



Startup NASA

NASA's Technology Transfer Program offers a unique opportunity to startup companies to help get their businesses off the ground. Our Startup NASA initiative helps address two of the biggest challenges faced by startup companies: raising capital and securing intellectual property rights.

Hold on to your money. Get a head start.

By offering a license with no up-front costs for commercial use



of our patented technologies, we're letting companies hold on to their cash while securing the intellectual property needed to carve out competitive market space.

- **These technologies have been vetted for technical and commercial viability by NASA and external sources.**
- **Patents are maintained and protected by the U.S. Government.**
- **NASA technical personnel and facilities can be available to lend additional support through a Space Act Agreement.**

Of course, a few rules apply:

- NASA waives the initial licensing fees, and there are no minimum fees for the first three years. Once the company starts selling a product, NASA will collect a standard net royalty fee.
- Startup licenses are non-exclusive. However, NASA also negotiates exclusive licenses for its technologies for a fee.
- Terms of the Startup license are offered "as is"—they're non-negotiable.
- Companies entering into these licenses are bound by all requirements in federal licensing statutes and NASA policies, including development of a commercialization plan and reporting on efforts to achieve practical application.
- While NASA does license to foreign entities, this start-up agreement is only available to companies in the U.S.



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BRINGING NASA TECHNOLOGY DOWN TO EARTH

Getting started is simple:



- 1 Find a technology:**
technology.nasa.gov/patents
- 2 Complete an online application using NASA's Automated Technology Licensing Application System (ATLAS)**

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