Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP)

Advisor:
A faculty member, often assigned by the graduate program, to help students select courses and to direct their theses or dissertations.

AO: Authorized Official

AOR: Authorized Organization Representative

BAA: Broad Agency Announcement

BCF: Budget Create Form

BRF: Budget Revision Form

C&G: Contracts & Grants

Co-PI: Co-Principal Investigators
This designation refers to individuals who share the responsibility for the conduct of the study with the Principal Investigator and therefore require the same qualifications as the Lead PI.

CHESS Codes: Consortium for Higher Education Software Services

CIP Codes: Classification of Instructional Programs

DORED: Division of Research and Economic Development

DUNS No.: Data Universal Number System (No. 07-157-6482)

EIN / FEIN: Employer Identification Number / Federal Employer Identification Number

F&A Costs: Facilities & Administrative Costs

FB: Fringe Benefits

FDA: Food and Drug Administration
Federal Agencies: There are 29 Federal government agencies that sponsor scholarly, professional, and creative activities. Major sponsors of research at NCA&T are:

- **DOC**  Department of Commerce
- **DOT**  Department of Transportation
- **DTRA**  Defense Technical Reduction Agency
- **DoD**  Department of Defense
- **DOE**  Department of Energy
- **DHHS**  Department of Health and Human Services
- **DHS**  Department of Homeland Security
- **DTRA**  Defense Threat Reduction Agency
- **EPA**  Environmental Protection Agency
- **GSA**  General Services Administration
- **HHS**  US Department of Health and Human Services
- **HUD**  Department of Housing and Urban Development
- **NASA**  National Aeronautics and Space Administration
- **NEH**  National Endowment for the Humanities
- **NIH**  National Institutes of Health
- **NSF**  National Science Foundation
- **NOAA**  National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- **ONR**  Office of Naval Research
- **SBA**  Small Business Administration
- **USAID**  United States Agency for International Development
- **USDA**  United States Department of Agriculture
- **USDE**  United States Department of Education

**FEDX:** Federal Express

**FY:** Fiscal Year

**GA:** Grants Administrator

**GAN:** Grant Award Notification

**HBCU:** Historically Black Colleges and Universities

**IQID:** Indefinite Quantity Indefinite Delivery

**Investigator/Project Coordinator/Research Staff:**
This title designates key personnel for a project, but without the oversight responsibility of a Lead Principal Investigator or co-principal investigator. Faculty members may be listed as Investigators if their role on the study is not that of PI or Co-PI.

**Lead PI: Lead Principal Investigator:**
The individual primarily responsible for the conduct of a research study. This responsibility includes the direction of research activity, management of personnel and administrative requirements, and adherence to relevant policies and regulations (institutional, state and federal).

*If you are a Master’s or PhD student submitting your thesis or dissertation for IRB approval, you may be listed as the Lead Principal Investigator. Your thesis or dissertation chair/advisor should be listed as the advisor on your IRB application. Undergraduate students working on a senior thesis or other class research project, may list themselves as the Principal Investigator. The faculty member who is advising on the research should be listed as faculty advisor.*

**LOI:** Letter of Intent
**Mentor:**
A counselor and guide that influences students’ behavior, habits and performance and shares academic and professional protocol, knowledge and skills. (Gregory D. Goins, PhD)

**MTDC**  Modified Total Direct Cost

**NCE:**  No Cost Extension

**NOI:**  Notice of Intent

**OSP:**  Office of Sponsored Programs

**PD:**  Project Director

**PI:**  Principal Investigator

**R&D:**  Research & Development

**RAMSES:**  Research Administration Management System & Electronic Submission
Electronic system used by most UNC institutions for administration of sponsored programs including proposal submission, authorization and award.

**RFAs / RFPs / RFQs:**
Requests for Applications / Requests for Proposals / Requests for Quotations
Solicitations for applications, proposals or price quotations by sponsor organizations.

**SF:**  Standard Form

**SO:**  Signing Official

**SPO:**  Sponsored Program Office

**Sponsor:**
An organization that provides external funding to finance scholarly, professional, and creative activities through such funding instruments as grants, contracts, cooperative agreements or other agreements deemed appropriate by the UNC Board of Governors.

**Sponsored Programs:**
Scholarly, professional, and creative activities that are funded by external organizations.

**STEM:**  Science, Technology, Engineering and Math

**TDC:**  Total Direct Costs

**VC:**  Vice Chancellor
Office of Research Compliance & Ethics

AAALAC: Association for Assessment and Accreditation for Laboratory Animal Care, Intl

ABSL: Animal Biosafety Level

ACAP: Animal Care Application
System for online submission and tracking of animal research protocols, notifying investigators of committee findings after review.

ACUP: Animal Care and Use Program

APHIS: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA

AV: Attending Veterinarian

AWA: Animal Welfare Act

AWRs: Animal Welfare Regulations

BMBL: Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories

BSC: Biosafety Cabinet

BSL: Biosafety Level

BSO: Biosafety Officer

CITI: Collaborative IRB Training Initiative:
Training modules offered through the University of Miami

COI: Conflict of Interest

Compliance Officer:
The administrator responsible for overseeing the research compliance committees.

EAR: Export Administration Regulations for export control

ECCN: Export Control Classification Number or product number

Export Control:
U.S. federal laws and regulations that regulate the export of strategically important products, services and technologies to foreign persons.

FOIA: Freedom of Information Act

FWA: Ferderal Wide Assurance
The Institutional Review Board certification filed with DHHS/ Office of Human Research Protections

GLP: Good Laboratory Practices

HEPA: High Efficiency Particulate Air (Filter)
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Bayh-Dole Act:
Adopted in 1980, the legislation gave universities, small businesses, and non-profits intellectual property control of their inventions and other intellectual property that results from federal funding.

CAGE Code: Commercial and Government Entity Code (7N746)
CED: Center for Entrepreneurial Development (NC)
CEO: Chief Executive Officer
CFO: Chief Financial Officer
C of C: Chamber of Commerce
COIN: Center of Innovation in Nanobiotechnology
COO: Chief Operating Officer

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CSO: Chief Scientific Officer
DUNS: Data Universal Number System (071576482)
FEC: Fully Executed Copy
G&A: General & Administration Fee (= F&A)
GEDA: Greensboro Economic development Alliance
GMA: Greensboro Merchants Association
ID/IQ: Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity

Inter-Institutional Agreement (IIA):
Must be used when University materials are co-owned or licensed with another university.

IP: Intellectual Property
LES: Licensing Executives Society

License:
Legal permission granted by the owner to allow another party to use the intellectual property.
License Agreement:
Provides the company certain rights to University Intellectual Property, in return for commercialization efforts and payments to the University.

Licensee:
A for-profit, privately held company to which the University licenses or assigns intellectual property rights in University-owned technology.

Material Transfer Agreements (MTA):
Are used when University materials are transferred to a company or another university for further evaluation or development.

MOU: Memorandum of Understanding

NAICS: North American Industry Classification System (611310)

NCBC: North Carolina Biotechnology Center

NCE: Nussbaum Center for Entrepreneurship

NCMBC: North Carolina Military Business Center

NCMF: North Carolina Military Foundation

Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) or Confidential Disclosure Agreement (CDA):
A legal contract to protect information considered to be proprietary or confidential. The parties agree not to disclose information covered by the agreement.

OA: Office Action (by USPTO examiner)

OED: Office of Economic Development

OCI: Organizational Conflict of Interest

OTT: Office of Technology Transfer

Patent:
Grant of property rights on new, useful, and non-obvious inventions by the U.S. Government through the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). The grant of a patent excludes others from making, using, selling, offering to sell, or importing the invention in the United States. Additional information on patents and trademarks can be found at www.uspto.gov.

PEC: Partially Executed Copy

Prior Art:
The total body of knowledge including publications and patents, which teaches or otherwise relates directly to an invention. This is the primary criterion in determining the patentability of a new invention.

Provisional Patent Application:
A strategy to preserve your rights for one-year during which a decision must be made whether to file a regular patent application. A Provisional Patent Application is not examined but must serve as the priority date for later-filed applications.

PTP: Piedmont Triad Partnership
Public Disclosure:
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Reps & Certs: Representations & Certifications
SBIR: Small Business Innovation Research
SBTDC: Small Business Technology Development Center
SIC: Standard Industrial Classification (8221)
SM: Salesmark
SOW: Statement of Work
SSTI: State Science & Technology Institute
STO: Science & Technical Officer
STTR: Small Business Technology Transfer Research
T2S: Technology Transfer Society
TA: Teaming Agreement
TM: Trademark:
Registered Trademark: ®:
Protection given to any distinctive word, name, symbol, or device, or any combination used, in commerce to identify and distinguish the goods of one manufacturer or seller from goods manufactured or sold by others.

Trade Secret:
Protection given to a formula, process, device, or other business information that is kept confidential to maintain an advantage over competitors.

UEDA: University Economic Development Association
USPTO: United States Patent & Trademark Office