PI Portal was designed by PIs, for PIs. The system provides PIs and their delegates the ability to view all of their research data in one place. Now PIs and their delegates can also complete, execute, and submit Invention Disclosure Forms, Software Disclosure Forms, and Associated Technology Disclosure Forms to the UCLA Technology Development Group (TDG).

Hints and Tips to using PI Portal:

1. All required questions for the forms **must** be completed in order to submit.
2. Email notifications will be sent to the Lead, Primary Contact, and Form Creator on submission of each form.

### Roles and Permissions related to PI Portal Invention/Software/Technology Forms

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<td>The Lead Inventor, Lead Software Author, or Lead Creator of Associated Technology</td>
<td>• View/edit forms and attachments where they are listed as the Lead &lt;br&gt; • Submit forms where they are listed as the Lead &lt;br&gt; • Execute forms where they are listed as the Lead</td>
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<td><strong>Creator</strong></td>
<td>The person who created the form</td>
<td>• View/edit forms and attachments they have created &lt;br&gt; • Submit forms they have created</td>
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<td><strong>Primary Contact</strong></td>
<td>The person listed on the form as Primary Contact (via checkbox)</td>
<td>• View/edit forms and attachments where they are listed as the Primary Contact &lt;br&gt; • Submit forms where they are listed as the Primary Contact &lt;br&gt; • Execute forms where they are listed as the Primary Contact</td>
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<td><strong>Collaborating Inventor/ Author/ Creator</strong></td>
<td>Any other person listed on the form as another Inventor, Author, or Creator</td>
<td>• View forms and attachments where they are listed &lt;br&gt; • Execute forms where they are listed</td>
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<td><strong>TDG</strong></td>
<td>Member of the UCLA Technology Development Group that reviews forms</td>
<td>• View all forms and attachments</td>
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2A. PI Portal Invention Disclosure Forms: Login and Navigation


2A-02 Navigate to the My Inventions Tab, and then to the Invention Reports Subtab. Use the Create New Report/Group to start a new report:

2A-03 This will open a screen describing the types of reports and asking you to choose which report you would like to add – Invention, Software, or Associated Technology:

2A-04 Complete the fields in each page of the form, using the navigational tools to progress. Please note the following characteristics of the forms:

1. **Title and Lead Inventor** are required before the form can be fully saved. Until those two minimally viable elements are entered, you will see the Exit button, as well as a “Not yet saved” indicator:

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**Note:**
- For questions, please call us at (310) 794-0588, email us at innovation@tdg.ucla.edu, or visit Submit An Invention/FAQs.
- Additional reports can be added to this Report Group by using the ‘Add Report to Group’ button.

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2. Once the minimum viable fields are completed, the Exit button becomes Save and Exit, and all pages in the form are active. At this point, you can use the following features to navigate from page to page or exit the form:
   A. Back
   B. Next
   C. Save and Exit
   D. Page Navigation

2B. PI Portal Invention Disclosure Forms: Smart Features

2B-01 Inventors/Software Authors/Associated Technology Creators (“Personnel”)

Information that is available from UCPath will be automatically pulled into the form once the individual is identified.

When navigating to the Personnel page, if you indicate that you are the Lead, PI Portal will populate your UCPath information into the Lead fields:
For all Personnel, there is a handy **search field** that allows you to search by Name or UID to find the individual. Once the individual is identified, PI Portal will populate the UCPath information associated with that individual into the corresponding fields:

There is a button at the bottom of the Personnel screen that allows you to **add as many individuals as needed**. The search feature and automated data population for all person-related fields is available for every individual that is added to a form:

### 2B-02 Funding Information

Information from extramurally funded research projects tracked in the Proposal and Award Tracking System (PATS) associated with all Personnel listed on a form are available for selection in the Funding Support & Third Party Materials Used page (“Funding”). When a project is selected, the relevant Title, PI, Sponsor, Grant/Contract Number, and Administering Department are **automatically populated** in the form for your convenience:

There is a button at the bottom of the Funding section that allows you to **add as many funding sources as needed**. The drop-down and automated data population for all funding fields is available for every funding source that is added to a form:
2B-03  **Attachments**

There is a maximum attachment size of 20MB for the total of all documents attached to each form. This is because the forms are submitted to UCLA Technology Development Group (TDG) via email, and the email system has this limitation. PI Portal keeps track of the total size of the attachments on your forms, and **warns you when the limit is exceeded**. This helps to ensure successful submission of your forms to TDG.

PI Portal also keeps track of and provides a warning for documents with **duplicative names**, to help avoid uploading the same document more than once.

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**5. ATTACHMENTS**

You may upload attachments that add up to 20MB in size. Please contact innovation@tdg.ucla.edu to coordinate file sizes or total submissions over this limit.

![Attachment Upload Interface](image)

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2B-04  **Dates**

Any time you see a date field, it will have a **smart calendar** feature so that you can easily identify the correct date. Click the calendar icon to pop up the feature – you can use the month/year selectors and click on the numeric date to populate the field.

![Smart Calendar Feature](image)

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2B-05  **Required Fields**

Required fields are identified with a **red asterisk**:

![Required Field Indicator](image)
Some fields are **conditionally required**—that is, required ONLY if another question is answered a certain way. These fields are not marked with a red asterisk, but based on the language of the related questions, it should be clear when the conditional field is required:

### Was the Invention developed at/with any of the following?

- Using materials received from a third party under an **MTA** (e.g., equipment, cell lines, antibodies, software).
  - If yes, please indicate the (1) material name, (2) provider and (3) material transfer agreement number.
  - This field is required because I have checked the box indicating I used materials from a third party provider under an MTA. If I had not checked the box, this field would not be required.

If any required fields (whether marked with a red asterisk or conditionally required) are not completed, the form cannot be submitted to TDG until the fields are completed.

PI Portal provides several helpful features to indicate what fields need to be completed, and help facilitate completing your form, on the **Review and Submit** page:

- **A.** If any required fields need to be completed, there will be a **message at the top** of the page
- **B.** If any required fields need to be completed, the **Submit button is disabled**
- **C.** Each required field that is not completed is marked with a **red indicator** and a link to edit the field
- **D.** Each field whose requirement has been met is marked with a **green indicator**
2C. PI Portal Invention Disclosure Forms: Submission

2C-01 Submitting the Invention Disclosure Form:

When all required fields are completed and your Form is ready to submit to TDG, navigate to the Review and Submit page, and click the Submit button at the top:

If you are submitting a Software Disclosure Form or an Associated Technology Disclosure Form, you will see a confirmation window pop up. Software and Associated Technology Disclosure Forms require all UCLA Personnel listed on the form to Execute an Assignment Form, which can be done electronically in PI Portal by all Personnel who are UCLA employees.

- Click “I’m not ready” to cancel the submission.
- Clicking “Submit” will automatically notify TDG and route the form to all UCLA Employees listed on the form for Execution:

If you are submitting an Invention Disclosure Form, Personnel will not have to Execute an Assignment Form is not done.

Once you click Submit on the Invention Disclosure Form, or click Submit in the confirmation pop-up for the Software Disclosure Form or Associated Technology Disclosure Form, you’ll see this message confirming that your form is being submitted:
Email Notifications

Once a form has been submitted, the following email notifications are sent:

Submission Notification: Notifies the recipients below that the form has been submitted. Includes the form itself and all attachments.
- TDG
- Lead
- Primary Contact
- Person who created the form

Execution Notification (Software and Associated Technology Disclosure Forms only): Notifies the UCLA Employee that execution of an assignment form is requested.

2D. PI Portal Invention Disclosure Forms: Execution of Assignment

Executing Assignment: Navigating to the Form – Via Email Link

Each UCLA Employee whose Execution of Assignment Form is requested on a Software or Associated Technology Disclosure Form will be sent an email from PI Portal with a link to the form.

The Subject is in the format: Execution Notification: Lead Author/Creator Last Name Report Group ID Type of Form (Software or Associated Technology)

The body of the email looks like the example below, and includes a link to the form for the Signer to click:
The Disclosure form referenced below has been submitted to TDG, and your execution is requested. Please click on the following link (authenticate using your UCLA Single Sign On credentials) to execute the Assignment:

http://piportalut.research.ucla.edu/Inventions/Reports/view/?id=0abf5265-95f3-4074-a991-14cf9bfe9d3a

When completed and submitted, this Disclosure becomes a legally signed document which may be relied upon during patent prosecution. A detailed description of this invention should not be divulged to sponsors or others without first consulting TDG. Sponsors whom the University may owe rights in patents will be notified of this invention in confidence by the University.

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<td>Lead</td>
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If you have any questions prior, please email innovation@tdg.ucla.edu.

Clicking on the link will bring the Signer to the PI Portal login page, where the individual’s UCLA Single Sign-On credentials should be entered:

Sign In with your UCLA Logon ID

Your UCLA Logon ID

Your UCLA Logon Password

SIGN IN

- Forgot your UCLA Logon ID or Password?
- Need a UCLA Logon ID?

Or

Are you a member of UCLA Health Sciences?

Sign in with your Mednet username and password

Once the Signer is logged in, he/she will be automatically directed to the form requiring Execution of Assignment.

2D-02 Executing Assignment: Navigating to the Form – Via PI Portal Navigation

A UCLA Employee whose execution of assignment is requested on a form can log into PI Portal: https://piportal.research.ucla.edu/

Clicking the Sign In button brings the Signer to the PI Portal login page, where the individual’s UCLA Single Sign-On credentials should be entered:
Once logged in, the Signer can navigate to the My Inventions Tab and then to the Invention Reports Subtab.

If there is a form that requires execution by this individual, there will be an “Execute” action in the Actions column for that form. Only an individual whose execution is requested will see this Execute button. Clicking the Execute button will bring the Signer to the form requiring Execution of Assignment.

### Executing Assignment – Review and Execute

When the Signer has been brought to the form requiring his/her execution, the top of the form indicates the execution progress (who has already executed, whose execution is still pending):

The Signer should scroll down to review the form. In the Attachments section, the Signer will have access to open and review all attachments. Once the review is complete, the Signer can use the **Execute** button at the bottom of the form to Execute the Assignment Form:
Once the execution is complete, the Signer will be brought back to the Invention Reports Subtab under My Inventions, and a Disclosure Execution Completed message will appear. The Execution Progress will also be updated to reflect the execution (e.g., 1 of 1 execution is complete).

2E. PI Portal Invention Disclosure Forms: Groups

2E-01 Adding Forms to Report Groups:

Once your form has been created, you can create additional forms that are related to each other. For example, if you have an Invention that also has a Software component, you can complete both an Invention Disclosure Form and a Software Disclosure Form and relate them to one another by placing them within the same Report Group.

There are two ways to create a form that is related to another form:

1. From inside the form, use the + Add Report to this group button:
2. From the main Invention Reports screen, use the + Add Report to this group button at the top of the report group with which you want the form to be associated:

Both of these methods bring you to the same next screen – the screen where you choose which type of form to add to the Report Group. When you make your selection, click Next, and begin filling out the fields. Remember that your new form will not be saved until you fill out the minimum viable required fields (Title and Lead):

You can add another report to a Report Group at any time, before or after the other forms in the group have been submitted to TDG. The forms in a group are submitted separately even though they are related to each other, and can be filled out/submitted/executed in parallel.
The main Invention Reports Subtab under My Inventions is where you can find information about forms that are in draft, are waiting for Execution, or have been submitted to TDG. There are several useful features in this screen that provide information about the forms:

A. Report Group ID
B. Type of Report (Invention, Software, Associated Technology)
C. Title
D. Lead
E. Status (Draft, Submitted)
F. Submitted Date (Date the report was submitted, if applicable)
G. Execution Progress (X of Y: X number of executions completed, Y number of executions requested)**
H. Actions for Lead, Creator, and Primary Contact:
   • Draft Status: Edit, Delete
   • Submitted Status: View, Download
H. Actions for Signers: Execute, Download

** Execution of the Assignment Form can only be done by UCLA Employees in PI Portal. Execution Progress counts those UCLA Employees who have executed as X, and the UCLA Employees who are requested to execute as Y. Only the individual Signer can execute their own assignment – this action cannot be delegated to another individual on behalf of the Signer.

Viewing Forms in Report Groups – Report Form

All forms in a Report Group are accessible from within any form, via the left page navigation. If you are editing or viewing a form, all the other forms in that same group are visible in the left page navigation:

A. Draft forms can be edited, and appear blue
B. Submitted forms can be viewed but not edited, and appear gray
C. Click on the title of the form to view it or edit it
D. Icons next to the title of the form indicate the type of form
Invention
Associated Technology
Software