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Statement of Researcher to Harvard University

I, _____, am a researcher in the _____
laboratory at Harvard University.

Recognizing that the research conducted in my laboratory has the potential to contribute to the creation of important life-saving medicines and/or medical technology,

Desiring that university technology patenting and licensing can have a significant impact on the availability and price of these medicines,

Recognizing Harvard's Statement on Policy in Regard to Inventions, Patents and Copyrights - "ideas or creative works produced at the University should be used for the greatest possible public benefit."¹,

Recognizing that Harvard University endorsed the 'Stanford White Paper,'² agreeing to the following principles:

- 1) "We have a responsibility to try to alleviate [suffering from preventable diseases], including finding a way to share the fruits of what we learn globally, at sustainable and affordable prices, for the benefit of the world's poor."
- 2) "Universities should strive to construct licensing arrangements in ways that ensure that these underprivileged populations have low- or no-cost access to adequate quantities of these medical innovations."

As a research scientist at Harvard University, I wish to express that the products of my research should reach everyone. I believe global access should be a priority in licensing technologies and medicines produced by Harvard laboratories to ensure that people across the globe will be able to benefit from my research.

Signed.

¹ <http://otd.harvard.edu/resources/policies/patent/>

² <http://news-service.stanford.edu/news/2007/march7/oifs/whitpaper.pdf>