



## FLC 'What is T2?' video transcript

GPS navigation is everywhere these days— our cars, our phones, and even our watches! But did you know that GPS was originally developed by our nation's top defense laboratories for use in military operations?

Thanks to a process called technology transfer, GPS has been made accessible for businesses to apply to their own products for the last 20 years.

While GPS is just one well-known example, thousands of other successful technologies developed in federal labs have been brought to market thanks to savvy entrepreneurs and business people—like you—who have benefited from federal resources by commercializing these technologies, which helped GROW their businesses and our ECONOMY!

Every day, our federal laboratories conduct exciting research, create new materials and devices, invent technologies that lead to life-saving medicines, and produce the LATEST and GREATEST in science and technology.

These federal laboratories are EAGER to make their ideas and inventions—even their facilities—available to all American businesses from startups to large corporations!

Imagine being able to license and sell the latest technologies from NASA, the Department of Energy or the National Institutes of Health... or gain access to state-of-the-art federal labs for your own projects...For example, you can access Brookhaven National Laboratory to conduct testing on everything from hydrogen storage materials to metallurgical reactions.

You could even partner with Government scientists already conducting advanced work in your field as a launching point for your totally new concepts!

Some of the most groundbreaking technologies have come out of lab partnerships and lead to more spinoffs than a technology may have originally been developed for. NASA robotics developed for mechanical maintenance have been transferred into a groundbreaking precision surgical tool. [short pause] A program instituted by Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency to help military commanders with information overload and office chores has now become part of the Apple iOS we all know as Siri.



With a variety of mechanisms readily available to make the transition, licensing a government-owned technology or getting access to federal labs is easier than you may think!

Start by reaching out to a federal laboratory or agency representative to see what resources they may have available. And this is where we—the Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer—the FLC—come in. Through the FLC’s comprehensive web-based tools and services all the information and educational materials you need are at your fingertips!

Visit our website at [www.federallabs.org](http://www.federallabs.org) to find out how the federal government’s technology transfer programs can help your business succeed and ensure our continued competitiveness in the global economy!