1:30 – 3 pm Workshops

E1  University IP Policies: Do They Work as Universities Hope They Work?
Moderator: Charles Valauskas, Valauskas Corder, LLC
Speakers: Cheryl Horst, NUtech Ventures
Joseph Jankowski, Case Western Reserve University
Vaughn Schmid, University of Minnesota
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B
In this session, you’ll get an overview of University IP Policy topics, including software ownership, know-how, tangible research properties, as well as how to handle the developments of visiting researchers. We’ll cover whether a policy is legally effective, and offer an interactive session on how to change an IP policy.

E2  University Industry Relations 101
Moderator: Eagle Robinson, Norton Rose Fulbright
Speakers: Ibraheem Badejo, Johnson & Johnson Innovation Center
Lucas Huntimer, Eli Lilly and Company
Sharon Semones, Eli Lilly and Company
Matt Takvorian, Absolute Antibody/Kerafast
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom C
It’s middle school dance time and we want to talk about how we can help get everybody off of the walls and into the middle of the floor. Hear directly from an industry panel some effective ways to open discussions, get the ball rolling, and develop contacts that benefit both our technologies and your current and future commercial partners.

3 – 3:30 pm Networking Break
Location: Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer
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**Tuesday, July 30 (continued)**

**3:30 – 5 pm**  
**Plenary III:** AUTM Central Region Trivia Contest  
**Sponsored by:** Valauskas Corder, LLC  
**Moderator:** Charles Valauskas, Valauskas Corder, LLC  
**Location:** Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B&C  
If you think you have what it takes, or just want to meet some new people, join us for what promises to be a fun hour or two. Who knows, you may even learn something. Charles Valauskas and his merry band of graders return with a few more tricks to keep the crowd entertained at the perennial favorite returning for its 14th year!

**6:30 – 9 pm**  
**Offsite Reception**  
**Location:**  
16-Bit Bar + Arcade  
254 S. 4th Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Enjoy a night of fun playing vintage arcade games and pinball with a backdrop of 80's movie classics.

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**Wednesday, July 31**

**7:30 – 10 am**  
**Registration**  
**Location:** Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer

**7:30 – 8:30 am**  
**Breakfast**  
**Location:** Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom D&E

**8:30 – 10 am**  
**Workshops**  
**F1** Finding Mr. or Ms. Right: The True Story of a TTO’s Efforts to Find a Commercial Partner  
**Moderator:** David McClure, Texas Tech University  
**Speakers:** Mahalaxmi Krishnamurthy, University of Tennessee Research Foundation  
DJ Nag, Ventech Solutions  
Heidjer Staecker, TreMonti Consulting, LLC

**Location:** Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B

The University of Tennessee Medical Center experienced an increased rate of blood stream infections in patients with histories of IV drug abuse caused by patient-tampered catheter lines. A University of Tennessee faculty member used a 3D printer to create an inexpensive tamper-evident lock box that solved the problem. The issue: what is the most efficient and effective way to get this new product to market? We’ll explore the different ways that technology transfer offices market their inventions and network to find the right partner to commercialize innovative ideas in a niche market.
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F2  Releasing University IP to the Inventors
Moderator:  Jeffrey Peterson, Michael Best & Friedrich LLP
Speakers:  Ashok Choudhury, Vanderbilt University
Brian Cummings, Alta Global Ventures
Gregory Stein, Tulane University
Location:  Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom C

When an institution decides not to file or continue prosecution of a faculty invention, the inventor may disagree and seek the right to pursue an invention solo. In such cases, having a clear process for releasing intellectual property (IP) rights is important to meet the needs of the institution, inventor and any future assignees of the inventor. In this session, we’ll discuss the considerations made prior to the release of IP, related Bayh-Dole issues, the timing and scope of a release, avoiding negative consequences, and financial interests in a released invention.

10 – 10:30 am  Networking Break
Location:  Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom Foyer

10:30 am – Noon  The Howard Bremer Memorial Plenary: The Changing Face of Technology Transfer
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Moderator:  Jennifer Gottwald, Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation
Speakers:  Dorothy Air, Partnerships Playbook Consulting
Wayne Embree, Rev1 Ventures, Inc.
Arjun Sanga, WiSys
Marc Sedam, UNHInnovation
Location:  Woody Hayes Grand Ballroom B&C

Exactly how has our profession changed? Let us count the ways. The alignment of goals, expectations and outcomes between TTOs and university leadership is ever-evolving. Relationships with other entrepreneurial entities, both on campus and in the community, have grown, and not always in collaborative ways. The basics of how we do our jobs of patenting, licensing and starting companies is not the same now as when Bayh-Dole went into effect in 1980. And can you say economic development? Identifying how our profession has morphed is one thing, understanding how to operate efficiently within the changes is another. In this session, we’ll get expert perspectives on the shifting landscape – where we are and where we’re headed.

Noon  Meeting Adjourns
AUTM has a policy of strict compliance with federal and state antitrust laws. The antitrust laws prohibit competitors from engaging in actions that could result in an unreasonable restraint of trade. Consequently, AUTM members must avoid discussing certain topics when they are together – both at formal association membership, Board, Cabinet, committee and other meetings and in informal contacts with other industry members. Please review AUTM’s policy, autm.net/antitrust and adhere to the following:

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San Diego, California

**2021**
March 14 – 17
Washington State Convention Center
Seattle, Washington

**2019 Region Meetings**

**Western Region**
September 19 – 20
Motif Seattle
Seattle, Washington

**Eastern Region**
October 3 – 4
Raleigh Marriott City Center
Raleigh, North Carolina

**Professional Development Courses**

**Essentials of Academic Technology Transfer Course**
September 8 – 11
Hyatt Lodge
Oak Brook, Illinois

**TOOLS Course**
September 9 – 11
Hyatt Lodge
Oak Brook, Illinois

**Agreement Course**
October 28 – 30
Hyatt Regency Bethesda
Bethesda, Maryland

**Compliance Course**
October 28 – 30
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Bethesda, Maryland

**IP Portfolio Course**
October 28 – 30
Hyatt Regency Bethesda
Bethesda, Maryland

**Corporate Engagement Intensive Course**
December 9
The Jung Hotel
New Orleans, Louisiana