



2012 Technology Innovation Awards

Presented by the Vice President for Research, Graduate Studies & Economic Development; the Office of University Research Parks, the Arizona Center for Innovation and the Office of Technology Transfer

I. TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION AWARDS

A. Purpose of Awards

The Technology Innovation Award is given annually to a selected University of Arizona researcher in recognition of exemplary innovative achievements in translating original ideas from the laboratory to the marketplace.

Awardees will have demonstrated success at moving original research ideas and seminal findings into the disclosure, patent or registration process, and ultimately into the marketplace for the betterment and advancement of the local, national and international communities and economies.

The ultimate purpose of the Technology Innovation Award is to make visible to the University and public communities the achievements of faculty, staff and students in areas of research and technology that lend themselves to translation to the private sector. The award will recognize such achievements and encourage others in the University's research community to consider such work as a contribution to the public, the University and their own careers.

B. Awards and Recognition Plaques

1. The Technology Innovation Award

This award shall be given to an established University researcher whose research findings have matured to the extent of having been commercialized in the form of a license, company-based enterprise or other publicly visible translation instrument. The awardee is acknowledged at Innovation Day at the UA. She/He will receive a commemorative plaque and a prize of \$10,000 to be used for research related activities at the University (e.g., travel to meetings by the PI or team member, purchase of equipment, purchase of software, paying for consultant).

2. Public Plaques

Awardee names will be inscribed on the Technology Innovation Award plaques to be displayed in the public reception areas of the offices of the Office of University Research Parks, Administration Building, Room 116 and the Arizona Center for Innovation at the UA Tech Park.

II. NOMINATION PROCEDURE

Nominations shall be submitted by any individual or self-constituted group of two or more current University faculty members or staff on behalf of the nominee(s) and/or their team. Nominations should be submitted utilizing the attached form.

III. SELECTION CRITERIA

Nominations shall be reviewed by a committee comprised of at least the Vice President for Research, the Associate Vice President for the Office of University Research Parks, the Director for the Office of Technology Transfer and a current University faculty member. Nominees may be asked to appear before the review committee and be prepared to present their original research idea.

The deadline for submission of nomination packets is: September 23, 2011, 5:00pm

Technology Innovator Nomination Form for 2012 Innovation Day at UA

Nominator Information		
Name	Current Position and Affiliation	
Address	Phone	Email
Nominee Information		
Name	Current Position and Affiliation	
Address	Phone	Email
Research Project Information		
Description of Project (one sentence)		
Details of Project (including original research achievements which have led to translation into the technology-based private market place; the impact of the translational research and how these intellectual and practical achievements align with the mission of the University - up to 500 words)		

Optional:

You may attach a bio sketch / CV of nominee (no more than three pages) and/or up to three letter/s of recommendation

Please submit nomination by September 23, 2011, 5:00pm to:

**Office of University Research Parks
Attn: Technology Innovation Nominations
The University of Arizona
PO Box 210458
Tucson, AZ 85721**

or via e-mail to: anitab@email.arizona.edu

INQUIRIES regarding this process may be directed to the Office of University Research Parks (anitab@email.arizona.edu, 520-382-3261).