Driving the Innovation Economy
Academic Technology Transfer in Numbers

From 1996 to 2020, up to...

$1.9 trillion contributed to U.S. gross industrial output

$1 trillion contributed to U.S. gross domestic product

6.5 million jobs supported

495,000+ inventions disclosed...

126,000+ U.S. patents issued...

to research institutions since 1996

17,000+ startups formed

73% of university licenses are to startups and small companies

200+ drugs and vaccines developed through public-private partnerships since Bayh-Dole Act enacted in 1980

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Technology transfer professionals associated with universities and other academic institutions manage the complex process of shepherding ideas from the lab to the marketplace — from evaluating and protecting discoveries to commercializing the inventions through new and existing companies.