

Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology Intellectual Property Operations Policy

At Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology (hereinafter referred to as "TUAT") our goals for advancing research are to reach "the highest level of research in agriculture, engineering and integrated fields, striving to achieve a society that enables sustainable development" and to realize "high-quality research, that makes a significant academic and social contribution".

Our aim, in returning the results of research to society is "to return the fruits of our research to society as a whole so that they can be shared as assets of all humanity" and "to contribute toward realizing sustainable development of society and improve the material, intellectual and cultural life of the human race.

TUAT's third mission, following our fundamental missions of education and academic research, is to directly contribute to society by providing new technological creations and new industrial creations by forming knowledge creation cycles based on Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration.

In order to effectively utilize and protect the intellectual property created at TUAT through the processes implemented to realize these aims and fulfill our mission, TUAT has formed the following Intellectual Property Operations Policy.

- (1) Through research alliances, TUAT aims to construct systems that will attain benefits for both TUAT and society and to form knowledge creation cycles.
- (2) Intellectual property shall be effectively protected and utilized based on contractual partnerships formed between TUAT and private industry.
- (3) In principle, the intellectual property rights in any invention etc. created by a TUAT employee, vest in TUAT, provided that academic papers and educational materials created by a TUAT employee in the course of their work, belong to that employee, unless specified to the contrary in a separate agreement.
- (4) TUAT protects and utilizes intellectual property from the standpoint of wishing to promote venture startup industries, acquire competitive research funds and promote technological transfer.
- (5) TUAT operates closely in tandem with Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology-TLO CO., Ltd. to facilitate the creation, protection and utilization of intellectual property.