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Event in Washington, DC Dec. 1

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Deerfield, IL —This year marks the 30th anniversary of the Bayh-Dole Act. This legislation changed fundamentally the way America develops technologies from federally funded university research and effectively secured the country's leadership position in innovation.

As a result of Bayh-Dole, more than 6,000 new U.S. companies formed from university technologies, approximately 5,000 new products are on the market, 153 new drugs, vaccines or in vitro devices are protecting public health, and in just nine years 279,000 new jobs were created as part of a \$187 billion dollar impact on U.S. gross domestic product.

AUTM, joined by the American Council on Education, Association of American Universities, Association of Public and Land-grant Universities, and Biotechnology Industry Organization, is celebrating the occasion with an event in Washington, DC on the morning of Wednesday, December 1. The first half of the event will include remarks from original congressional sponsors of the Act, such as Sen. Birch Bayh. Sen. Bayh and Rep. John Conyers will comment on the importance of maintaining Bayh-Dole to secure America's leadership position in innovation for the future.

The second half of the event will be a panel discussion among business, university and policy leaders who will discuss the current impact of the Bayh-Dole Act and how to build upon the success of the Act going forward and will be moderated by former Rep. Jim Greenwood, CEO of BIO (Biotechnology Industry Organization).

Members of the news media and the public are invited, and coverage of the event is welcome. For more information about the event, contact Jodi Talley, AUTM Communications Director, at +1-847-559-0846 or jtalley@autm.net.

WHAT: Event to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Bayh-Dole Act

DETAILS: Wednesday, Dec. 1, 10 a.m. to noon at the Washington Convention Center
801 Mt. Vernon Place, NW, Washington, DC, Room 140

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Visit www.B-D30.org

About the Event Organizers

Founded in 1918, ACE (www.acenet.edu) is the major coordinating body for all the nation's higher education institutions, representing more than 1,600 college and university presidents, and more than 200 related associations, nationwide.

The Association of American Universities (www.aau.edu) is an association of 61 U.S. and two Canadian research universities organized to develop and implement effective national and institutional policies supporting research and scholarship, graduate and professional education, undergraduate education, and public service in research universities.

Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (www.aplu.org) is an association of public research universities, land-grant institutions, and state university systems, founding in 1887. A·P·L·U member campuses enroll more than 3.5 million undergraduate and 1.1 million graduate students, employ more than 645,000 faculty members, and conduct nearly two-thirds of all academic research, totaling more than \$34 billion annually. As the nation's oldest higher education association, A·P·L·U is dedicated to excellence in learning, discovery and engagement.

The Association of University Technology Managers (www.autm.net) is a nonprofit organization with an international membership of more than 3,000 technology managers and business executives. AUTM members — managers of intellectual property, one of the most active growth sectors of the global economy — come from more than 300 universities, research institutions and teaching hospitals as well as numerous businesses and government organizations.

BIO (www.bio.org) represents more than 1,100 biotechnology companies, academic institutions, state biotechnology centers and related organizations across the United States and in more than 30 other nations. BIO members are involved in the research and development of innovative healthcare, agricultural, industrial and environmental biotechnology products.

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