



# ADVANCING INNOVATION THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

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# CONNECT

## MONTHLY EMAIL



The OTC newsletter, Commercialization Connect, provides all

the news happening with UK technology commercialization, startups, regional and national programs, events and gives the audience the opportunity to connect with us.

## MONTHLY WEBINARS

OTC hosts monthly webinars to keep our community informed on patenting, licensing, SBIR/STTR, technology commercialization, and much more.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media is a great easy way to stay connected with all things OTC. Make sure to follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter and watch our informational videos on YouTube.

 [linkedin.com/company/uk\\_otc](https://www.linkedin.com/company/uk_otc)

 [twitter.com/uk\\_otc](https://twitter.com/uk_otc)

 [youtube.com/channel/UCahBn3PBPunJtmmmv1KeeA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCahBn3PBPunJtmmmv1KeeA)

## WEEKLY EMAIL NEWSLETTER



The StartupLEX weekly newsletter is managed by OTC's New Ventures team and provides access to all the community news and events in Lexington.

# THE OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY COMMERCIALIZATION (OTC) MISSION IS TO ADVANCE INNOVATION THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

OTC supports the university's strategic plan by committing to:

- help build Kentucky's innovation ecosystem and collaborate with industry partners worldwide
- work cooperatively with innovators to strategically assess, protect, and license early-stage technologies
- to cultivate entrepreneurship and co-create new technology startups

## DEAR UK INNOVATION COMMUNITY,

While none of us expected the curveball that FY 2020 threw at us, UK OTC was not surprised to see the resiliency of the UK innovation community, which maintained a high level of innovation and commercialization activity. In fact, through the pandemic-induced remote-work period beginning in March, we saw an increase in invention disclosures, patent filings, and license deal activity. One thing is for sure: UK OTC is more emboldened than ever by the spirit, the innovative capacity, and the culture of our research enterprise to realize our office's mission: to advance innovation that makes a difference.

For the third year in a row, we saw new heights in innovation and commercialization activity metrics, with 117 invention disclosures (up 11%), 165 patents filed (up 42%), 29 licenses executed and six new startups created. We handled a 10% increase in MTA/NDA/DUA's (to 1,200+ agreements), evidencing growth in UK's collaborative research. We added four new team members (two grant-funded), welcomed a new head of Intellectual Property Development, Matt Upton, to develop optimal IP strategies for our portfolio, and graduated four OTC Fellows into the world with new professional skills.

I am proud of our team as they rose to the occasion during the pandemic. They worked hard to develop a COVID-19 technologies and partnership webpage, streamline processes and adopt new policies to help these technologies efficiently move to the market. We never let up on our commitment to partnership and service either. With renewed commitment from our partners, the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development (KY CED), the University of Louisville (UofL) and Kentucky Science & Technology Corporation (KSTC), we launched Kentucky Commercialization Ventures (KCV) to execute the university commercialization goals of the Commonwealth Commercialization Center (C3), ensuring we support innovation culture at all public institutions across the state. Doubling down on this partnership mission, we continued leading development of the NIGMS-funded XLerator Network alongside our partner, XLerate Health, and we were awarded the NIH REACH (KYNETIC) grant in partnership with UofL and KY CED, and awarded five of the first 7 projects funded by KYNETIC to UK innovators. We continued our work with the UK and Lexington startup community through partnerships with KY CED, Awesome Inc., Base110, Commerce Lexington, and the Bluegrass Angels, completing over 300 startup-related consultations and helping to maintain Lexington's momentum as a vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem. And how could we go another year without building new things of value for our innovators? In FY 2020, we launched a new statewide-accessible startup accelerator (Launch Blue), a new UK Mentors-in-Residence program, a new UK CATalyst Proof of Concept Fund, a first-ever Founders Hunt entrepreneur-matching event with UofL, and a new Startup License Program (SLP) with favorable terms available specifically to first-time UK faculty entrepreneurs.

As always, none of these accomplishments are realized without the fantastic team of UK OTC professionals, and without the tremendous support of President Eli Capilouto, Vice President for Research Lisa Cassis, and Associate Vice President for Research Rodney Andrews.

Sincerely,

**Ian D. McClure**  
Executive Director, OTC



"While many things have looked different for the health and safety of our community, our mission as the University for Kentucky has never wavered. I am inspired by our Office of Technology Commercialization for their innovative commitment to serve the greater community and achieve what's possible during this time."

**Eli Capilouto**  
University of Kentucky President



"Our Office of Technology Commercialization successfully adapted to the challenges of a global pandemic to propel COVID-19 targeted innovation by our talented faculty and staff investigators. OTC remains the driving force for partnerships between the university, industry, entrepreneurs and business leaders, and their work embodies UK's commitment to improve lives in Kentucky and beyond."

**Lisa Cassis, Ph.D.**  
Vice President for Research

# THE OTC TEAM



**IAN MCCLURE**  
Executive Director



**ALLISON SPURRIER**  
Executive Administrative  
Assistant



**LIZ KNAPP**  
Program Manager,  
XLerator Network

## INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT TEAM



**MATT UPTON**  
Senior Associate Director



**SABRINA DARNELL**  
Intellectual Property/  
Compliance Coordinator



**JESSICA DAVIS**  
Data Support Specialist



**CARTER KUNSTEK**  
Student Intellectual Property  
Assistant

## NEW VENTURES & ALLIANCES TEAM



**TAUNYA PHILLIPS**  
Senior Associate Director



**ERIC HARTMAN**  
Associate Director,  
New Ventures



**LAURA RUSSELL-HALLIGAN**  
New Ventures Manager



**EMMANUEL SMITH**  
New Ventures Manager



**JACQUELINE J. GREENE**  
Marketing and  
Communications Manager



**TIANNA LEWIS**  
Student Marketing Assistant

## COMMERCIALIZATION & LICENSING TEAM



**ERIC CASTLEN**  
Associate Director



**NATASHA JONES**  
Commercialization Manager



**RAJA KRISHNAN**  
Commercialization Manager



**ALI BOCOOK YANKEY**  
Senior Contracts Coordinator

## FELLOWS TEAM



**BARRET BLOCK**



**EMMA HOLLAND**



**MADISON KEARSCHNER**



**GABRIELLE KEB**

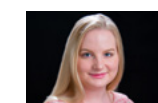


**AMIR NAJARZADEH**



**ALEXANDER WILLIAMS**

## AMBASSADORS TEAM



**JOHANNA MURRAY**



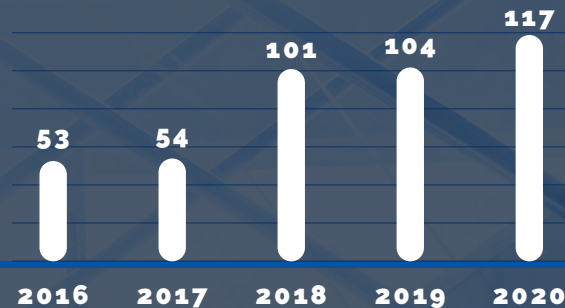
**HOLDEN TURNEY**



**SCOTT VANDERVENTER**

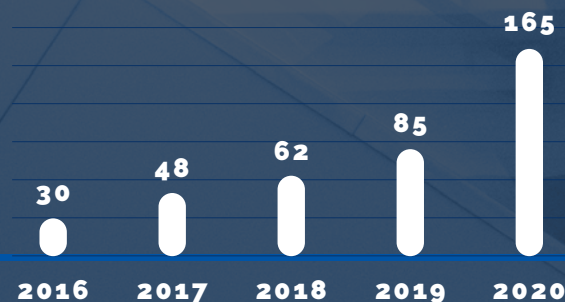
# 2020 FISCAL YEAR IN REVIEW

117  
INVENTION DISCLOSURES  
SUBMITTED



\$5.9 million  
DISTRIBUTED  
TO INVENTORS  
SINCE 2010

165  
PATENT  
APPLICATIONS  
FILED



\$16.8 million  
DISTRIBUTED TO COLLEGES  
AND DEPARTMENTS  
SINCE 2010

38  
PATENTS  
ISSUED

29  
NEW LICENSES  
AND OPTIONS  
EXECUTED

\$2,356,523  
GROSS ROYALTY INCOME IN FY 2020

1,224  
AGREEMENTS  
PROCESSED

Material Transfer Agreements: 648

Non-Disclosure Agreements: 459

Data Use Agreements: 117

# OUR FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19

As COVID-19 changed the way we worked, lived, researched and communicated, the UK OTC team gave considerable thought as to how we could best assist in the fight against COVID-19. While we recognized that the landscape was quickly evolving, we took steps as an organization to support our researchers, connect our potential research partners, move COVID-19 relevant technologies into the marketplace more quickly, and help facilitate and showcase activities by UK startups, innovators and regional companies in support of front-line health care workers. Now more than ever, we are inspired to demonstrate how our university's innovative and entrepreneurial spirit can energize a community and do our part to help solve the world's biggest challenges.

## INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES:

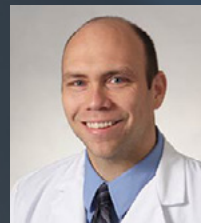
### 1 ANTIVIRAL MEMBRANE MASK



**Dibakar Bhattacharyya**  
UK Alumni Professor, College  
of Engineering

Capitalizing on the College of Engineering's expertise in membrane sciences, this research team developed a medical face mask that will capture and deactivate COVID-19 on contact. This innovation received a Rapid Response Research (RAPID) grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF).

### 2 START PROTOCOL



**Derek Forster**  
Medical Director,  
Infection Prevention and  
Control (IPAC)



**Jill Kolesar**  
Director, Precision Medicine  
Center, and professor,  
College of Pharmacy

The College of Medicine and UK HealthCare launched a START (Serologic Testing to Accelerate Recovery and Transition) trial. The study adopts a proprietary protocol developed by UK and is focused on antibody testing to determine how many people may have already contracted and recovered from COVID-19.

### 3 ANTIBODY ASSAY FOR COVID-19



**Vince Venditto**  
Assistant Professor, College  
of Pharmacy

Through strategic collaborations with the College of Medicine and the College of Pharmacy a high throughput serologic assay to screen hundreds of samples per day for antibodies targeting SARS-CoV-2 is being developed.

### 4 ORAL ZINC TO TREAT COVID-19

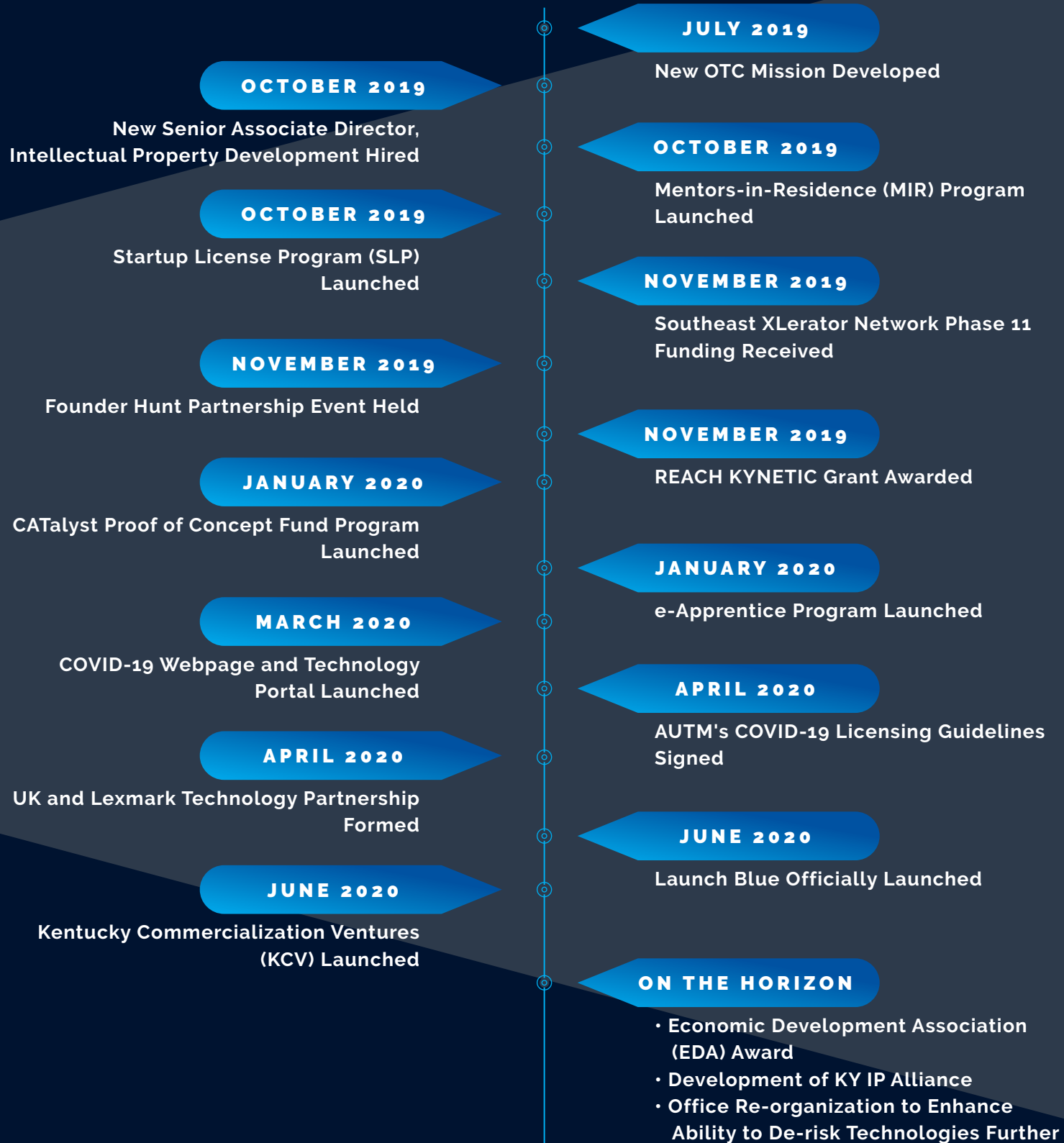


**Hunter Moseley**  
Associate Professor, College  
of Medicine

Zinc represents a highly available nutrient that can be administered in the possible therapeutic dosage range of 100 mg to 200 mg per day for short periods of time with no appreciable toxic effects. Additionally, oral zinc treatment may be synergistic with other drugs being actively studied and used in the treatment of COVID-19.

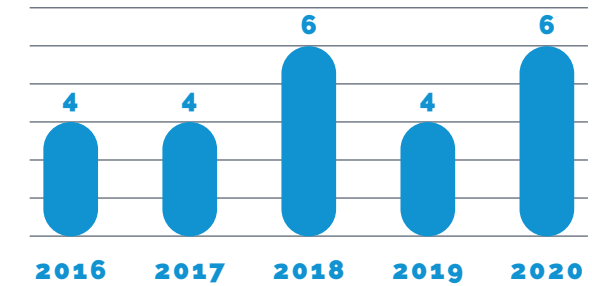
# A YEAR OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## MILESTONES



## UK Startup Companies Formed in Fiscal Year 2020

- AmDx PrognostX, Inc.
- Bioptics Technology LLC
- Rane Innovations, LLC
- TranSyn, Inc.
- Wild Dog Physics, LLC
- W-Z Biotech, LLC.



## UK Innovators that Participated in OTC Entrepreneurship Programs

- Dr. Madhumathi Rao, associate professor, College of Medicine
- Clay Larkin, biosystem engineering student, College of Engineering
- Florence Lima, research faculty, College of Medicine
- Dr. Christine Trinkle, associate professor, College of Engineering
- Soroosh Torabi, research assistant, College of Engineering

## UK Startup Companies that Received SBIR/STTR Funding in FY 2020

- Bioptics Technology LLC
- ParaTechs Corp (2)
- PowerTech Water, Inc.

## Total Active Startups Related to UK Technology

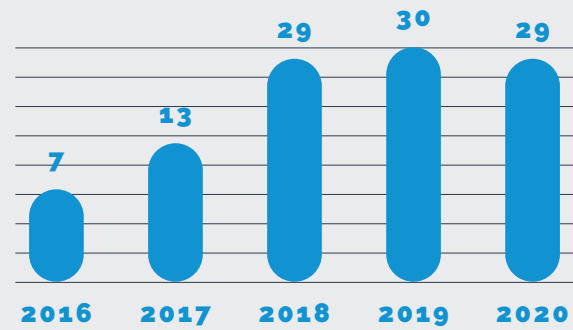
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## Startup Company Spotlight



[Bluegrass Advanced Materials, LLC \(BAM\)](#) is a UK-startup developing naturally derived antioxidant polymers to be used to improve many commercial applications, including pharmaceuticals, biomedical, foods, cosmetics, plastics, adhesives and lubricants.

## NEW LICENSES AND OPTIONS FY 2016 – FY 2020



Increase over  
Last Five Years:

314%

License Agreements  
that Generated  
Income in FY 2020:

33

## LICENSES AND OPTIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

### AMDX PROGNOSTX, INC.

Florin Despa  
*College of Medicine*

### APPALACHIAN REGIONAL HEALTHCARE, INC

Jeremy Collett  
*UK HealthCare*

### AVAST THERAPEUTICS (2)

Luke H. Bradley  
Don M. Gash  
Greg A. Gerhardt  
*College of Medicine*

### BIOPTICS TECHNOLOGY LLC

Guoqiang Yu  
Yu Lin  
Chong Huang  
*College of Engineering*

### CARBON SCIENCE SOLUTIONS, LLC

Stephen Lipka  
Christopher R. Swartz  
*Center for Applied Energy  
Research*

### CURIOSITYSTREAM, LLC

Seth Parker  
James Griffioen  
*College of Engineering*

### ENEPRET, INC.

Joseph Chappell  
Thomas D. Niehaus  
Shigeru Okada  
Timothy P. Devarenne  
David S. Watt  
Shuiqin Wu  
Scott Kinison  
*College of Agriculture, Food and  
Environment*

### EPIONC, INC.

Chunming Liu  
David Watt  
Mykhaylo Frasinuk  
Jessica Blackburn  
Yanqi Zie  
*College of Medicine*

### FLOW MAX, LLC

Andrzej M. Wala  
Todor P. Petrov  
*College of Engineering*

### HACKENSACK MERIDIAN HEALTH

Nora Warshawsky  
*College of Nursing*

### KERAFAST, INC.

Louis B. Hersh  
*College of Medicine*

### KERAFAST, INC. (5)

Timothy McClintock  
*College of Medicine*

### LEXMARK INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Josh Werner  
*College of Engineering*

### MERCK ANIMAL HEALTH

Udeni Balasuriya  
*College of Agriculture, Food and  
Environment*

### PUSAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF NURSING

Nora Warshawsky  
*College of Nursing*

### RANE INNOVATIONS, LLC

Rebecca Collins  
*College of Medicine*

### SPHERIX INCORPORATED

Chang-Guo Zhan  
Kyung-Bo Kim  
Vinod Kasam  
Woojin Lee  
Dong-Eun Kim  
Zach Miller  
Do-Min Lee  
Na-Re Lee  
*College of Pharmacy*

### STAGE 29 PRODUCTIONS LLC

Michael P. Murphy  
*College of Medicine*

### TRANSYN, INC.

Bert Lynn  
Mark Lovell  
*College of Arts and Sciences*

### UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Nora Warshawsky  
*College of Nursing*

### VIR BIOTECHNOLOGY, INC.

Edmund Rucker  
*College of Arts and Sciences*

### WILD DOG PHYSICS, LLC

Janelle Molloy  
*College of Medicine*

### W-Z BIOTECH, LLC

Dongfang Wang  
Joseph Zwischenberger  
*College of Medicine*

### ZOETIS SERVICES, LLC

Thomas Chambers  
Stephanie Reedy  
*College of Agriculture, Food and  
Environment*

## PROGRAMS

### CATALYST PROOF-OF-CONCEPT (POC) FUND

OTC launched the CATalyst POC Fund Program to de-risk and better prepare UK technologies with commercial potential for market fit and application. The aim is to accelerate the commercialization of technologies being developed at UK by helping to bridge the funding gap that often exists between idea/discovery and commercialization.



### MENTOR-IN-RESIDENCE (MIR)

OTC created the Mentor-in-Residence (MIR) program to deploy subject matter experts (mentors) to assist in coaching and advising UK innovators on turning their technology into viable businesses, products or services.

### UKACCEL

UKAccel graduated two teams in spring 2020. The first team was Dr. Madhumathi Rao (College of Medicine), Clay Larkin (College of Engineering), and Florence Lima (College of Medicine). The second team was Dr. Christine Trinkle (College of Engineering) and Soroosh Torabi (College of Engineering). Beginning FY 2021, UKAccel will be hosted through a partnership with Launch Blue and will help UK innovators determine the best commercialization path for their technology.

UKAccel

# PATENTS BY TECHNOLOGY AREA

## FISCAL YEAR 2020

### AGRICULTURE

**10,383,299** Altercation of Tobacco Alkaloid Content through Modification of Specific Cytochrome P450 Genes  
*Ralph E. Dewey, Balazs Siminszky, Steven W. Bowen, Lily Gavilano*

**10,433,544** Herbicide  
*Douglas Archbold, Marta Nosarzewski*

**10,687,490** Altercation of Tobacco Alkaloid Content through Modification of Specific Cytochrome P450 Genes  
*Ralph E. Dewey, Balazs Siminszky, Steven W. Bowen, Lily Gavilano*

### BIOSYNTHESIS

**10,597,665** Method and System for Diterpene Production Platforms in Yeast  
*Joseph Chappell, Xun Zhuang, Shuiqin Wu*

### DRUG DELIVERY

**10,682,442** Small Molecule Drug Release from In Situ Forming Degradable Scaffolds Incorporating Hydrogels and Bioceramic Microparticles  
*David Puleo, Todd Milbandt, James Zach Hilt, Paul Fisher, Vishwas Talwalkar*

### ENERGY

**10,457,859** Proppant for Use in Hydraulic Fracturing to Stimulate a Well  
*Thomas Lee Robl, Anne Elizabeth Oberlink*

**10,511,023** Fluorinated Coal Derived Carbons and Electrodes for Use in Battery Systems and Similar  
*Stephen M. Lipka, Christopher R. Schwartz*

**10,511,061** Low Temperature Liquid Metal Batteries for Energy Storage Applications  
*Cameron A. Lippert, Kunlei Liu, James Landon, Susan A. Odom, Nicolas E. Holubowitch*

### ENVIRONMENTAL

**10,500,562** Zirconia-based Compositions for Use in Passive NOx Adsorber Devices  
*Deborah Jayne Harris, David Alastair Seapens, John G. Darab, Mark Crocker, Yaying Ji*

**10,562,974** Methods of Administering IgG1 Antibodies and Methods of Suppressing Angiogenesis  
*Jayakrishna Ambati, Sandro De Falco*

**10,589,214** CO.sub.2 Mass Transfer Enhancement of Aqueous Amine Solvents by Particle Additives  
*Leland R. Widger, Guojie Qi, Kun Liu, Jonathan Bryant, Cameron A. Lippert, Kunlei Liu*

**10,669,174** Water Purification Device and a Method of Decontaminating a Water Supply  
*Dibakar Bhattcharyya, Xiao Li*

### HEALTHCARE IT

**10,430,942** Image Analysis for Predicting Body Weigh in Humans  
*Jeffrey S. Barrett, Chee Ng*

### MATERIALS

**10,358,535** Thermal Interface Material  
*Matthew Collins Weisenberger, John Davis Craddock*

**10,396,175** Nanogaps on Atomically Thin Materials as Non-Volatile Read/Writable Memory Devices  
*Douglas Robert Strachan, Abhishek Sundararajan, Mathias Joseph Boland*

### MECHANICAL DEVICE

**10,512,983** Method and Apparatus for Measurement of Three-Dimensional Welding Torch Orientation for a Welding Process Without Using a Magnetometer  
*YuMing Zhang*

### MEDICAL DEVICES

**10,335,296** Graft Within a Graft Endoluminal Graft  
*David J. Minion*

**10,667,899** Endoluminal Graft System and Method of Implanting the Same  
*David J. Minion*

**10,687,704** System, Device, and Method for Determination of Intraocular Pressure  
*Jeffrey Todd Hastings, Britt E. Brockman, Ingrid L. St. Omer, John C. Wright*

### OPHTHALMOLOGY

**10,344,095** CCR3 Inhibition for Ocular Angiogenesis and Macular Degeneration  
*Jayakrishna Ambati*

### OTHER

**10,655,328** Structural Reinforcement, Reinforced Structural Member and Related Method  
*Issam Elias Harik, Nisal Abheetha Peris*

### RESEARCH TOOL

**10,607,723** Method and System for Identification of Metabolites Using Mass Spectra  
*Hunter N.B. Moseley, William J. Carreer, Joshua Mitchell, Robert M. Flight*

**10,648,966** Lipid Bilayer-integrated SPP1 Connector Protein Nanopore and SPP1 Connector Protein Variants for Use as Lipid Bilayer-integrated Nanopore  
*Peixuan Guo, Shaoying Wang*

### SCREENING

**10,473,670** Method of Predicting Obesity Comprising Measuring Nuerotensin  
*B. Mark Evers, Jing Li, Paul Dobner, Olle Melander*

### THERAPEUTICS

**10,378,018** RNA-based Compositions and Adjuvants for Prophylactic and Therapeutic Treatment  
*Peixuan Guo, Hui Li, Emil Khisamutdinov, Daniel Jasinski*

**10,415,039** Antisense Oligonucleotide Modulators of Serotonin Receptor 2C and Uses Thereof  
*Stefan Stamm, Manli Shen, Serene Josiah*

**10,449,186** Phenylethynyl-substituted Benzenes and Heterocycles for the Treatment of Cancer  
*David S. Watt, Chunming Liu, Vitaliy M. Sviripa, Wen Zhang, Markos Leggas*

**10,508,150** Methods to Impair Hematologic Cancer Progenitor Cells and Compounds Related Thereto  
*Craig Jordan*

**10,512,641** Chloroquine Induction Par-4 and Treatment of Cancer  
*Vivek M. Rangnekar*

**10,544,112** Identification of Ebsulfur Analogues with Broad Spectrum Antifungal Activity  
*Sylvie Garneau-Tsodikova, Huy X. Ngo, Sanjib K. Shrestha*  
**10,584,144** RNA Nanoparticles for Brain Tumor Treatment  
*Peixuan Guo, Carlo M. Croce, Tae Jin Lee, Farzin Haque, Hui Li*

**10,604,756** Protection Against Ionizing Radiation and Chemotherapy Toxicity via Latexin Regulation  
*Gary Van Zant, Ying Liang, Yi Liu*

**10,668,030** Vesicular Monoamine Transporter-2 Ligands and their Use in the Treatment of Psychostimulant Abuse  
*Linda P. Dwoskin, Peter Anthony Crooks, Guangrong Zheng, Justin R. Nickell, Zheng Cao, Na-Ra Lee*



# INVENTION REPORTS BY TECHNOLOGY AREA

## FISCAL YEAR 2020

### AGRICULTURE

#### 2391 Low Flow Metering Device Based on Two Electronically Activated Solenoid Valves Plumbed in Series

John H. Grove, A.D. Karathanasis, Christopher J. Matocha, Lloyd W. Murdock

#### 2440 Cannabis Sativa (Hemp) Genotypes with <0.0% THC

David F. Hildebrand, Henri Marmillon, Kai Su, Jia Ven Tan

#### 2460 Gene Silencing Kills Bark Beetles Threatening Conifer Forests that Mitigate Climate Change

Bethany Kyre, L.K. Rieske-Kinney, Thais Barros Rodrigues

#### 2487 Nanoscale Device for the Oral Administration of Short Hairpin RNA to Insects to Elicit RNA Interference

Kevin Donohue, Jerome Laisney, Jason Urine

#### Assay

#### 2395 Color Map Visualization of the UPDRS Test

George Quintero, Craig Van Horne

### BIOFUELS

#### 2416 Oxidative Depolymerized Lignin Compounds for Treating Bacterial Contamination during Fuel Ethanol Fermentation

Ryan M. Kalinoski, Jian Shi

### BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS

#### 2437 iGlurR1 Antibody, OET-07 Antibody

Timothy S. McClintock

#### 2445 G12 Antibody

Timothy S. McClintock

#### 2446 G293 Antibody

Timothy S. McClintock

#### 2447 P293 Antibody

Timothy S. McClintock

#### 2448 A-Tubulin Antibody; OET-10 Antibody

Timothy S. McClintock

#### 2474 Beclin 1 Floxed Mouse (Becn1fl)

Edmund Rucker

### BIOMARKERS

#### 2420 Novel Human Neuropilin-1 Splice Variants as Biomarkers and Therapeutic Targets in Cancer Metastasis

Xiuping Huang; Qing-Bai She, Qing Ye

#### 2498 Gene Signature for Exceptional Survivors of Advanced Lung Cancer

Vivek M. Rangnekar, Thomas C. Tucker, Chi Wang

#### 2507 Par-4 Loss as a Predictor of Obesity Risk

Nathalia Araujo, Ravshan Burikhanov, Olle Melander, Vivek M. Rangnekar

### BIOSYNTHESIS

#### 2466 Synthesis of Novel Hydrophobic Deep Eutectic Solvents from Lignin-derived Compounds

Jameson Hunter, Wenqi Li, Jian Shi, Yuxuan Zhang

### DIAGNOSTIC

#### 2469 Unsupervised Detection of High Frequency Oscillations in the Epileptic Brain

Amir Al-Bakri, Sridhar Sunderam

### DRUG DELIVERY

#### 2477 Molecular Tags for CNS Drug Delivery

Raymond T. Bartus, Luke H. Bradley, Don M. Gash, Greg A. Gerhardt

#### 2505 (COVID-Related) Nanoparticles Bearing the Coronavirus Spike Protein as a Targeted Delivery System for Anti-Viral Drugs

Barbara Knutson, John M. Littleton, Stephen Rankin, Dennis Trent Rogers

### DRUG DEVELOPMENT

#### 2396 Improving the Yield of Protein Production of Butyrylcholinesterase and its Mutants through Sequence Optimization

Xiabin Chen, Chang-Guo Zhan, Fang Zheng

#### 2397 Compounds and Methods to Impair Androgen Receptor (AR) Activation, Impair Dimerization, and/or Impair AR Trans-Regulation

Michael V. Fiandalo, James L. Mohler, Vitaliy M. Sviripa, David S. Watt

### ELECTRONIC SENSOR

#### 2409 In-Situ Optical Diagnostics for Barrel Aged Liquids

Michael Renfro

### ENERGY

#### 2417 Waste Plastic-Derived Silicon-Based Lithium-Ion Battery Anode Material

Wenqi Li, Jian Shi

#### 2418 A Synthetic Method of Endocarp Lignin-Derived Silicon-Based Lithium-Ion Battery Anode Material

Yang-Tse Cheng, Seth DeBolt, Wenqi Li, Jian Shi

#### 2441 Sliding-Pressure CO2 Capture Process for Stationary Power Generation

Ricky Q. Honaker, Wencai Zhang

#### 2493 Progressive Multi-Staged Liquid Fracking Proppant Injections or "Multi-Frac"

Tristana Duvall, Robert B. Jewell, Anne E. Oberlink, Thomas L. Robl

### ENVIRONMENTAL

#### 2390 An Efficient Non-Clogging Inertial Vortex Type Particle Scrubber

Ashish Ranjan Kumar, Steven Schafrik, Allison Taylor

#### 2491 NH4OH Looping with Membrane Absorber and Distributed Stripper for Enhanced Algae Growth

Mark Crocker, Kunlei Liu, Heather Nikolic

#### 2496 Trash-to-Tank (3T) Processor

Caleb Duckworth, Matthew Gilbert, Chandni A. Joshi, Jeffrey R. Seay

#### 2508 Process to Fabricate Membranes Using Green, Non-Toxic Solvents

Xiaobo Dong, Isabel Escobar

### EQUINE

#### 2400 Equine Influenza Virus Isolates

Thomas M. Chambers, Stephanie Reedy

#### 2404 Development of a Novel Organ-On-A-Chip Platform for Veterinary Medicine

Carrie Shaffer

#### 2405 IGF1 as a Marker for Early Injury Detection in Horses

David W. Horohov, Allen Edward Page, John Craig Stewart

#### 2470 Method of Detection

Hartmut H. Malluche

### FOOD SCIENCE

#### 2443 Rise: A Probiotic Beverage for Restoring Gut Microflora after Alcohol Consumption

Heather Campbell, Patrick J. Marsac

### HEALTHCARE IT

#### 2407 Discharge Tab

Philip Bernard, Jennifer Dorsey, Tammy Lloyd

### INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES

#### 2423 Ammoniacal Extraction of Copper, Gold and other Elements of Value

Joshua Werner

#### 2454 Principles of Operation and Control of Regenerated Oxidizer in Countercurrent Leaching Configurations

Joshua Werner

#### 2455 Electrowinning Cells for the Segregation of the Cathodic and Anodic Compartments

Joshua Werner

### MACHINE LEARNING

#### 2406 Horizon Line Estimation Using Deep Learning

Nathan Jacobs, Scott Workman, Menghua Zhai

#### 2430 Joint 2D-3D Breast Cancer Classification

Nathan Jacobs, Gongho Liang, Xiaoqin Wang

### MATERIALS

#### 2414 Novel Composite Mineralizers/Fluxes for the Production of Alite/Calcium Sulfoaluminate Clinkers and Mechanical Properties of those High Early Strength Development Materials

Tristana Duvall, Robert B. Jewell, Thomas L. Robl

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Mark Fritz, Moamen Gabr, Guigen Zhang

#### 2431 A Device for the Precision Application/Quantification of Massage Dose

Timothy A. Butterfield, Esther Dupont-Versteedgen

#### 2439 Methods of Dete Polyglucan in Human Biofluids

Ron Bruntz, Matthew S. Gentry, Ramon Sun

#### 2451 Subtalar Arthrodesis Nail Implant System

Arun Aneja, Lorenzo Deveza, Gavin Hautala, Arjun Srinath

#### 2452 Hinged Sheath

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#### 2453 Tibiotalar Fusion (TTF) Nail

Eric Abbenhaus, Arun Aneja, Lorenzo Deveza, Arjun Srinath

#### 2457 Smart Dental Light

Daniel L. Lau, Howard Roberts, Biyun Xie

#### 2468 Needle Depth Guide

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#### 2497 Non-Contact Multi-Wavelength Time-Resolved Laser Speckle Contrast Imaging (MTR-LSCI)

Lei Chen, Chong Huang, Siavash Mazdeyasna, Guoqiang Yu, Mingjun Zhao

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#### 2410 The Clinical Pharmacokinetics Services & Anticoagulation Guidelines (also known as "The Blue Book")

Aaron Cook, George Davis, Brian Gardner

#### 2421 Compressing H2 Matrices for Translationally Invariant Kernels

Robert J. Adams

#### 2472 Financial and Insurance Navigation Assistant (FINassist)

Jean Edward, Kimberly Northrip

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Joseph Green, Melinda Ickes, Dillon Lay, Haley Leach, Sierrah Miley

#### 2476 (COVID-Related) Forced AQIR HEPA Filter Box/Manifold for PAPR Hood

Charles Fletcher

#### 2478 (COVID-Related) Anti-Viral Membrane for Inclusion in Masks and Other Protection Equipment

Dibakar Bhattacharyya

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Mehdi Khosravi

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Jonathan Terry

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*Barbara Knutson, Stephen Rankin, Bruce A. Webb*

**2424 ACL Tear-r-izer**  
*Timothy A. Butterfield, Lindsey Lepley*

**2471 Chronic Rodent Head Stabilization System for Imaging and Stereotaxic Manipulation**  
*Chris Gant, Pradoldej Sompoi*

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*David Minion*

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*Sudhakar Veeranki*

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*Scott Berry, Jill M. Kolesar*

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**2438 A Device for Quality Assurance of Medical Accelerators**  
*Dennis Cheek, Quan Chen, Janelle Molloy*

**2444 Cradle and Feedback Mechanism for Automated Device Alignment in Radiation Therapy Quality Assurance**  
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*S. Dinesh Kumar, Himanshu Thapliyal*

**2458 Quantum Circuit Designs of Integer Division**  
*Edgard Munoz-Coreas, Himanshu Thapliyal*

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*Edgard Munoz-Coreas, Himanshu Thapliyal*

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*Henry G. Dietz*

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*Julius Schoop*

**2449 Machine Learning Determines Plasma Proteins as Predictors of Clinical Outcomes and Identifying Drug Targets in Ischemic Stroke Patients**  
*Qiang Cheng, Justin Fraser, Keith R. Pennypacker*

**2479 Muffler Analysis Program (MAP)**  
*Tingwen Wu*

**2500 (COVID-Related) COVID-19 Employee Screening Web Application**  
*Jeremy Collett*

**2502 Implicit Cybersecurity for the Digital Thread in Manufacturing**  
*Julius Schoop*

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*John J. McCarthy, Taylor Rees Valentino*

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*Scott Charles Eagon, Rodney Kip Guy, Jared Hammill*

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*Greg A. Gerhardt, John M. Littleton, Bert C. Lynn, Dennis Tent Rogers*

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*Ravshan Burikhanov, Vivek M. Rangnekar, Vitaliy M. Sviripa, David S. Watt*

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*Scott Gordon*

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*James W. Geddes, Chen-Guang Yu*

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*Sudhakar Veeranki*

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*Rodney Guttman, Susan D. Kraner, Christopher M. Norris*

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*Yasir AlSiraj, Eric M. Blalock, Lisa A. Cassis, Mark Ensor, Sean Thatcher*

**2428 Back-up for SJ733, a Novel Antimalarial**  
*Rodney Kip Guy, Jared Hammill*

**2432 Substituted N-Benzhydrylacetamide Inhibitors of Jumanji Domain Histone Demethylases for the Treatment of Cancer**  
*Chunming Liu, Vitaliy M. Sviripa, David S. Watt, Wen Zhang*

**2433 Substituted 2-Cinnamoylphenyl Benzoates and Related Heterocycles as Wnt Inhibitors for the Treatment of Cancer**  
*Mykhaylo S. Frasinuk, Chunming Liu, Xifu Liu, David S. Watt*

**2434 Distorted Gold(I)-Phosphine Complexes as Antimicrobial Agents**  
*Samuel G. Awuah, Emily Kristen Dennis, Sylvie Garneau-Tsodikova, Jong Hyun Kim*

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*Michelle Pitts, Vincent J. Venditto*

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*Ravshan Burikhanov, Vivek M. Rangnekar, David S. Watt*

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*Sudhakar Veeranki*

**2461 Repurpose Polymerase I Inhibitors**  
*Vandre Casagrande Figueiredo, John J. McCarthy*

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*Robert Barrows, Christopher Davis, Rodney Kip Guy, Jared Hammill, Spencer Knapp*

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*Matthew S. Gentry, Ramon Sun, Haining Zhu*

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*Alan Daugherty, Zhenyu Li, Hong Lu, Congqing Wu, Dien Ye*

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*Shike Wang, Ren Xu*

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*Hunter N. Moseley*

**2486 Use of Antisense Oligonucleotides Targeted Against Angiotensinogen in Marfan Syndrome**  
*Jeff Chen, Alan Daugherty, Hong Lu, Mary Sheppard*

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*Samuel G. Awuah, Terrence A. Barrett*

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*Samuel G. Awuah, Terrence A. Baqrrrett*

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*Qiang Cheng, Sean Ekins, Justin Fraser, Keith R. Pennypacker*

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*Preeti Ramachandran*

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*Jameson Hunter, WEnqi Li, Qing Shao, Jian Shi, Yuxuan Zhang*

**2495 AiFlushing Enhanced Water Recovery Capacitive Deionization**  
*Xin Gao, James Landon, Kunlei Liu, Ayokunle Omosebi*

# PARTNERSHIPS

## Executives-on-Roster



The University of Kentucky (UK) through the leadership of OTC launched the Southeast and the Midwest Executives-on-Roster (XOR) platforms and programs, which will be merged into one platform in early 2021 by XLerator Network (XLN). This will open up the platform to all higher education institutions and offer more training and resources.

## Launch Blue



Launch Blue is an early-stage accelerator program designed to nurture the most promising Kentucky founders with scalable, technology-based startup ideas and empower them to move from the idea stage to successful launch. OTC provides funding support and is one of the organizing partners along with Awesome Inc, Base 110, Bluegrass Angels, Bullard, Commerce Lexington, SBDC, Marrow, and KSTC.

## Founder Hunt



OTC collaborated with the University of Louisville (UofL) and the Commonwealth Commercialization Center (created from Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development funding) to create Founder Hunt. The goal of Founder Hunt is to connect research-backed technologies with startup founders who want to build a company around the technology. Four UK innovators pitched their technology at the inaugural event in November 2019.

## Kentucky Commercialization Ventures (KCV)



KCV launched in June 2020 and is a state-funded program which provides intellectual property (IP) and tech transfer services to Kentucky's public universities and colleges that currently do not have dedicated IP and tech transfer resources. UK is a partner in KCV through OTC's leadership. Partners include the Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation (KSTC), the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development (CED), and the University of Louisville (UofL). Ian McClure, OTC's executive director, is a co-founder of KCV.

## Kentucky Network for Innovation and Commercialization (KYNETIC)



The KYNETIC program supports faculty, staff, trainees, and students who want to accelerate the introduction of their groundbreaking innovations to the marketplace to address unmet needs to benefit human health. The KYNETIC hub is led by UK, CED with support from KCV. Five UK projects received funding in the first cycle.

## XLerator Network (XLN)



UK, regional partners and XLerateHealth partnered together through a grant awarded by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS STTR Award UT2GM130174) to develop a regional biomedical technology accelerator hub. During FY 2020, XLN announced seven awardees through the Ideas-To-Products (I2P) Program, created their Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) 1:1 Assistance Program, and launched their Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) program that created a community of over 200 administrators in the healthcare ecosystem to offer advice to biomedical innovators.

## OVALS



OTC partners with universities as a consortium through OVALS, which brings several regional universities in the Ohio Valley/Midwest together to share best practices for the advancement of university life sciences technologies, and to focus on best practices for technology transfer.

## RISE (Regional Innovations for Startups and Entrepreneurs)

OTC continued to manage UK's role under the RISE initiative from the CED. OTC's New Ventures team has worked strategically with the Lexington community and provided services to both UK and Lexington startups. Under RISE, they have worked with community partners through StartupLEX and the Bluegrass Angels (BGA).



# ENGAGEMENT



### PATENT PALOOZA

We missed celebrating our amazing innovators and startups due to COVID-19. We are still planning on celebrating and recognizing our FY 2019 and FY 2020 innovators and startups. Updates will be on the Patent Palooza! webpage.



### UK WOMEN INNOVATORS NETWORK (UKWIN) CONFERENCE

In October 2019, we celebrated women innovators with our annual event. Our keynote speaker was Angelique Johnson, CEO and founder of MEMStim, LLC. She gave an energizing presentation titled Think Like an Innovator. Act Like an Entrepreneur. She joined Meghan Marsac, program lead for Cellie Coping Kit for Children, and Pang Hartman, vice president, creative director and lead designer for FrogDice, in an informative innovator and entrepreneur panel. We also participated virtually and on social channels in the "She Started It" campaign in partnership with organizations across Kentucky to celebrate female entrepreneurs for Women's History Month.



### EDUCATION PROGRAM

We started out 2020 with in-person faculty education sessions. Due to the pandemic, we quickly transitioned to education through our OTC Monthly Webinars, which has allowed us to educate faculty innovators from UK and universities across the United States, and Kentucky communities.

To schedule an education session, contact [otcinfo@uky.edu](mailto:otcinfo@uky.edu).



### UK ENTREPRENEUR SHOWCASE

Due to COVID-19, the UK Entrepreneur Showcase was postponed. Check out the UK Entrepreneur Showcase webpage for updates.

### WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DAY

World Intellectual Property (IP) Day was April 26, 2020. The theme was Innovate for a Green Future. Mark your calendars for April 26, 2021 and help us celebrate World Intellectual Property (IP) Day.

# OTC STAFF AWARDS

OTC awards annual OTC Superlatives to recognize the exemplary individual work of OTC staff members in three areas reflecting core principles of the OTC: Service, Relationships, and Support.

Join us in congratulating this year's SUPER-lative winners!

### 2019 OTC EXEMPLARY STAFF AWARD



WINNER:  
**RAJA KRISHNAN**  
*Commercialization Manager*

The staff person who, in 2019, best represented OTC's mission statement and actively exhibited the OTC Operating Model in all work activities.

*The winner is chosen by the OTC Leadership Team.*

### 2019 OTC SUPPORT AWARD



WINNER:  
**SABRINA DARNELL**  
*Intellectual Property/ Compliance Coordinator*

The staff person who, in 2019, best practiced the OTC Operating Model principle to support others within the office to complete work activities, projects or goals.

*The winner is chosen by the OTC Staff.*

### 2019 OTC RELATIONSHIP AWARD



WINNER:  
**ERIC HARTMAN**  
*Associate Director, New Ventures*

The staff person who, in 2019, best exhibited the OTC Operating Model principle to put relationships on a pedestal and built and maintained relationships with others outside the office that created value to OTC.

*The winner is chosen by the OTC Staff.*

### 2019 OTC SERVICE AWARD



WINNER:  
**TAUNYA PHILLIPS**  
*Senior Associate Director, New Ventures & Alliances*

The staff person who, in 2019, best exhibited the OTC Operating Model principle to provide exemplary customer service to others outside the office in their work responsibilities.

*The winner is chosen by the OTC Staff.*

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