Technology Transfer at URI: Navigating the Processes and Maximizing the Benefits

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The impact of your research can extend beyond scientific publications and presentations. Your discoveries could lead to the development of products, services and new businesses that change people’s lives for the better. Learn how to leverage the Office of Intellectual Property and Economic Development to access additional channels of knowledge and technology transfer.

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