

## Standard-Essential Patents and Pooling

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### Broad Institute Joins Discussions to create CRISPR patent pool

**July 10, 2017:** The Broad Institute of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard University has joined discussions to create a non-exclusive joint licensing pool for CRISPR-Cas9, a genome editing technology. The licensing pool would be administered by MPEG LA, a provider of one-stop licenses for standards and other technology platforms. MPEG LA previously invited holders of CRISPR-Cas9 patents to participate in the creation of a global CRISPR-Cas9 Joint Licensing Platform. The Broad Institute submitted 22 United States and European CRISPR-Cas9 patents for inclusion in this joint licensing pool. (See <https://www.broadinstitute.org/news/broad-institute-mit-and-harvard-joins-discussions-create-worldwide-crispr-cas9-licensing-pool>.)

### MPEG LA Issues call for Patents Essential to the ATSC 3.0 Standard

**August 3, 2017:** MPEG LA has requested submission of patents essential to the ATSC 3.0 set of standards for next-generation television. These ATSC standards address mobile television, enhanced personalization and interactivity, advanced signal and data delivery, efficient spectrum usage, and enhanced video features. MPEG LA has invited parties to submit patents essential to the ATSC 3.0 standards by September 8, 2017, if they wish to participate in the initial meeting for the creation of a joint ATSC 3.0 License.

(See

<http://www.mpegla.com/Lists/MPEG%20LA%20News%20List/Attachments/107/ATSC%203.0%20PrsRls.pdf>.)

### Aqua Licensing establishes IP Investor Pool

**August 2, 2017:** Aqua Licensing, a patent advisory and transaction firm, has created an IP Investment Pool. Startups may purchase patents to improve their defensive position and to contribute to their long-term growth and value potential. Startups submit business plans to the pool, and are offered intellectual property in exchange for equity during venture funding. The IP Investment Pool includes 60,000 patents covering a wide variety of technologies and contributed by major technology companies including AT&T, Entegris Inc., Rambus Inc., and Lenovo Group Limited. (See <http://aqualicensing.com/ip-investor-pool>.)