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## What is an Invention Disclosure Form?

The Invention Disclosure Form, also often referred to as a "disclosure", is the first step in the patent process. It is an important document, signed by all the inventors, that is used to record what has been invented (the embodiment of the invention) and the circumstances under which the invention was made. The Invention Disclosure Form provides the basis for determining the patentability and commercial utility of the invention.