**Intellectual Property Statement**

While it is recognized that the results of university research are, in the vast majority of cases, reported to the public through various professional channels, it is possible that some investigators may conclude that best use of their findings will require patenting.

The University requires that all inventions emanating from Kettering University, regardless of the source of support, be reported in a prescribed manner in order that possible third-party proprietary interests may be identified.

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