

SPOTLIGHT

The FLC Spotlight is a bi-weekly thematic newsletter highlighting issues of interest to the FLC and its partners.



2022 FLC National Awards Spotlight: Getting Innovative with T2

Scientific innovation is the foundation of federal technology transfer, but T2 professionals can be just as innovative as the researchers they work with. This Spotlight showcases three creative ways of facilitating T2 partnerships.

Two of these federal labs earned 2022 FLC National Awards in the Technology Transfer Innovation category, while a third team demonstrated its creativity in a win for Excellence in Technology Transfer.

Key components of this year's award-winning projects include a unique agreement designed for partnerships involving multiple parties, short-form cooperative research and development agreements (CRADAs), and a technology demonstration event specifically for previous licensees of a federal technology.

These innovative programs have enhanced T2 in multiple ways:

- Connecting groups of companies with a federal lab to solve complex technological challenges that are of mutual interest
- Creating opportunities for a federal lab to deepen its collaborative relationship with a large company while simultaneously forging new partnerships with like-minded startups
- Incentivizing industry partners to make technological advancements to licensed technologies, which can lead to additional licenses or other T2 agreements
- Allowing partners to test-drive a technology, providing the lab with feedback to facilitate improvements before conversion to a commercial license

Please join us in congratulating these noteworthy tech transfer efforts. Use the links below to learn more and view the winners' acceptance videos.

Then think about the innovative partnership strategies employed by your tech transfer team that deserve broader recognition, and tell your story in a submission for the [2023 FLC Awards](#).

Technology Transfer Innovation Award

National Renewable Energy Laboratory



[NREL and Shell leverage unique partnership agreement to create clean-energy accelerator](#)

[View NREL's acceptance video](#)

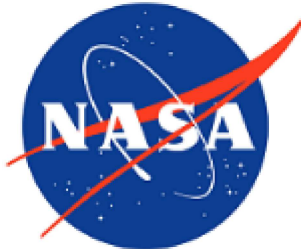
Excellence in Technology Transfer Award



Oak Ridge National Laboratory

[Creative licensing boosts adoption of ORNL's AI-driven quality assessment software for 3D printing](#)

Technology Transfer Innovation Award



NASA Langley Research Center

[Event strengthens relationships by showcasing advances made to licensed technologies](#)

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