**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (IP) MANAGEMENT – INSTRUCTIONS**

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WHERE APPLICABLE YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF THE IP ARRANGEMENTS IN YOUR APPLICATION. THIS INCLUDES:

* THE USE OF IP IN THE PROJECT AND PROPOSED OWNERSHIP RIGHTS TO IP GENERATED BY THE PROJECT
* STRATEGIES FOR PROTECTING AUSTRALIA’S INTEREST

WE RECOMMEND THIS IS PROVIDED AS AN ADDITIONAL ATTACHMENT TO THE APPLICATION.

THE TEXT BELOW IS PROVIDED AS A DEFAULT RESPONSE. HOWEVER, UQ R&I RECOMMENDS THAT THE RESPONSE IS TAILORED TO YOUR PROPOSAL SUCH THAT YOU LIAISE WITH [UNIQUEST](https://uniquest.com.au/about/our-people/) TO ENSURE IT IS APPROPRIATE.

**IP Arrangements and Management for <YEAR><SCHEME> Initiative: [*insert title; CIA: insert name*]**

It is the intention of the team on [*insert title*] to purposefully strive to create knowledge and intellectual property (IP) of economic and commercial value, that should ultimately deliver both improved health outcomes for Australians and economic impact for Australia.

Further, it is the intention of the team to develop and utilise policies and procedures that will facilitate the most effective and rapid commercialisation of IP created as part of the MRFF-funded activities. IP owned or controlled by UQ is commercialised by UniQuest Pty Ltd. UniQuest is Australia’s top university-based commercialisation office, managing the intellectual property of The University of Queensland. Since 1984, it has created more than 100 startups based on UQ research which have gone on to raise more than $700 million. Gross sales of products licensed by UniQuest have surpassed $US16 billion and more than $465 million in revenue has been returned to UQ.

Each member of the MRFF Grant Opportunity on *<insert title>* shall be responsible for the management of their respective background IP. In order to execute the Project, background intellectual property will remain the property of the original party, except to the extent that it is made available for use by the Project and, if required, for the commercialisation of any Project activities. The partners agree to the following principles:

1. Background IP will remain the property of the originating party, except to the extent that it is made available for use in the MRFF-funded research activities and the commercialisation of any IP resulting from MRFF-funded research as required.
2. The team will implement a process for the identification and assessment of new IP with potential commercial value; and for identification of the parties that actively contributed to the creation of that IP. UniQuest will manage this process.
3. Clear policies and procedures will be used for the protection of new IP that is determined to have likely commercial or strategic value, including an agreed protocol for contributions to the costs of protecting and maintaining the IP.
4. There will be an agreed process for the commercialisation of new IP that is created by one or more of the partner organisations including jointly created IP. This will have sufficient flexibility to enable the development of a commercialisation strategy at an individual project level; reflecting the optimum commercialisation framework for the specific technology, overall project development plan, partner requirements and contributions and potential paths to market. UniQuest will manage this during the project ensuring benefits and returns to Australia are maximised.
5. Contractual arrangements for sharing the commercial benefits of new IP created by the partner organisations from MRFF-funded research activities will be agreed.

The over-riding principles of the agreed IP management framework will be to maximise the commercial and economic benefits, for the benefit of Australians, from any IP created from the MRFF-funded research activities. Using its track record, established processes and expertise, UniQuest will work with the team’s partner organisations to achieve this aim.