

## Policies and Procedures

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### 1. POLICY

Material transfer agreements define the terms of use for research materials exchanged with industry sponsors or academic colleagues at other institutions. If the proposed research involves the exchange of proprietary research materials—such as biological materials, chemical compounds, or animals—a material transfer agreement will need to be negotiated to ensure that both parties have a common understanding of how the materials can be used. Such agreements are intended to protect the interests of both parties, including commercial, intellectual property, and academic interests. Material transfer agreements are binding contracts and all such agreements must be reviewed and approved by the University’s Research Compliance office to ensure appropriate protection of investigator and University interests. Principal Investigators who wish to process a material transfer agreement shall follow the [Creighton University Material Transfer Agreement procedure](#).